

# MENTAL HEALTH & ADDICTION STATE OF EMERGENCY UPDATE #5

Atikameksheng Anishnawbek

May 14, 2021

## Community Engagement Virtual Meeting

Ad-Hoc Committee has been established and is a grassroots initiative supported by Leadership. A meeting has been scheduled for May 26, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

You are welcome to attend. A notice with the zoom link has been added to this weeks flyer.

## Government Meetings (provincial and federal)

Several meetings have occurred since the State of Emergency was declared. The Health Team has been meeting and are working on documents to help support funding applications and partnerships.

## Communications Update

**Outreach**—The Team has confirmed a logo “Walking Together” and slogan “Connected by Our Sacred Fire”. and is currently working on the vision, mission for the outreach programs/ services.

**Lobbying**—We have received a list of funding opportunities and will be working with the lobbyist to apply for funds. Work is underway to make applications and working on documents to support funding applications. The lobbyist will present a Fundraising Strategy to the Team to support all initiatives.

## Emergency Response Coordinator—

A Coordinator will be hired to assist the Team in managing both State of Emergencies. The Hiring Committee has been established will be conducting interviews with a recommendation to hire.

## Opioid & Methamphetamine Survey

We are asking for your help in completing this survey. The survey results will assist the Team in accessing funding from government and other organizations. We are seeking 30 adults and 30 youth, each participant will receive a gift certificate and will have the chance to win a Tablet (adults) and Gaming machine (youth).

The survey will be launched in the community soon, 20 to June 1st. If you require a tablet to complete, please contact Lead; Deborah Dumontelle, Health Programs Manager at [healthprograms.manager@wfn.com](mailto:healthprograms.manager@wfn.com).

## Funding Approvals

Atikameksheng Anishnawbek has received the following funds to support the implementation of programs and services to assist with the Emergency;

- ISC at \$300,000.00
- NIB Trust at \$60,000.00 (correct amount)

## Mental Health & Addiction Counselling: *One on One Counselling, Anger Management, Marriage Counselling*

Noojimo Health—provides counselling (MSW) services to all members utilizing the NIHB program so there is no fee. A flyer with contact information is in this weeks flyer.

The Family Enrichment Centre—provides counselling services to all members utilizing the NIHB program so there is no fee. A flyer with the contact information is in this weeks flyer.

Waabishkamiigwan—provides counselling services to all members utilizing the NIHB program. Stephanie can be reached at [www.waabishkamiigwan.com](http://www.waabishkamiigwan.com). A flyer has also been attached also for this week.

Sacred Grounds; Brian Nootchtai—Sacred Fire every Monday 9—1 p.m., James Bolan—Sacred Fire every Thursday 9-1 p.m. and Saturday 9—1 p.m., Lizz Nootchtai Briggs—Ceremonies, teachings, and more.