

Chronic Disease Prevention

3. The board of health shall work with school boards and/or staff of elementary, secondary, and post-secondary educational settings, using a comprehensive health promotion approach, to influence the development and implementation of healthy policies, and the creation or enhancement of supportive environments to address the following topics:
 - Healthy eating;
 - Healthy weights;
 - Comprehensive tobacco control;
 - Physical activity;
 - Alcohol use; and
 - Exposure to ultraviolet radiation.These efforts shall include:
 - a. Assessing the needs of educational settings; and
 - b. Assisting with the development and/or review of curriculum support
4. The board of health shall use a comprehensive health promotion approach to increase the capacity of workplaces to develop and implement healthy policies and programs, and to create or enhance supportive environments to address the following topics:
 - Healthy eating;
 - Healthy weights;
 - Comprehensive tobacco control;
 - Physical activity;
 - Alcohol use;
 - Work stress; and
 - Exposure to ultraviolet radiation.These efforts shall include:
 - a. Conducting a situational assessment in accordance with the Population Health Assessment and Surveillance Protocol, 2008 (or as current); and
 - b. Reviewing, adapting, and/or providing behaviour change support resources and programs
5. The board of health shall collaborate with local food premises to provide information and support environmental changes through policy development related to healthy eating and protection from environmental tobacco smoke.
6. The board of health shall work with municipalities to support healthy public policies and the creation or enhancement of supportive environments in recreational settings and the built environment regarding the following topics:
 - Healthy eating;
 - Healthy weights;
 - Comprehensive tobacco control;
 - Physical activity;
 - Alcohol use; and
 - Exposure to ultraviolet radiation.
7. The board of health shall increase the capacity of community partners to coordinate and develop regional/local programs and services related to:
 - Healthy eating, including community-based food activities;
 - Healthy weights;
 - Comprehensive tobacco control;
 - Physical activity;
 - Alcohol use; and
 - Exposure to ultraviolet radiation.These efforts shall include:
 - a. Mobilizing and promoting access to community resources;
 - b. Providing skill-building opportunities; and
 - c. Sharing best practices and evidence for the prevention of chronic diseases
8. The board of health shall provide opportunities for skill development in the areas of food skills and healthy eating practices for priority populations.

9. The board of health shall ensure the provision of tobacco use cessation programs and services for priority populations.
10. The board of health shall collaborate with community partners to promote provincially approved screening programs related to the early detection of cancers.
11. The board of health shall increase public awareness in the following areas:
 - Healthy eating;
 - Healthy weights;
 - Comprehensive tobacco control;
 - Physical activity;
 - Alcohol use;
 - Exposure to ultraviolet radiation;
 - Benefits of screening for early detection of cancers and other chronic diseases of public health importance; and
 - Health inequities that contribute to chronic diseases.These efforts shall include:
 - a. Adapting and/or supplementing national and provincial health communications strategies; and/or
 - b. Developing and implementing regional/local communications strategies
12. The board of health shall provide advice and information to link people to community programs and services on the following topics:
 - Healthy eating;
 - Healthy weights;
 - Comprehensive tobacco control;
 - Physical activity;
 - Alcohol use;
 - Screening for chronic diseases and early detection of cancers; and
 - Exposure to ultraviolet radiation

Prevention of Injury and Substance Misuse

2. The board of health shall work with community partners, using a comprehensive health promotion approach, to influence the development and implementation of healthy policies and programs, and the creation or enhancement of safe and supportive environments that address the following:
 - Alcohol and other substances;
 - Falls across the lifespan;
 - Road and off-road safety; and may include
 - Other areas of public health importance for the prevention of injuries as identified by local surveillance in accordance with the Population Health Assessment and Surveillance Protocol, 2008 (or as current).
3. The board of health shall use a comprehensive health promotion approach to increase the capacity of priority populations to prevent injury and substance misuse by:
 - a. Collaborating with and engaging community partners;
 - b. Mobilizing and promoting access to community resources;
 - c. Providing skill-building opportunities; and
 - d. Sharing best practices and evidence for the prevention of injury and substance misuse.
4. The board of health shall increase public awareness of the prevention of injury and substance misuse in the following areas:
 - Alcohol and other substances;
 - Falls across the lifespan;
 - Road and off-road safety; and may include
 - Other areas of public health importance for the prevention of injuries, as identified by local surveillance in accordance with the Population Health Assessment and Surveillance Protocol, 2008 (or as current).These efforts shall include:
 - a. Adapting and/or supplementing national and provincial health communications strategies; and/or
 - b. Developing and implementing regional/local communications strategies.

Reproductive Health

2. The board of health shall work with community partners, using a comprehensive health promotion approach, to influence the development and implementation of healthy policies and the creation or enhancement of supportive environments to address:
 - Preconception health;
 - Healthy pregnancies; and
 - Preparation for parenting.These efforts shall include:
 - a. Conducting a situational assessment in accordance with the Population Health Assessment and Surveillance Protocol, 2008 (or as current); and
 - b. Reviewing, adapting, and/or providing behaviour change support resources and programs.
3. The board of health shall increase public awareness of preconception health, healthy pregnancies, and preparation for parenting by:
 - a. Adapting and/or supplementing national and provincial health communications strategies; and/or
 - b. Developing and implementing regional/local communications strategies.
4. The board of health shall provide, in collaboration with community partners, prenatal programs, services, and supports, which include:
 - a. Consultation, assessment, and referral; and
 - b. Group sessions.
5. The board of health shall provide advice and information to link people to community programs and services on the following topics:
 - Preconception health;
 - Healthy pregnancies; and
 - Preparation for parenting.
6. The board of health shall provide, in collaboration with community partners, outreach to priority populations to link them to information, programs, and services.

Child Health

4. The board of health shall work with community partners, using a comprehensive health promotion approach, to influence the development and implementation of healthy policies and the creation or enhancement of supportive environments to address:
 - Positive parenting;
 - Breastfeeding;
 - Healthy family dynamics;
 - Healthy eating, healthy weights, and physical activity;
 - Growth and development; and
 - Oral health.These efforts shall include:
 - a. Conducting a situational assessment in accordance with the Population Health Assessment and Surveillance Protocol, 2008 (or as current); and
 - b. Reviewing, adapting, and/or providing behaviour change support resources and programs.
5. The board of health shall increase public awareness of
 - Positive parenting;
 - Breastfeeding;
 - Healthy family dynamics;
 - Healthy eating, healthy weights, and physical activity;
 - Growth and development; and
 - Oral health.These efforts shall include:
 - a. Adapting and/or supplementing national and provincial health communications strategies; and/or
 - b. Developing and implementing regional/local communications strategies.

6. The board of health shall provide, in collaboration with community partners, parenting programs, services, and supports, which include:
 - a. Consultation, assessment, and referral; and
 - b. Group sessions.
7. The board of health shall provide advice and information to link people to community programs and services on the following topics:
 - Positive parenting;
 - Breastfeeding;
 - Healthy family dynamics;
 - Healthy eating, healthy weights, and physical activity;
 - Growth and development; and
 - Oral health.
8. The board of health shall provide, in collaboration with community partners, outreach to priority populations to link them to information, programs, and services.

Infectious Diseases Prevention and Control

4. The board of health shall work with community partners to improve public knowledge of infectious diseases of public health importance and infection prevention and control practices in the following areas:
 - Epidemiology of infectious diseases of public health importance that are locally relevant;
 - Respiratory etiquette;
 - Hand hygiene;
 - Vaccinations and medications to prevent or treat infectious diseases of public health importance;
 - Infection prevention and control core competencies, incorporating both Routine Practices (including personal protective equipment) and Additional Precautions (transmission-based precautions); and
 - Other measures, as new interventions and/or diseases arise.These efforts shall include:
 - a. Adapting and/or supplementing national and provincial health communications strategies; and/or
 - b. Developing and implementing regional/local communications strategies.
5. The board of health shall participate on committees, advisory bodies, or networks that address infection prevention and control practices of, but not limited to, hospitals and LTCHs, which shall include consultation on the development and/or revision of:
 - Infection prevention and control policies and procedures;
 - Surveillance systems for infectious diseases of public health importance; and
 - Response plans to cases/outbreaks of infectious diseases of public health importance.
6. The board of health shall work with appropriate partners to increase awareness among relevant community partners, including correctional facilities, health care and other service providers of:
 - The local epidemiology of infectious diseases of public health importance;
 - Infection prevention and control practices; and
 - Reporting requirements for reportable diseases, as specified in the Health Protection and Promotion Act.

Rabies Prevention and Control

5. The board of health shall work with community partners to improve public knowledge of rabies and its prevention in the community by supplementing national/provincial education/communications strategies and/or developing and implementing regional/local communications strategies based on local epidemiology.

Tuberculosis Prevention and Control

4. The board of health shall engage in health promotion and policy development activities with community partners, policy-makers, and health care providers that have clients/contacts from priority populations based on local epidemiology.

Sexual Health, Sexually Transmitted Infections, and Blood-borne Infections (including HIV)

4. The board of health shall increase public awareness of the epidemiology, associated risk behaviours, risk factors, and risk reduction strategies related to healthy sexuality, sexually transmitted infections, and blood-borne infections by:
 - a. Adapting and/or supplementing national and provincial health communications strategies; and/or
 - b. Developing and implementing regional/local communications strategies.
5. The board of health shall use a comprehensive health promotion approach to increase the community capacity regarding the promotion of healthy sexuality, including the prevention of adolescent pregnancies, sexually transmitted infections, and blood-borne infections, by:
 - a. Collaborating with and engaging community partners and priority populations;
 - b. Mobilizing and promoting access to community resources;
 - c. Providing skill-building opportunities; and
 - d. Sharing best practices and evidence.
6. The board of health shall collaborate with community partners, including school boards, to create supportive environments to promote healthy sexuality and access to sexual health services.

Vaccine Preventable Diseases

3. The board of health shall work with community partners to improve public knowledge and confidence in immunization programs by:
 - a. Supplementing national and provincial health communications strategies; and/or
 - b. Developing and implementing regional/local communications strategies.Topics to be addressed shall include:
 - The importance of immunization;
 - Diseases that vaccines prevent;
 - Recommended immunization schedules for children and adults and the importance of adhering to the schedules;
 - Introduction of new provincially funded vaccines;
 - Promotion of childhood and adult immunization, including high-risk programs;
 - The importance of maintaining a personal immunization record for all family members;
 - The importance of reporting adverse events following immunization;
 - Reporting immunization information to the board of health as required;
 - Vaccine safety; and
 - Legislation related to immunizations.
4. The board of health shall promote the reporting of adverse events following immunization by health care providers to the local board of health in accordance with the Health Protection and Promotion Act.
5. The board of health shall provide a comprehensive information and education strategy to promote optimal vaccine management, including storage and handling practices, among health care providers in accordance with the Vaccine Storage and Handling Protocol, 2008 (or as current). This shall include:
 - One-on-one training at the time of cold chain inspection;
 - Distributing information to new health care providers who handle vaccines; and
 - Providing ongoing support to existing health care providers who handle vaccines.
6. The board of health shall provide consultation to community partners to develop immunization policies (e.g., workplace policies) based on local need and as requested.

Food Safety

4. The board of health shall ensure food handlers in food premises have access to training in safe food-handling practices and principles in accordance with the Food Safety Protocol, 2008 (or as current).
5. The board of health shall increase public awareness of food-borne illnesses and safe food-handling practices and principles in accordance with the Food Safety Protocol, 2008 (or as current) by:
 - a. Adapting and/or supplementing national and provincial food safety communications strategies; and/or
 - b. Developing and implementing regional/local communications strategies.

Safe Water

6. The board of health shall provide information to private citizens who operate their own wells, cisterns, rain or lake water system to promote their awareness of how to safely manage their own drinking-water systems.
7. The board of health shall provide education and training for owners/operators of drinking-water systems in accordance with the Drinking Water Protocol, 2008 (or as current).
8. The board of health shall increase public awareness of water-borne illnesses and safe drinking water use by:
 - a. Adapting and/or supplementing national and provincial safe drinking water communications strategies; and/or
 - b. Developing and implementing regional/local communications strategies.
9. The board of health shall provide education and training for owner/operators of recreational water facilities in accordance with the Recreational Water Protocol, 2008 (or as current).

Health Hazard Prevention and Management

3. The board of health shall increase public awareness of health risk factors associated with the following health hazards:
 - Indoor air quality;
 - Outdoor air quality;
 - Extreme weather;
 - Climate change;
 - Exposure to radiation; and
 - Other measures, as emerging health issues arise.These efforts shall include:
 - a. Adapting and/or supplementing national and provincial health communications strategies; and/or
 - b. Developing and implementing regional/local communications strategies.
4. The board of health shall assist community partners to develop healthy policies related to reducing exposure to health hazards. Topics may include but are not limited to:
 - Indoor air quality;
 - Outdoor air quality;
 - Extreme weather; and
 - Built environments.