

Committee	Function/Purpose
Closing the Gaps in Indigenous Health Advisory Group	<p>Purpose: To influence and support public health programs, services, and approaches as they relate to urban Indigenous Peoples in order to increase responsiveness to the experiences, needs, knowledges, values and worldviews of urban Indigenous Peoples and promote positive Indigenous health outcomes.</p>
Health for All: Public Health	<p>Purpose: The Health for All – Public Health is a planning group struck to support the development and implementation a Health Equity Action Plan for PPH including PPH CA services. The group supports planning and prioritization of activities, assists change management processes, fosters linkages between working groups, communicates with PPH staff and connects with the Regional Health for All Committee and other PPH bodies (e.g., Practice Councils, PPHOT, etc).</p> <p>Functions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewing the considerations for action in the Health for All: Building Winnipeg’s Health Equity Action Plan report • Supporting health equity learning and engagement opportunities to discuss and generate ideas for action with PPH staff • Incorporate feedback gathered from dialogue with staff and communicating with staff about promoting health equity progress • Recommending key priorities for action and the allocation of required resources Developing, implementing, monitoring and updating the PPH and PPH CA services Health Equity Action Plan
Healthy Public Policy Collaboration Group	<p>Purpose:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To inform the healthy public policy strategic approach within Population & Public Health • To regularly review and update the strategy and approach as appropriate • To guide and enable enhanced action in the area of health public policy practice • To support enhanced WRHA engagement and influence in policy discussions that affect the health of the WHR population • To consider policy issues raised by PPH or Senior Management through consultation or leadership as appropriate • To consider policy referrals from a variety of sources for consultation, triage and

	recommended next steps
<p>Food Security Working Group</p>	<p>Functions: The Working Group is committed to identifying and acting on opportunities for impactful action on food security, building upon the existing PPH Nutrition Promotion Strategic Plan, Community Development Framework, Health For All report, Obesity Prevention Directional document and Healthy Built Environment initiatives. It aims to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain and make available an environmental scan of ongoing local food security action. • Review and consider WRHA priority documents and other action plans and evidence from elsewhere to identify strategic opportunities for action. • Consider value added action that is needed to collectively address barriers and move the Region’s agendas forward. Identify the appropriate level of involvement and action within the WRHA on food security initiatives. • Proactively inquire about actions WRHA could do to help existing food security groups, within parameters of limited resource realities. • Consider evaluative frameworks around food security initiatives and capacity building.
<p>Healthy Built Environment Working Group</p>	<p>Functions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop the Healthy Built Environments Strategic Plan for Population & Public Health • Develop the Healthy Built Environments Action Plan • Facilitate implementation of the Healthy Built Environments Action Plan across Population & Public Health and Community Areas • Foster linkages with other internal and external stakeholders • Respond to relevant legislation including Accessibility for Manitobans Act and others
<p>Health Communications Steering Group</p>	<p>Scope and Function:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide guidance to communications staff • Annually review and update the strategy • Engage all service areas in strategic health communication activities • Implement the logic model • Lead in development of plans for each of the major activities

<p>Population & Public Health Operations Team</p>	<p>Purpose: Provide a forum for Team Managers of direct operations for population public health services to discuss collaborative problem solving and consistent planning. The team’s role is to develop strategies to manage risks and to improve the quality of population public health services and to ensure consistency of standards of services provided throughout the region.</p>
<p>Strategic Directions</p>	<p>Purpose: Provide a forum for information sharing, strategic thinking and input on implementation of current and future strategic priorities. Provide collective advice to PPH Leadership on current and future PPH strategic priorities.</p>
<p>Families First Practice Council</p>	<p>Purpose:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To provide leadership and direction for practice, education, and research. • To advance, develop, and enhance Home Visitor and Public Health Nurse Practice as it relates to the Families First program. • To promote and facilitate the implementation of evidence-informed practice. • To provide an opportunity for systematic and regular review of the delivery of the Families First program in the WRHA and to recommend strategies/practice guidelines that will move the region forward towards meeting the Families First Program Standards (revised February 2011). • To promote consistent delivery of Families First services throughout the Winnipeg Region. • To promote the integration of the Families First program within Population and Public Health continuum of care.

<p>Public Health Nursing Practice Council</p>	<p>Goals: Support and advance public health nursing (PHN) practice across the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority (WRHA) by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promoting the practice of public health nursing as a specialty • Implementing evidence-informed practice • Contributing to exemplary PHN care and improved client outcomes • Being responsive and evolutionary to practice issues and needs <p>Develop and strengthen PHN professional practice environments in the WRHA by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implementing a model of “shared governance,” that integrates collective methods to resolve PHN practice issues and improve client services • Developing a consultative, collaborative, and professional culture • Fostering a healthy work environment by offering opportunities for PHN leadership and input into clinical practice, education, and research • Enhancing the quality of public health nursing practice through communication, capacity building, and ongoing education.
<p>Public Health Nutrition Practice Council</p>	<p>Purpose:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To assure that the practice of public health nutrition meets the highest professional standards and is in keeping with Dietitians of Canada’s Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice, the MAHE Code of Professional Conduct and College of Dietitians of Manitoba Regulations. • To promote evidence based, best practice in the provision of public health services while reflecting the core values and mission of the WRHA and Community Health Services. • To provide leadership and promote collaboration in nutrition practice issues. • To provide a forum for Public Health Dietitians to address and discuss nutrition issues that pertain to population and public health practice. • To facilitate communication between WRHA Public Health Dietitians as well as between other WRHA practice councils

<p>Medical Officer of Health Practice Council</p>	<p>Goals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To provide a regular forum for WRHA MOH’s to discuss and decide on organizational and administrative issues relating to their practice, e.g. assignment of MOH’s to PPH service areas and strategic priorities; arranging cross-coverage for each other; facilitating teaching and supervision of medical students and residents, etc. • To provide a regular forum for MOH’s to consult with their colleagues on the MOH team regarding issues in their practice area; • To provide a forum for ongoing discussion and planning of MOH input into strategic areas which cut across service areas, e.g. public policy and advocacy; To provide a forum for WRHA MOH’s to discuss and provide collective input as a WRHA MOH team into issues being considered for decision by the Provincial MOH team and the Office of the Chief Provincial Public Health Officer; • To promote ongoing professional development and maintenance/enhancement of MOH competencies.
<p>Clinical Nurse Specialists Practice Council</p>	<p>As advanced practice nurses, the CNS group provides an expert voice and leadership for Population and Public Health (PPH) Public Health Nurse (PHN) practice. The CNS role is founded on graduate level education, in-depth nursing knowledge, and clinical proficiency.</p> <p>Purpose</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote excellence in the delivery of PPH clinical practice through the application of advanced knowledge, research methodologies, evidence-informed practice and program evaluation, in accordance with the vision, mission, and values of the WRHA. • Address key clinical issues and program priorities by participating in or directing clinical practice, consultation, education, research, support of systems, publication and professional leadership. • Support ongoing development of PPH clinical practice to promote the health and well-being of populations, groups, families, individuals and systems within the Winnipeg Regional Health Authority (WRHA).