

*"Reconciliation is about maintaining and forging relationships. There are no shortcuts"*

- Justice Murray Sinclair, Chief Commissioner of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada

The Saskatoon Health Region acknowledges that we are on Treaty Six territory and homeland of the Métis. The First Nations and Métis people are traditional caretakers of this land; we pay our respects to the keepers of this land.

*We commit to fostering and maintaining respectful relations with all First Nations and Métis people.*

*We commit to the adoption of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples as the framework for reconciliation*

Saskatoon Health Region recognizes that First Nations and Métis people have a holistic view of health and well-being, including traditional medicines and practices that have existed since time immemorial. Health and well-being includes the emotional, physical, mental, and spiritual aspects of an individual.

*We commit to honoring the traditional worldview, knowledge and practices of First Nations and Métis people for health and well-being.*

Saskatoon Health Region recognizes that residential schools have had a serious impact on the health and well-being of First Nations and Métis people across Canada. These harms related to health must be addressed through constructive action within Saskatoon Health Region.

*We commit to providing culturally safe care to all of our patients, clients and residents.*

*We commit to increasing the number of First Nations and Métis employees within the Saskatoon Health Region.*

Saskatoon Health Region acknowledges the pain, loss, and dislocation caused by the residential school system on individuals, families, communities and nations.

*We commit to increasing the cultural competency and cultural safety training opportunities for all Saskatoon Health Region employees.*

*We commit to continuing to find constructive ways of implementing the Calls to Action outlined by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada, June 2015 that are relevant to health and healthcare.*

Saskatoon Health Region offers many programs and services that are in alignment with the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Actions including: First Nations and Métis Health Service, cultural competency training and workshops, translation services, and Elder and Residential School support staff. We recognize that we can improve these areas to work towards achieving better health for all First Nations and Métis people.