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ANNUAL REPORT

Ontario Network of Sexual Assault/ Domestic Violence Treatment Centres

ONTARIO NETWORK OF SEXUAL ASSAULT AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE TREATMENT CENTRES

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WELCOME FROM THE DIRECTOR

SHEILA MACDONALD, RN, MN

The 2020-2021 fiscal year was unprecedented against the backdrop of the COVID-19 pandemic. Our services, our staff and our patients continually adapted as needed as our knowledge increased about the coronavirus.

Courage and compassion were particularly present among healthcare workers. Our front-line clinicians (many of you) worked under increased levels of stress, difficulty, and traumatic circumstances. Healthcare workers were redeployed to unfamiliar patient care areas; many experienced self-isolation due to COVID exposure or faced recovery following a COVID diagnosis. Despite these challenges, thanks to the dedication of our clinicians across the province, those who were in greatest need of accessing our services were still able to do so. Health care heroes for sure!

The challenges of COVID-19 focused the 2020-2021 activities of the Network on increasing support to treatment centre staff, as well as implementing further outreach initiatives to promote public awareness of SA/DVTC services. At provincial treatment centres, clinicians pivoted to ensure services remained accessible by offering virtual care where possible and creating a safe environment for victims/survivors who attended in person.

This annual report highlights many of the Network's activities for 2020-2021, including the impact of the pandemic and our response to ensure timely and comprehensive client care, ongoing staff education and support for clinicians.

Acknowledgment and thank you to our Network team:
Dr. Janice Du Mont, Ed.D. | Senior Research Scientist, Women's College Research Institute
Janelle Noel | Service Coordinator
Dr. Sarah (Daisy) Kosa, Ph.D. | Research Associate
Bria Barton, MPH | Education and Research Associate
Joseph Friedman Burley, MPH | Project Coordinator, Research Assistant
Emily Dickson | Website and Outreach Associate
Angel Najjar, MSc | Research Assistant

Their commitment to supporting all of you has been outstanding and they have been flexible, creative, and responsive in achieving whatever needed to be done.

We hope you enjoy the content of this report. Thank you all for your participation and contributions to these achievements!

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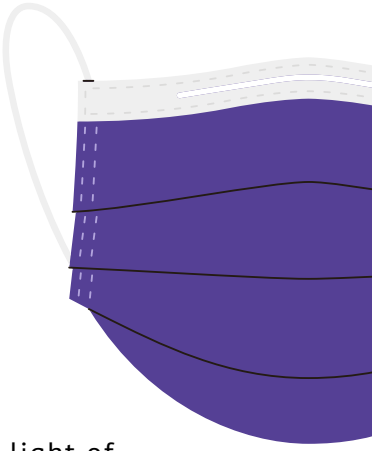
IMPACTS OF COVID-19

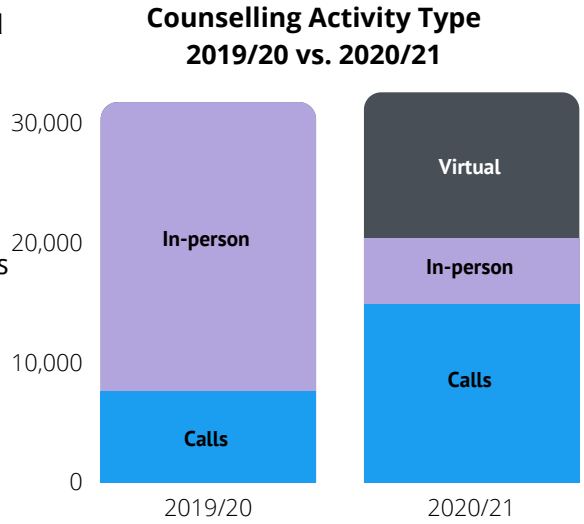


Service Delivery Impacts

Our SA/DVTC clinicians and staff rapidly adapted care protocols for victims/survivors to ensure safety for both our clients and ourselves in light of COVID transmission modes. Enhanced Infection, Prevention, and Control measures as per hospital policy were implemented as well as efforts to limit the time spent with the client without compromising patient care. Clinicians pivoted to maintain service accessibility by providing virtual/phone appointments whenever possible.

Client Impacts

Client volumes were significantly different compared to the previous year. Early in the pandemic (April/May/June), clients seeking care following sexual assault were notably decreased. This may have been due to lockdown measures restricting social gatherings. Anecdotal reports suggested the clients feared coming to the hospital due to concerns of exposure to COVID-19, triggering a shift to more virtual appointments. Beyond acute and non-acute visits, many follow-up activities were conducted virtually. Furthermore, in-person counselling appointments shifted almost completely to virtual methods such as Zoom, OTN, or phone calls.



Categorical Volumes (2019-2020 vs. 2020-2021)

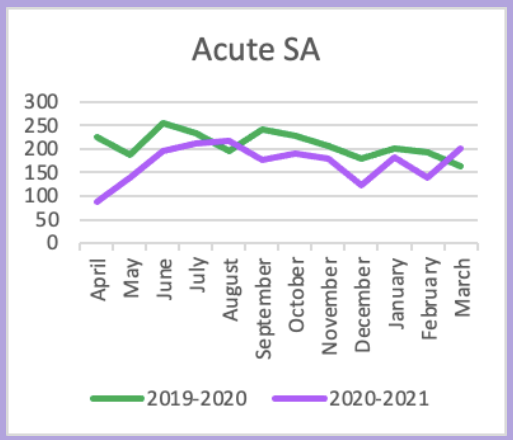


Figure 1. Provincial acute sexual assault volumes were lower in the 2020-2021 year compared to 2019-2020 (p=0.01, Cohen's d=1.15).

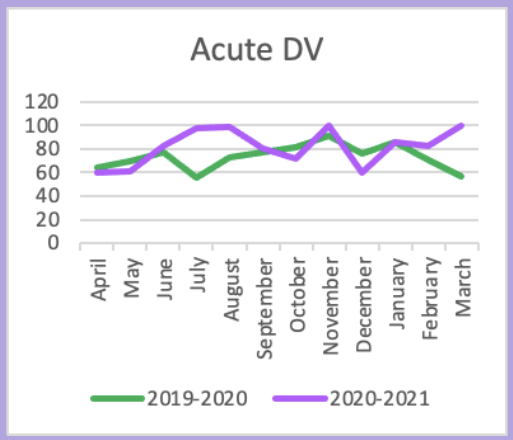


Figure 2. Provincial acute domestic violence volumes were higher in the 2020-2021 year compared to 2019-2020, but this difference is NOT statistically significant (p=0.15, Cohen's d=0.63).

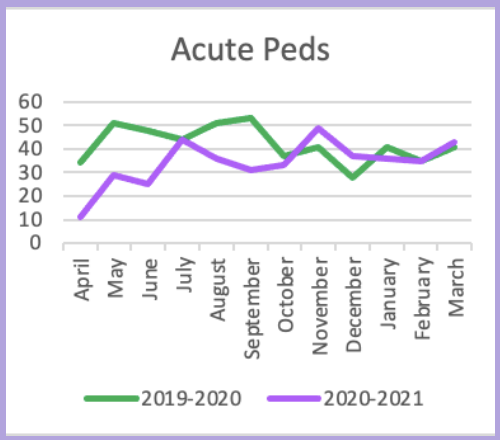


Figure 3. Provincial acute pediatric volumes were lower in the 2020-2021 year compared to 2019-2020 (p=0.05, Cohen's d=0.89).

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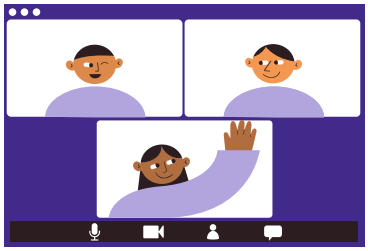
PANDEMIC ADAPTATIONS

BI-WEEKLY CALLS



As the pandemic impacted different regions in numerous ways, the Network prioritized active communication and collaboration. To further understand the impacts to Centres and create space for collaboration, bi-weekly Zoom calls were established. These calls were open to all clinicians and were often well-attended by programs across the province. Clinicians were invited to share what was happening in their community regarding COVID-19 and its impacts on their service and staffing as well as insights or resources gained in adapting to the current situation. In response to the bi-weekly COVID calls, webinars were held at the onset of the third wave. These webinars were focused on the "new normal" and COVID adaptations, with nurses from centres across the province presenting an overview of their consolidated processes in caring for victims/survivors during the pandemic.

RESILIENCY BUILDING SESSIONS

In the spring of 2020, Diana Tikasz, MSW, previously a SADVTC Resilience Specialist, provided a series of bi-weekly support sessions for clinicians, titled Fostering Resilience in Challenging Times. In recognizing pandemic fatigue and the ongoing stress related to balancing work and family life, positive feedback from the Spring sessions prompted the return of virtual support sessions in the Fall of 2020. What about you? Strategies for Building Resilience During Stressful Times continued until March of 2021. Components of the bi-weekly meetings included creating a sense of community among participants, strategies for building resilience, and an opportunity to share insights and further resources. A four-part Program Leader support series was also held from October to February. The two-hour sessions, targeted specifically to Program and clinical leadership, aimed to do the following: increase the support provided to facilitate effective teamwork, reduce social isolation, and identify and reduce the impact of vicarious trauma through strengthened team structure and meetings.

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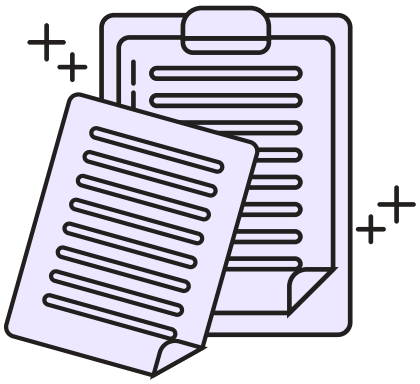
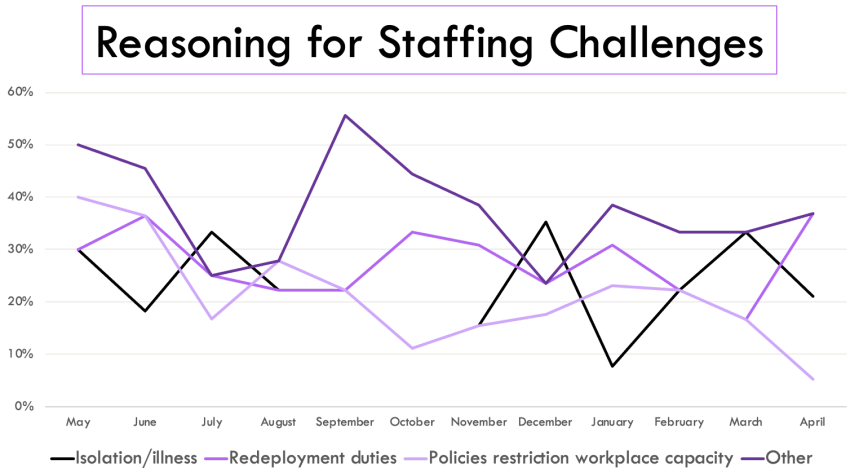
PANDEMIC ADAPTATIONS

STATUS UPDATE SURVEYS



In May 2020, based on insights from the bi-weekly COVID calls, the Network developed a survey for each program to complete monthly, to gain a better understanding of the impact of the pandemic. Some major impacts included client volumes, staffing, and delivery of care, among other issues of concern. Due to the timing of statistical reporting and HIV PEP submissions (collected quarterly), the Network sought a timelier method to obtain status updates. Survey results were tracked month-to-month and shared with program leadership. The reports also became an additional tool to communicate program needs with the Ministry of Health by highlighting areas needing further support.



During the pandemic, staffing challenges varied in different parts of the province. Beyond regional differences, some stages of the pandemic yielded unique circumstances which impacted staffing. Nonetheless, isolation/illness and redeployment were the two main reasons for staffing shortages.

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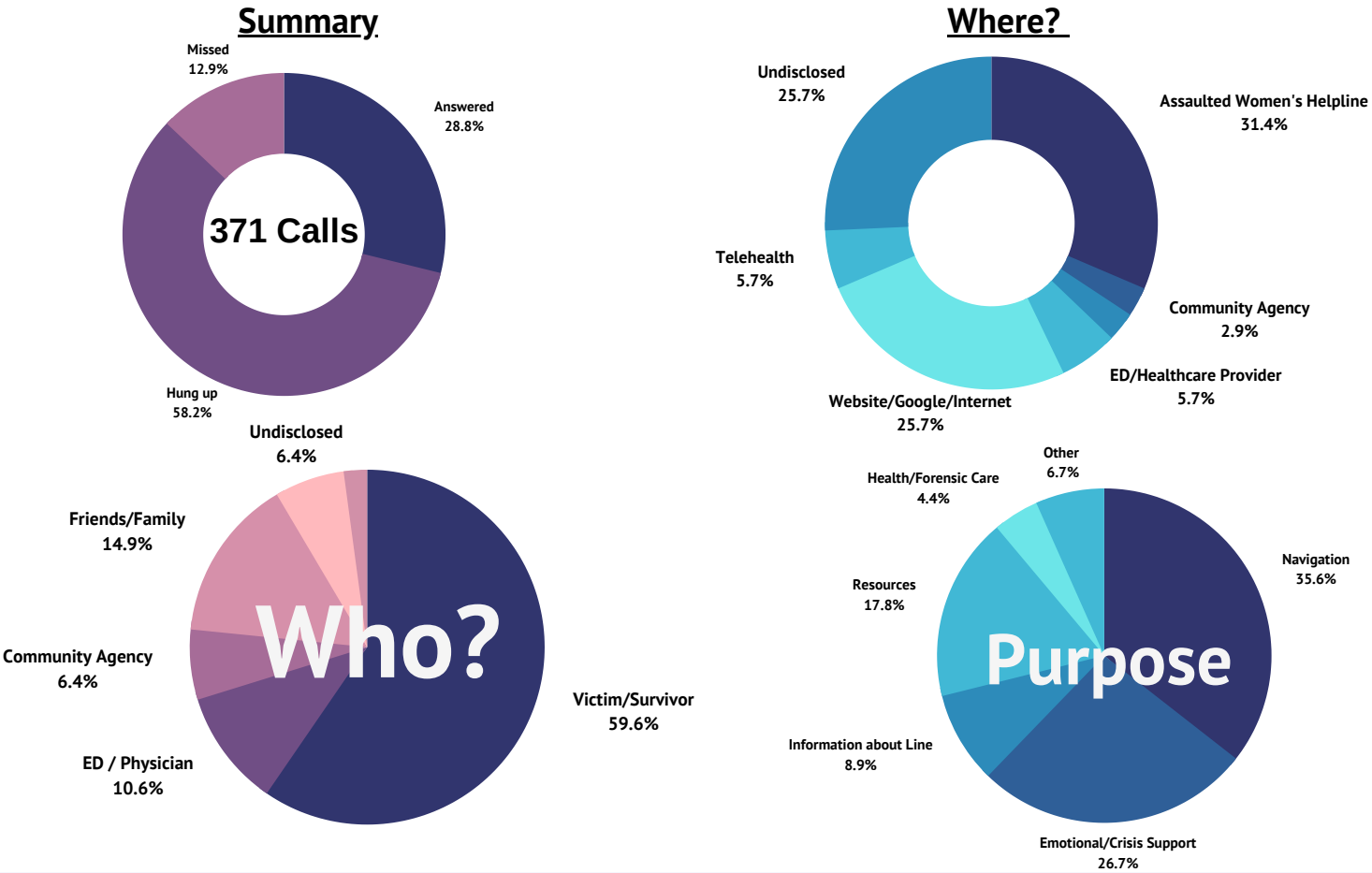
PROVINCIAL NAVIGATION LINE

Recognizing the negative impact of COVID-19 on nurse staffing for the provision of acute/non-acute care, in May of 2020, the Network established a 24/7 Nurse staffed Provincial Navigation Line to assist victims/ survivors of sexual assault/domestic violence in accessing care and treatment. Victims/survivors, health service providers, and first responders were able to call the line and speak with a nurse to help with navigation to the closest SA/DVTC or to provide information. If the caller did not want to speak with the nurse, there was an option to listen to a list of available resources. To help support the use of the line, the Network hosted training sessions with the Ontario Provincial Police, the Assaulted Women's Helpline, and EVA Canada.



Awareness Marketing Campaign

At the end of the year, the Network established a three-part Marketing Plan to promote awareness of the Navigation Line. During part one, all Ontario Community Health Centres and Hospital Emergency Departments were sent an email outlining information regarding the Navigation Line. At the start of part two, the Network customized and ordered promotional items. The rest of this marketing plan includes the distribution of these items in the 2021-2022 year.

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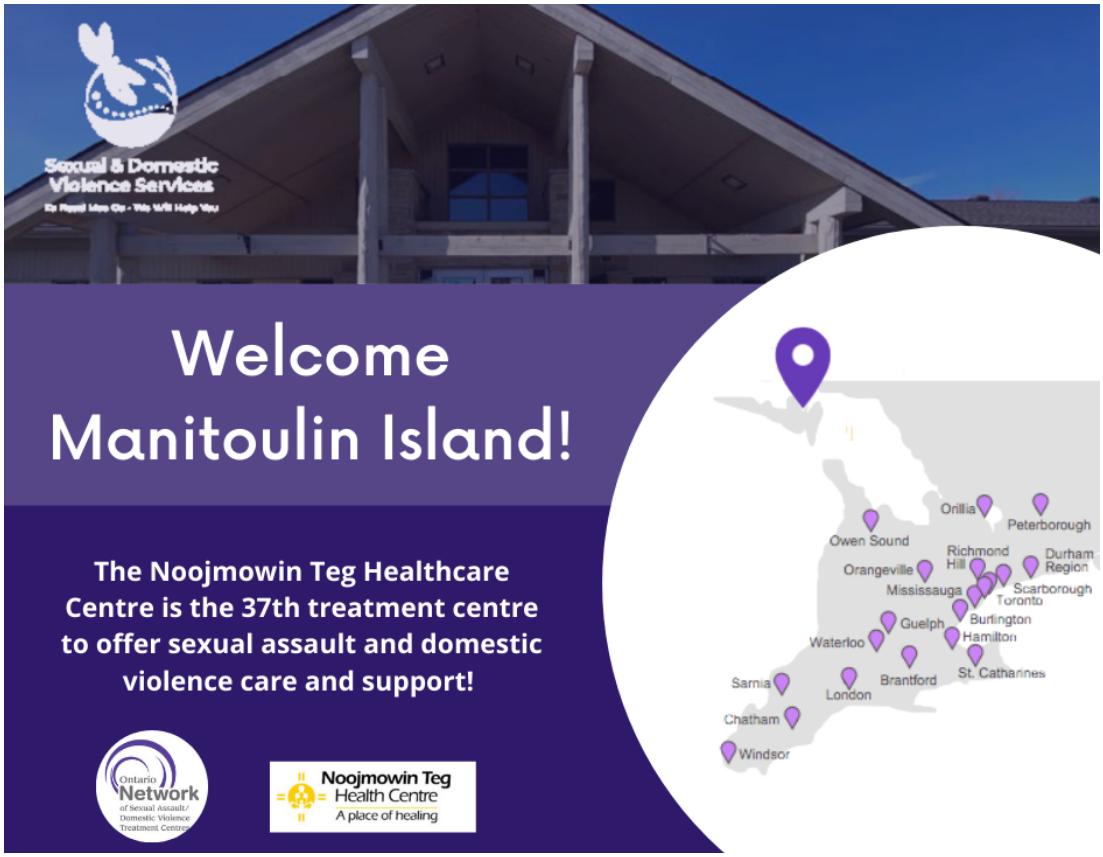
WELCOME TO NOOJMOWIN TEG HEALTH CENTRE IN MANITOULIN

Noojmowin Teg Health Centre on Manitoulin Island received funding to join the Network as a Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Treatment Centre in the spring of 2020. As a community-based health centre, it has a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with two emergency departments on the Island where emergency department services are provided when needed.

The Health Centre provides culturally relevant services and supports a holistic approach to the well-being of Anishnabek peoples within the district of Manitoulin Island and Area. Both traditional and western healing methods have been incorporated through the establishment of strong partnerships with community-based services to support survivors who have experienced sexual and/or domestic violence at any point in their life.

The SA/DV services have been open to patients as of January 22, 2021!



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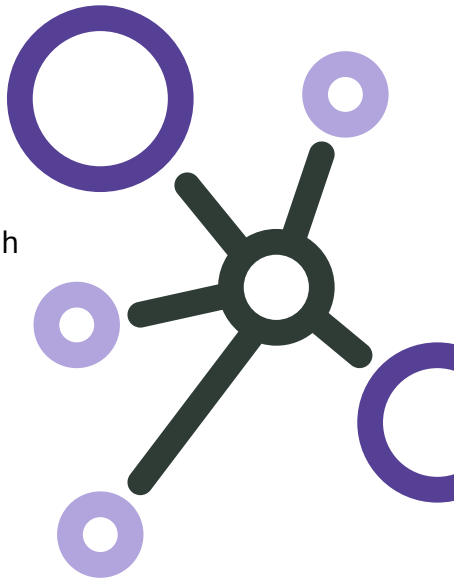
CONNECTING NETWORK CLINICIANS

Nursing Community of Practice

Open to all nurses from the SA/DVTC's, the Nursing Community of Practice met monthly from April to June 2020 with meetings resuming September to March 2021. Meeting agendas and minutes continued to be facilitated by the co-chairs (Tara Leach, Perth and Smith Falls District Hospital & Heidi Holmes, Guelph General Hospital) and shared among nurses on the Community of Practice resource page located on the e-Learning Platform.



Community of Practice initiatives not only included case reviews, but also featured presentations provided by guest speakers, critical literature reviews, identification of future learning needs, and updating Network documentation tools (i.e., client discharge summaries).

Social Work Community of Practice

Open to all SA/DVTC Social Workers, the Social Work Community of Practice met bi-monthly via Zoom. These opportunities strengthen skills through discussing challenges, ideas, and the exploration of opportunities for improvement. Case reviews, presentations, and critical reviews are some of the activities that take place during these meetings. Meeting agendas, minutes, and any resource sharing continue to be facilitated by the co-chairs (Rekha John, Women's College Hospital & Darcy Turner, Women's College Hospital) and shared via email and on the Network Website through the member access portal.

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NURSING EDUCATION

Standardizing Nurse Orientation with Program Educators

Nurse education provided by the Network largely comprises of two key components, namely the Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) Online Modules and the in-person SANE Training. Previous evaluations of the in-person SANE Training, though overwhelmingly positive, did point to a variation in experience levels of attendees and therefore expectations of training outcomes.

Differences in orientation length and components were identified across programs. This prompted an opportunity to standardize orientation for nurses within programs and advance the teachings within in-person SANE Training. An Orientation Plan, complete with competencies, basic orientation objectives, in-person SANE Training objectives, and resources was developed and shared with Program Educators over a two-day meeting. Both meeting days were well attended and feedback from programs was constructive, leading to several plans for initiatives in the future including, monthly workshops to cover orientation topics, a resource page on the e-Learning platform, and an orientation checklist among others.

International Association of Forensic Nursing Virtual Conference

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and restrictions on in-person gatherings, an in-person Clinical Education Forum was no longer feasible and a shift towards virtual education was required. The International Association of Forensic Nursing (IAFN) Virtual Conference held virtual workshops (both live and pre-recorded) available over a 10-week period ending December 1, 2020. The Network supported registration for nurses who attended. Nurses from across the province participated in the conference workshops and provided feedback on the valuable learning experience.

Canadian Symposium on Advanced Practices in Child Maltreatment

The Hospital for Sick Children held a four-day virtual symposium for clinicians between November 30 and December 1, 2020. As the content covered in the first two days was most relevant and beneficial to treatment centre staff, the Network covered registration fees.

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NURSING EDUCATION

Virtual SANE Training

The Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Training, typically held in-person over five days in Toronto, ON, pivoted in significant ways in the 2020-2021 fiscal year. In a virtual format, the five days of content were spread over five weeks. All content was delivered live through webinars, with the opportunity for break-out rooms to facilitate group work, interactive polls or quizzes, and a chat feature to interact with the speaker(s).

In addition, the e-Learning Platform was leveraged to house the training materials such as the course schedule, links to join the webinars, and presentations. A Readiness for SANE Training Quiz was also a newly added feature to the course on the platform, enabling nurses to test their knowledge and identify areas for revision prior to attending Virtual SANE Training.

Savings from expenses related to conference booking fees, travel, and accommodation in Toronto, made it possible for more nurses to attend SANE Training than in previous fiscal years. In total 66 nurses received their SANE Training certificate from 28 treatment centres across the province. Feedback from Virtual SANE Training showed the majority of participants felt the training worked well virtually, including the once-a-week format.

Thank you to our educators for sharing their knowledge and expertise, as well as adapting to virtual training!

Linda Reimer - Mackenzie Health, Tara Leach - Perth and Smith Falls District Hospital, Jennifer Keeler - Trillium Health Partners, Heather Farina - SickKids, Emma Moore - Women's College Hospital (WCH), Darcy Turner - WCH, Michelle Green - WCH, Michelle Bobala - WCH

Northern Nursing Station Education and Support

The Ontario Network of SA/DVTCs received funding from Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada to develop training and online resources needed to help support nursing staff who work in and respond to the survivors of sexual assault in the community. The intent is to ensure survivors of sexual assault receive appropriate, compassionate, and comprehensive care and treatment to address their health, forensic and psycho-social needs. This has been a challenge because of the remote nature of their geographic location, limited resources, and varied experience and training on responding to this type of crisis.

This project will be completed by late Fall, 2021. An Advisory Committee comprised of northern SA/DVTC program leaders and community partners has been established and will work with Bria Barton (Network Education Associate) who is the project lead.

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SOCIAL WORKER EDUCATION

Janina Fischer Series

A part of an ongoing initiative to identify the educational needs of SA/DVTC social workers, the Social Work Community of Practice recognized a growing demand for enhanced training for traumatized clients. Dr. Janina Fischer, Ph.D., was invited to give an interconnected series on Advanced Trauma Therapy Training to address this need.

The sessions ran monthly from November 2020 to February 2021. Each session explored a different topic related to Advanced Trauma Therapy and covered subjects such as alienation from the self as a survival strategy, cultivating empathy, and skills for processing and resolving the traumatic past. The series also explored ways to integrate techniques such as EMDR, IFS, DBT, Sensorimotor Psychotherapy, and other modules into treatment. At the end of each session, Dr. Fischer offered case consultations.

Two-thirds of Network Social Workers were in attendance and provided feedback on the experience. Overall, the feedback from the session was positive. A majority felt the subject matter was appropriate for their level of experience, the series was presented in an appropriate format, and there were plenty of opportunities to ask questions and receive answers. In addition, many indicated the information they learned will enhance the care they provide to victims of sexual assault/domestic violence.

SOCIAL WORKER EDUCATION

Colonial Continuities Workshop with Harjeet Badwall

Broader events co-occurring in the world during the pandemic led to a reflection of the realities faced by many marginalized and racialized populations. In an effort to recognize and improve upon the role of treatment centres and staff in providing care to many of these communities, Harjeet Badwall, Associate Professor at York University's School of Social Work, provided a workshop titled Colonial Continuities: Rupturing the racial logics of the Social Work Profession to the Social Work Community of Practice.

Harjeet's areas of research and teaching focus on race, racism, and whiteness in Social Work, racialized and gender-based violence, interlocking analysis of violence and oppression, Narrative Therapy, ideas, and practice. Harjeet worked in the anti-violence field for many years as a counsellor, community organizer and activist. She was also a counsellor with Women's College Hospital's SADVCC program for over ten years.

The workshop was well attended by more than two-thirds of social workers from across the province and included a critical analysis, opportunities for reflection, group work and considerations for future education. Feedback from the workshop indicated strong interest in future sessions. Creating opportunities to explore this focus is necessary for all treatment centre staff and clinicians. The Network has made a commitment to ensure future opportunities are provided.

Eye Movement Desensitization Reprocessing Consultations (EMDR)

Facilitated by Vicki Vopni, the Network provided Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing (EMDR) consultations to all Network EMDR trained social workers. Social workers were invited to self-register for two consultation sessions, offered monthly. Conducted over Zoom, the sessions were well attended and offered the opportunity for EMDR social workers to further develop their skills and knowledge with this therapeutic intervention.

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E-LEARNING PLATFORM

Pediatric Sexual Abuse/Assault Training Course

Facilitated by Tanya Smith from SickKids in Toronto, the Network offered a Pediatric Sexual Abuse/Assault training course to several Network nurses in two groups over the course of the fall months. Content was delivered through ten interactive modules which included activities such as presentations, literature reviews, online discussions, and live webinars through the Network's e-Learning Platform.

Trans-Affirming Care Online Module Support

As a partner on the trans-LINK Network, the Network provided financial support to all Network nurses in March for the completion of the 1.5-hour Trans-Affirming Care Online Module. This module, from a clinical perspective, offers opportunities for knowledge building and skills development in the provisions of trans-affirming sexual assault care.

Sex Trafficking Online Module for SA/DVTC Clinicians

Recognizing the need to increase identification of, and support for victims of sex trafficking, an online education module is being developed specifically for SA/DVTC clinicians to increase knowledge about sex trafficking and to standardize our approach to care for victims/survivors. An Advisory Committee was established with representation from SA/DVTC clinicians and community members with expertise in this work. Tara Leach, NP with extensive clinical experience supporting this client population is the project lead. The timeline to have the online module available for clinicians is fall, 2021.

Translated Client Information Handouts

In 2020-2021, the Client Discharge handout and the Strangulation Discharge summary were translated into 13 languages to increase the accessibility of SA/DVTC services. The summaries are available to all SA/DVTC clinicians as needed and can be accessed through the Member Area of the Network website.

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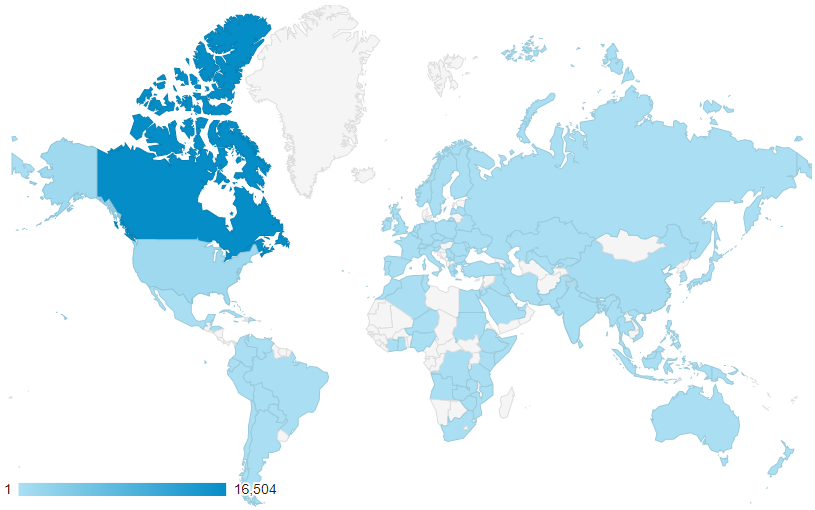
NETWORK WEBSITE



Over 18,000 people visited the website, many for the first time.

The Network website is visited by people all over the world.

However, the majority of our visitors are from Toronto.

Top Website Referrals

1. The Government of Ontario
2. The Assaulted Women's Helpline
3. The Network Facebook Page

Most Visited Page

'Find a Centre'

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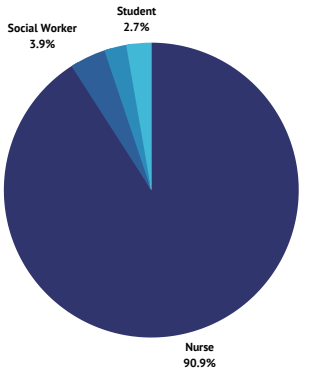
EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT TRAINING

Emergency Department Training

Available on the Network website, our Emergency Department Staff Training module was updated in August. Information was added surrounding our then, recently established, Provincial Navigation Line for Survivors of Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence and training was updated to reflect current information regarding HIV PEP. In addition, the training module was adapted to include provincially relevant resources intending to build capacity across Canada. To date, **726** people have completed this training.

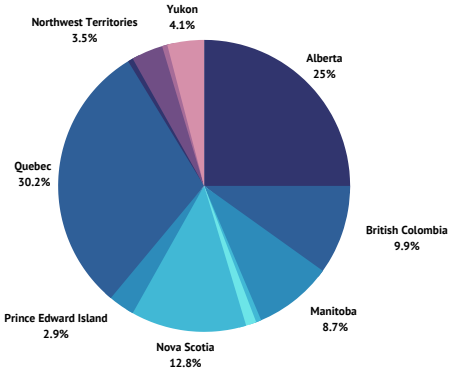
Profession



Other Replies include:

- Ward Clerk
- Teacher
- First Aid Worker
- CSA
- Resident
- Research Assistant
- Psychotherapist
- Civilian
- Victim Services
- University Club Lead

What Province/Territory if not from Ontario?



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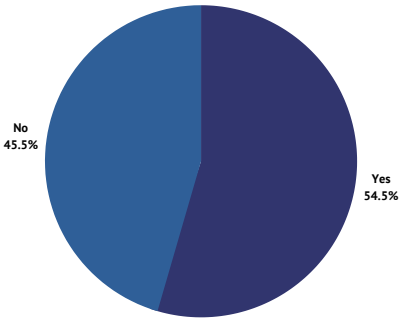

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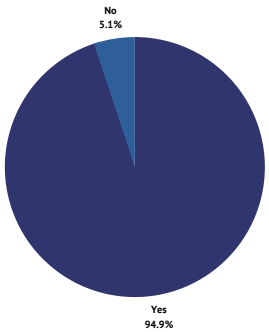
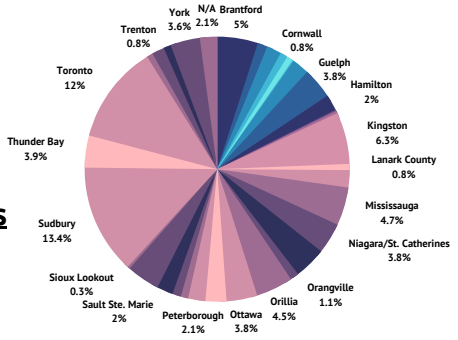


If you work at an ED in Ontario, what SADVTC is nearest to you?



SOCIAL MEDIA & OUTREACH

The Network participated in several awareness campaigns and outreach efforts during 2020. Here are our top highlights of the year.

#SexualAssaultAwarenessMonth

May is Sexual Assault Awareness Month and the Network took to social media to spread awareness and information about the resources available to victims/survivors of sexual assault. The Network take part in Wear Purple Day to honor the first day of Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Furthermore, resources, valuable information, and messages of support were shared throughout the month.

#DomesticViolenceAwarenessMonth

The Network participated in a series of online activities for Domestic Violence Awareness Month in November. With posts referencing the increased rate of domestic violence during COVID-19, messages of support, information, and Network resources such as infographics, posters, and a link to our 'Find a Centre' page on the Network Website were widely shared.

Social Media Engagement

1,058 total page likes

25% of those who engage with content are between the ages of 25 and 34

44 New Followers

The Network was mentioned 215 times by other accounts

4,768 individuals viewed the Network Twitter account

Network Tweets were seen by users more than 105.1K times

617 New Followers

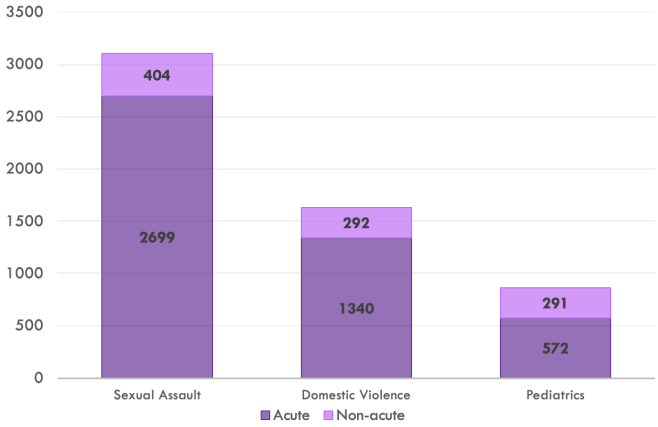
84 Total Likes on Posts

7 Posts

54 New Followers

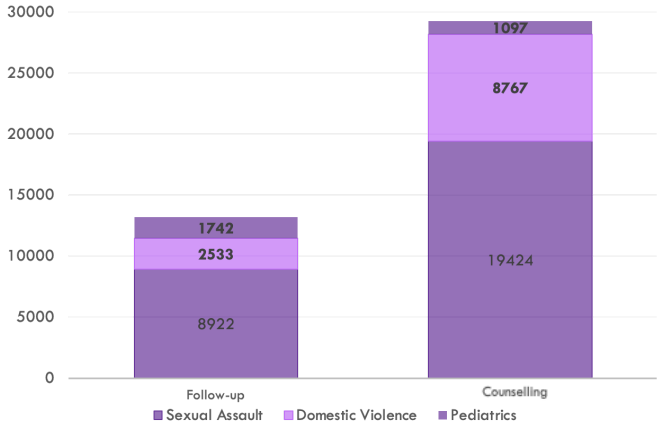
NETWORK STATISTICS

Provincial SA, DV, & Peds Volumes



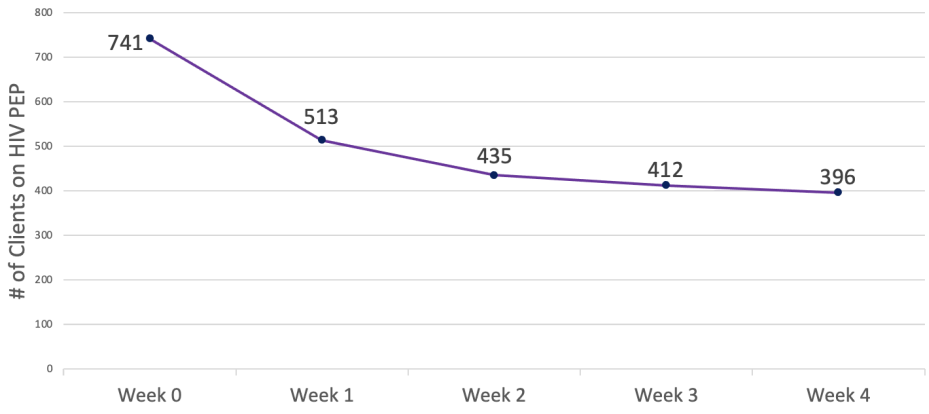
Similar to previous years, acute sexual assault remained the most commonly served client population, followed by acute domestic violence cases, and non-acute sexual assault.

Follow-up & Counselling Volumes



Follow-up and counselling services both maintained a large number of clients seeking care for sexual assault. However, for counsellors, services for domestic violence also remain relatively high.

2020-2021 HIV PEP Statistics



Overall Completion Rate = **53.44%**
Completion Rate (after Week 0 to Week 1 attrition) = **77.19%**

HIV PEP medications were provided to clients, generally in a 4-week cycle. The greatest drop-off occurred from the point of first contact (Week 0) to follow-up in Week 1. Excluding clients who stop HIV PEP in the first week, the average completion rate in the province was 77.19%.

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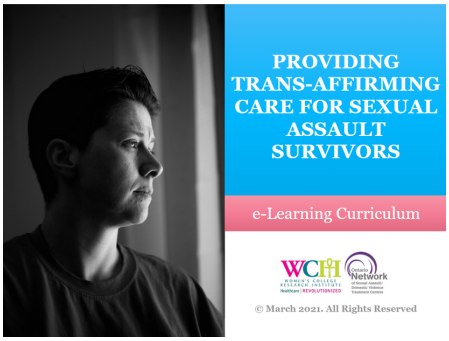
RESEARCH INITIATIVES

The decades-long partnership between the Ontario Network of Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Treatment Centres (SA/DVTCs) and Dr. Janice Du Mont of Women's College Research Institute, Women's College Hospital, has led to many innovations in SANE-led services. Founded on an integrated Knowledge Translation (iKT) approach, the partnership's iterative program of research has advanced knowledge, policy, and practice to optimize care for diverse survivors of sexual assault, intimate partner violence, and elder abuse across Ontario. Integrated KT emphasizes that knowledge users, including Network Program Managers/Coordinators and/or staff, should be involved in all stages of the research process, from initial visioning through to dissemination of the findings. In the past year, this partnership has continued to make significant strides in research in several ongoing projects to enhance the experiences of clients of SA/DVTCs. For a fuller description of the research projects and a list of related publications and products, see: https://www.sadvtreatmentcentres.ca/research-listing/

Enhancing trans-affirming care for sexual assault survivors through capacity building initiatives for SA/DVTC staff and other relevant service providers



As part of the Network's commitment to optimize care for diverse survivors of sexual assault, we have continued to develop and refine innovative curricula focused on enhancing the provision of trans-affirming care for sexual assault survivors. The curricula, one for use in-person and the other an interactive e-Learning, are both evidence-informed, competency-based, and have been developed and evaluated in collaboration with trans community members and their allies. Both include a general introduction to the issue (Key Terms, Experiences of Sexual Assault, and Interactions with Healthcare) as well as core elements for the practice of forensic nursing (Initial Assessment, Medical Care, Forensic Examination, and Discharge & Referral). In-person Curriculum: Following the successful pilot and evaluation of the in-person curriculum, it was updated in December 2020 and launched to the public in March 2021. It is available free on the trans-LINK WebPortal for those wishing to facilitate learning in a group setting. e-Learning Curriculum: We piloted the e-Learning curriculum and drafted a manuscript describing its development and evaluation (in press with Transgender Health). The e-Learning curriculum was then redeveloped in March 2021 to broaden its applicability for other general healthcare and social service providers.

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RESEARCH INITIATIVES

Mobilizing Partnerships to Advance a Provincial Intersectoral Network on Trans-Affirming Practice to Support Sexual Assault Survivors - the trans-LINK Project

Funded by a new Partnership Development Grant from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada and in collaboration with and an Advisory Group of trans community members and their allies, we have continued to build an intersectoral network (the trans-LINK Network) to improve the response to trans sexual assault survivors across Ontario. Negotiating Network Focus and Identity. Through a series of surveys and focus groups with trans community representatives and health and social service providers, we determined the Network's mission, vision, values, and core activities as well as barriers to collaboration. trans-LINK Network WebPortal. Additionally, based on the findings, we established a WebPortal of relevant materials focused on enhancing the response to transgender survivors of sexual assault, including an interactive directory of services and supports, guidelines, toolkits, videos/podcasts, clinical summaries, information sheets, research reports, and our trans-affirming care curricula. Knowledge Translation. Findings were also presented back to trans-LINK Network members during a webinar held May 2020 and through a series of newsletters, research updates have continued to be shared. Research Priorities Surveys on Sexual Assault and Intimate Partner Violence Against Trans People. We developed two surveys using a common and systematic method for determining research priorities originated by the CHNRI. Survey 1 was launched March 2020 through multiple recruitment channels (e.g., Twitter, Facebook, email listservs, trans-LINK Network membership directory). Advocacy Campaign. We held a consultation with trans-LINK Network members and trans peer leaders to discuss the content and strategy for a social media campaign. Analysis of focus group data to inform the campaign took place Winter 2021.

Strengthening the response to Indigenous survivors of acute sexual assault seeking care at SA/DVTCs

Under the leadership of and in collaboration with the Ontario Federation of Indigenous Friendship Centres (OFIFC), we have launched a needs assessment to measure assets and gaps in culturally specific resources, supports, and training as it relates to the provision of care to Indigenous survivors at SA/DVTCs. We finalized a survey in collaboration with the OFIFC in Spring 2020, which included questions about specialized training, resources, culturally specific supports, community consultations, and referral to services that address the unique needs of this group. The survey was made available to all 36 SA/DVTC program leaders over July-August 2020. Data were cleaned and analyzed September-November 2020. A draft containing the data was sent to OFIFC for review and revisions have been suggested.

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LOOKING FORWARD: 2021-2022

As we look ahead to the 2021-2022 year, many exciting activities are on the horizon. We hope to advance the work of the Ontario Network of SA/DVTC's and individual Centres through new initiatives, including the following:

- Translation of client support information
- Strangulation Training for SA/DVTC and ED clinicians
- Completion of Online training module and resources re: Sexual Assault Care at Northern Ontario Nursing Stations
- Publications on our experience with COVID-19 and Statistical Impacts
- Provincial Database Launch (REDCap)
- Continuation of trans-LINK Network project activities, including setting a novel Canadian research agenda on sexual assault and intimate partner violence against trans persons and evaluating the trans-LINK Network using a social network analysis tool called PARTNER

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Brantford | Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Care Team, Brantford General Hospital
Brockville | Assault Response & Care Centre of Leeds and Grenville, Brockville General Hospital
Burlington | Nina's Place, Joseph Brant Hospital
Chatham-Kent | Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Treatment Centre, Chatham–Kent Health Alliance
Cornwall | Assault and Sexual Abuse Program (ASAP), Cornwall Community Hospital
Dryden | Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Program, Dryden Regional Health Centre
Durham Region | Durham Region Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault Care Centre, Lakeridge Health Oshawa
Guelph | Guelph–Wellington County Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Treatment Centre, Guelph General Hospital
Hamilton | Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Care Centre, McMaster University Medical Centre
Hawkesbury | Care Program for Victims of Assault, Hawkesbury and District General Hospital
Kenora | Sexual Assault/Partner Abuse Program, Lake of The Woods District Hospital
Kingston | Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Program, Kingston Health Sciences Centre (Kingston General Hospital)
Lanark County | Lanark County Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Program, Perth and Smiths Falls District Hospital
London | Regional Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Treatment Centre, St. Joseph's Hospital
Manitoulin | Sexual & Domestic Violence Services - Ka Naad Maa Go, Noojmowin Teg Health Centre
Mississauga | Chantel's Place, Trillium Health Partners (Mississauga Hospital Site)
Niagara Region | Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Treatment Program, Niagara Health System (St. Catharines General Site)
North Bay | Sexual Assault Domestic Violence Program, North Bay Regional Health Centre
Orangeville | Headwater Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Care and Treatment Program, Headwaters Health Care Centre
Orillia | Regional Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Treatment Centre, Orillia Soldiers' Memorial Hospital
Ottawa | Sexual Assault Partner Abuse Care Program, The Ottawa Hospital
Ottawa Pediatric | Ottawa Pediatric Sexual Assault, Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario
Owen Sound | Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Care Centre, The Grey Bruce Regional Health Centre
Peterborough | Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Care Centre, Women's Health Care Centre (Peterborough Regional Health Centre)
Renfrew County | Regional Assault Care Program, Renfrew Victoria Hospital
Sarnia | Sexual Assault/Domestic Assault Treatment Centre, Bluewater Health
Sault Ste Marie | Sexual Assault Care Centre/Partner Assault Clinic, Sault Area Hospital
Scarborough | Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Care Centre, Scarborough and Rouge Hospital
Sioux Lookout | Sexual Assault Care and Domestic Violence Treatment Program, Sioux Lookout Meno Ya Win Health Centre
Sudbury | Violence Intervention & Prevention Program, Health Sciences North
Thunder Bay | Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Program, Thunder Bay Regional HSC
Toronto | Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Care Centre Women's College Hospital
Toronto Pediatric | Suspected Child Abuse and Neglect Program (SCAN), The Hospital For Sick Children
Trenton | Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault Response Program, Quinte Health Care (Trenton Site)
Waterloo | Waterloo Region Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Treatment Centre, St. Mary's General Hospital
Windsor | Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence and Safekids Care Centre, Windsor Regional Hospital Metropolitan Campus
York Region | Domestic Abuse and Sexual Assault Care Centre, Mackenzie Health