



CANCER PROJECT IN NUNAVIK AND EEYOU ISTCHEE

2014-2017

GOAL 1:

ENSURE PATIENTS AND FAMILIES FEEL AT HOME WHEN INVOLVED WITH SERVICES

The patient experience is documented and known within services

- Patients have a voice in services
- Services have greatly improved ways of communicating with patients and their families

GOAL 2:

ENSURE PATIENTS AND FAMILIES ARE INVOLVED AND RESPECTED BY BUILDING IN THE INUIT AND EEYOU CULTURAL DIMENSION IN THE DELIVERY OF THE SERVICES

- 1. Each region has a network for cancer services and supports.
 - Has a mandated governance structure in each region for setting overall direction of the cancer file.
 - Links to the Direction québécoise de cancérologie.
- 2. In each region, the regional cancer plan supports the cultural adaptation of services.
- 3. The regions offer training programs on intercultural approaches in services for professionals newly arrived in the region.
 - These are built from needs assessments, training curricula, tool kits, training modules and platforms, etc.
- 4. The regions and their corridor of services operate with guidelines for announcing a cancer diagnosis in a culturally appropriate way.
 - The regions hold workshops to develop and implement these guidelines.
- 5. Each region has developed a training program for interpreters based on needs assessments, terminology development and training curricula.

GOAL 3:

IMPROVE THE COORDINATION OF SERVICES THROUGHOUT THE CORRIDOR OF SERVICES

- 1. The process for referring patients between levels of care is based on formal processes built on signed agreements, with management follow-up and tracking etc.
- 2. The regions work with those organising the corridor of services to set up a system to refer patients to a single window of access.
- 3. The medical information which follows the patient through the various levels of care is standardised and formalised in referral processes.
- 4. The mandate of the nurse pivot is assessed and the role of the nurse pivot is made widely known throughout the networks.
- 5. The regions collaborate through the cancer project team and through larger workshops involving those governing cancer services from each region, along with those organising the corridor of services.



GOAL 4:

STRUCTURE AND DEVELOP THE LOCAL SERVICE OFFER FOR FOLLOW-UP, REHABILITATION AND PALLIATIVE CARE

- 1. The regions along with those organising the corridor of services work to stream-line care and offer it as much as possible close to the patients' homes.
- 2. The regions define potential uses for telemedicine and work to implement them whenever feasible.
- 3. The regions keep an updated inventory of community and psychosocial resources available for patients and their families and ensure these are well known and linked to services.
- 4. In Nunavik, palliative care services are available for patients and their families.
 - In Eeyou Istchee, palliative care services are documented.
- 5. In Eeyou Istchee, a plan and pilot project for an integrated women's clinic for screening breast, cervical and colorectal cancers is organised.