



*Self-determination in
addressing gaps in Métis
service and Community
needs*

NCCIH Presentation

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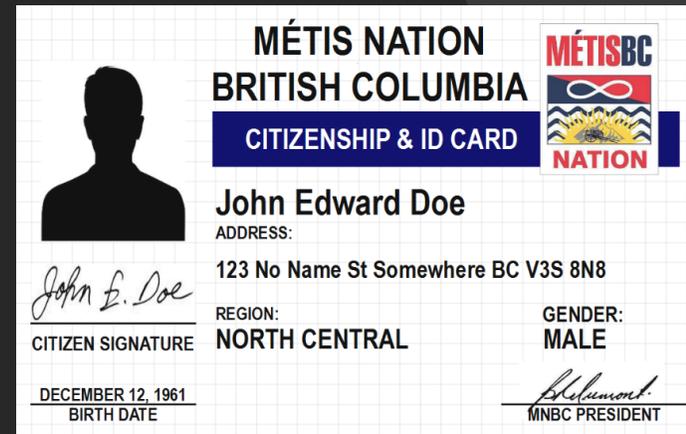
**According to Stats Canada 2016,
4.9% or 1.67 million of all Canadians
identified as Aboriginal.**

**Of that number, 28% (587,545) people
identified as Métis, with
15.2% of Métis living in B.C.**

**89,405 people identify as Métis which is
roughly 1/3rd of the
Aboriginal population in BC**

Métis Nation British Columbia is one of the 5 Governing Members of Métis National Council

- We are a Self-Governing Nation:
- Provincial / Regional elected Board of Directors
 - -89,405 Self identified Métis in BC (2016 Census)
 - -Incorporated in 1996 as Métis Provincial Council of British Columbia (MPCBC)
 - -MNBC Constitution adopted in 2003.
 - -Citizenship Act adopted in 2005.
 - -7 regions in BC
 - -38 Métis Chartered Communities (volunteer based)
 - Nearly 22,000 Métis Citizens registered with MNBC



**MÉTIS NATION
BRITISH COLUMBIA**
CITIZENSHIP & ID CARD

John Edward Doe
ADDRESS:
123 No Name St Somewhere BC V3S 8N8

REGION: **NORTH CENTRAL** GENDER: **MALE**

DECEMBER 12, 1961
BIRTH DATE

John E. Doe
CITIZEN SIGNATURE

Belmont
MNBC PRESIDENT

**MÉTIS BC
NATION**

The individual whose name appears on this card is a CITIZEN of MÉTIS NATION BRITISH COLUMBIA as per the "MNBC CITIZENSHIP ACT".

The Canadian Constitution Act, 1982 provides:

35. (1) The existing aboriginal and treaty rights of the aboriginal peoples of Canada are hereby recognized and affirmed.
(2) In this Act, "aboriginal peoples of Canada" includes Indians Inuit and Métis peoples of Canada

THIS CARD IS THE PROPERTY OF MÉTIS NATION BRITISH COLUMBIA. The bearer of this card shall uphold the constitution of Métis Nation British Columbia.

CITIZENSHIP ID NUMBER
12345678

ISSUE DATE: 12-02-2015
EXPIRY DATE: 12-02-2020



Chartered Communities



- ① Alberni Clayoquot Métis Association
- ② Boundary Métis Community Association
- ③ Cariboo Chilcotin Métis Association
- ④ Chilliwack Métis Association
- ⑤ Columbia Valley Métis Association
- ⑥ Cowichan Valley Métis Association
- ⑦ Elk Valley Métis Association
- ⑧ Fraser Valley Métis Association
- ⑨ Ft. St. John Métis Society
- ⑩ Golden Ears Métis Society
- ⑪ Kelowna Métis Association
- ⑫ Kootenay South Métis Society
- ⑬ Métis Nation Columbia River Society
- ⑭ Metis Nation New Caledonia Society (Vanderhoof)
- ⑮ Mid-Island Métis Nation Association
- ⑯ MIKI'SIW Métis Association
- ⑰ Moccasin Flat's Métis Society
- ⑱ Nelson & Area Métis Society
- ⑲ Nicola Valley & District Métis Society
- ⑳ North Cariboo Métis Association
- ㉑ North East Métis Association
- ㉒ North Fraser Métis Association
- ㉓ North Island Métis Association
- ㉔ Northwest BC Métis Association
- ㉕ Nova Métis Heritage Association
- ㉖ Powell River Métis Society
- ㉗ Prince George Métis Community Association
- ㉘ Prince Rupert & District Métis Society
- ㉙ River of the Peace Métis Society
- ㉚ Rocky Mountain Métis Association
- ㉛ Salmon Arm Métis Association
- ㉜ South Okanagan Similkameen Métis Association
- ㉝ The Métis Nation of Greater Victoria Association
- ㉞ Tri-River Métis Association
- ㉟ Two Rivers Métis Society
- ㊱ Vermillion Forks Métis Association
- ㊲ Vernon & District Métis Association
- ㊳ Waceya Métis Society

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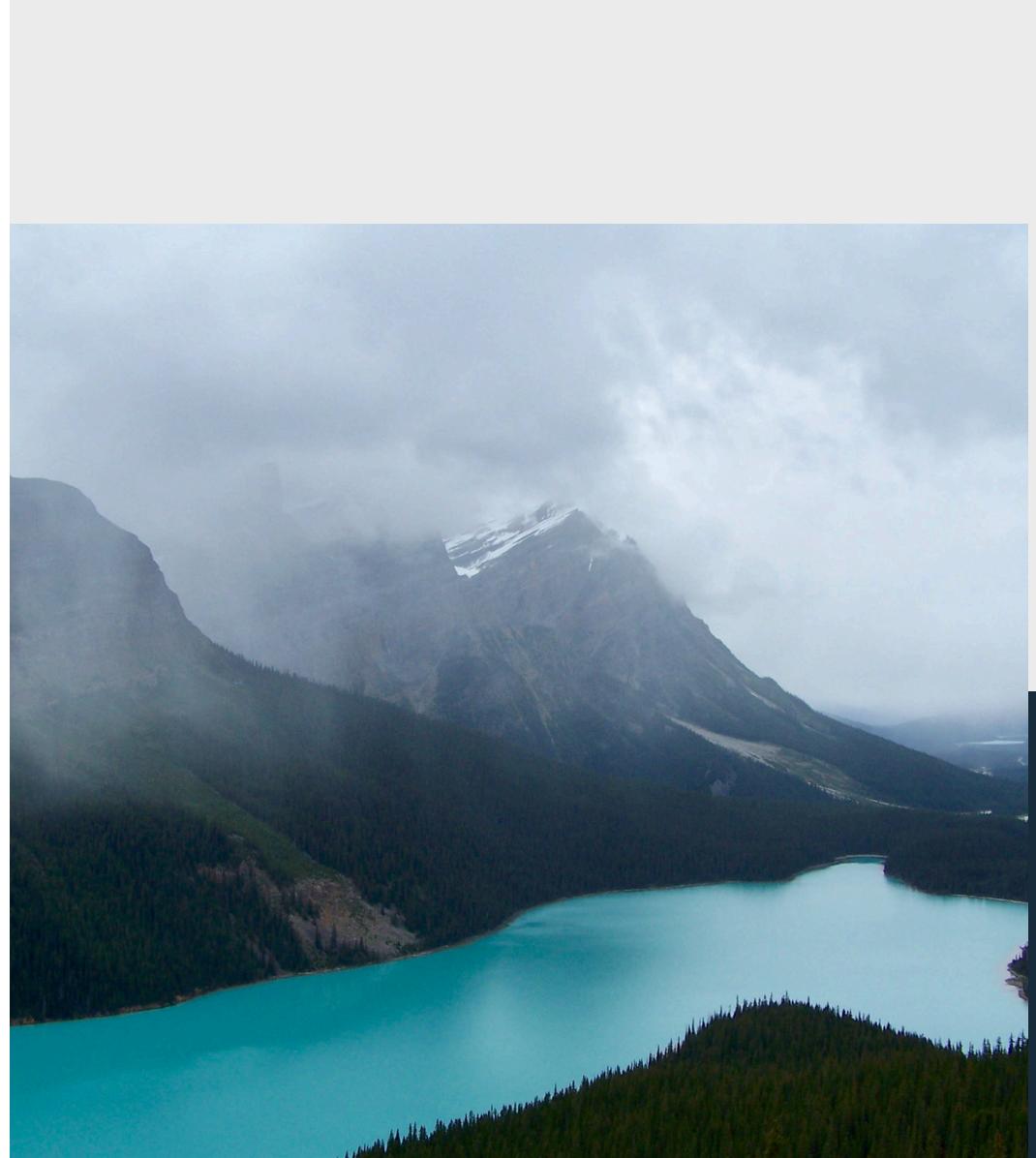
TRC's Calls to Action

19) to **establish measurable goals to identify and close the gaps in health outcomes**, and to publish annual progress reports and assess long-term trends.

20) to address the jurisdictional disputes concerning Aboriginal people who do not reside on reserves, we call upon the federal **government to recognize, respect, and address the distinct health needs of the Métis, Inuit, and off-reserve Aboriginal peoples**

Work supporting these actions is reflected in:

- MOU with the Office of the Provincial Health Officer
- Data sharing under the Métis Public Health Surveillance Program
- Letters of Understanding with regional Health Authorities (IHA, VIHA, FHA and NHA to date).





Métis Public Surveillance Program (MPHSP)

Information Sharing Agreement between MNBC and the Province of BC, establishing a 10yr commitment to surveillance through the PHO's office.

Matching Medical Services Plan (MSP) numbers with Métis Citizenship Card creating a Métis client file.

Allows access to:

- Discharge Abstract Database (DAD)
- PharmaNet
- Vital Statistics.
- Health Systems Matrix
- National Ambulatory Care Reporting System (NACRS)
- COVID-19 Database

*soon accessing Opioid Overdose and Cancer information

MÉTIS NATION BRITISH COLUMBIA

STAND PROUD

SHARE YOUR IDENTITY

SHOW OUR STRENGTH





Chartered Community response to COVID-19

Wave One – immediate need for Community supports and education; hand sanitizer, gloves and temperature strips were acquired. Over 1900 Elders 70+ were called to determine their needs and offer assistance.

MNBC’s health team immediately initiated a weekly Newsletter that supplied up to date information on COVID-19 in one place in plain language. MNBC’s first issue was posted on our website and on our social media on Friday, March 20th and this Friday will be our 42nd Newsletter.

MNBC received Federal dollars and our 38 Métis Chartered Communities were given funding to assist with: grocery cards, prescription costs, hamper drop offs and gas / taxi vouchers as determined by the Community Boards.

MNBC provided rental assistance grants and education grants to assist Métis families in accessing laptops and online learning for students.

Through our Survey and Community input, Wave Two has been supported in a similar fashion.

HAND SANITIZER DISTRIBUTION

Distilleries all across BC have been rising to the challenges presented by the COVID-19 pandemic. Many distilleries are working hard to meet the new demand and are producing and canning hand sanitizer.

MNBC’s Health team has been able to secure large quantities of hand sanitizer from Parallel 49 (pictured below!)

Along with hand sanitizer, we have also secured gloves. Please send your mailing address and contact name and phone number so we can arrange delivery. Please update your email with Marcella (health admin) at health@mnbc.ca





Gathering the Voices of Métis People

Métis Nation British Columbia's Health team was quick to initiate a COVID-19 survey in April.

This survey had over 2400 Métis respondents and helped identify many areas of concern for Métis individuals and families.

This survey was launched months ahead of BC's COVID-19 SPEAK Survey it provided an opportunity for MNBC to be informed of the needs of Métis people by late summer of 2020, well in advance of 2nd wave.

MÉTIS CRISIS LINE



1-833-MÉTIS-BC
(1-833-638-4722)

24 hour access to Crisis Programs

The Métis Crisis Line in collaboration with KUU-US Crisis Services had just been launched mid February, so we were pleased to have immediate Métis / Indigenous support available.

SURVEY DEADLINE: APRIL 30TH - FINAL REMINDER

SURVEY DEADLINE - APRIL 30TH
Are you Métis? How has COVID-19 impacted you?

MNBC's Ministry of Health invites you to take part in a survey at:
<https://questionnaire.simplesurvey.com/s/mnbc-covid19>
Please share how COVID-19 has affected you personally.
It is our goal is to connect with Métis people from across the province and conduct a fulsome needs assessment.

COVID - 19 Survey



People are welcome to find the link on MNBC's webpage www.mnbc.ca or Facebook page. Email covid19@mnbc.ca for more info



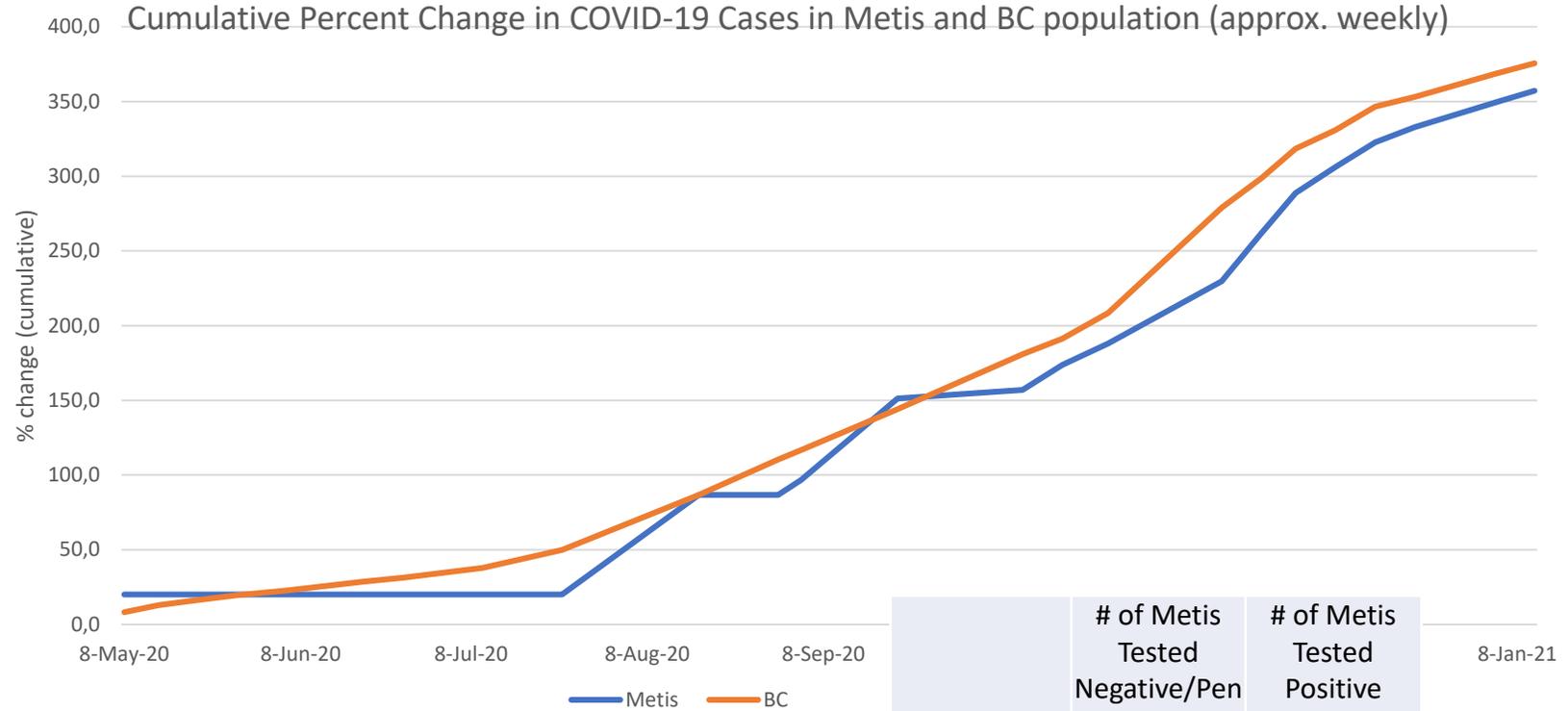
If you have not done so already, please complete our quick MNBC Needs Assessment Survey as to how COVID-19 is impacting you.

Closing April 30th

This information helps us to tailor information and respond with what you need to know - such as information about BC Hydro and ICBC. It lets us know what should be shared in this newsletter, and assists MNBC with decision making.



COVID-19 cases in Métis Citizens in MNBC Client File



# of cases BC	11-Jan-21	
	Metis	BC
# of cases FHA	108	58,107
# of cases IHA	30	36,287
# of cases NHA	21	4,704
# of cases VCH	32	2,560
# of cases VCHA	18	13,312
# of cases VIHA	7	1,138
# unk/missing/Out of Prov	5	106

	# of Metis Tested Negative/Pending	# of Metis Tested Positive
Sex		
Female	1705	51
Male	1141	57
unknown	5	0
Age		
18 - 29	903	33
30 - 39	562	21
40 - 49	466	14
50 - 59	427	22
60 - 69	302	8
70+	191	10



COVID-19 Vaccine Rollout

MNBC Health Staff have been involved in national health meetings, including vaccine rollout

Preemptively, our team created a survey and began to call Elders/Seniors over the age of 65:

- health and wellness check in
- Seasonal flu vaccination
- Desire to obtain a COVID-19 Vaccine

The survey has allowed us to have a list of Elders/Seniors 65+ who are ready to be vaccinated

A Newsletter post in issue 41 has resulted in 247 names in 2 days of eligible Métis people waiting for vaccine.

Next steps: regional health authority engagement and sharing the vaccine rollout clinic information. Continued support to Métis Chartered Communities through COVID-19



COVID-19 VACCINATIONS FOR MÉTIS SENIORS AND ELDERS

Would you like to stay informed about when the COVID-19 vaccine will be available for our Métis Seniors and Elders?

Please email or call MNBC's Ministry of Health to be added to our contact list for Seniors and Elders vaccination roll-out.

**Email: health@mNBC.ca
Phone: 1-800-940-1150**

The Ministry of Health will reach out to all Seniors and Elders on this contact list once a roll-out plan has been finalized.





Thank you / Maarsii!

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