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# Traditional/Sacred and Commercial Tobacco

- Canadian Cancer Society (CCS) respects and honors the difference between traditional and commercial tobacco use.
- We acknowledge that communities have a distinct and sacred relationship with traditional tobacco.







## **Program Overview**

- Talk Tobacco is a partnership between CCS and Ontario Health's (Cancer Care Ontario) Indigenous Cancer Care Unit (ICCU).
- 2017: A group led by the ICCU called the Joint Ontario Indigenous Cancer Committee (JOICC) identified the need for tailored and culturally appropriate cessation services and recommended CCS lead the development of a program to meet this need.
- 2018: CCS conducted a survey of Indigenous health care providers & smokers to determine feasibility of services.
- 2018: Funding was secured from the Canadian Partnership Against Cancer (CPAC) to create culturally appropriate cessation services for First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples.



## **Engagement Strategy**

Engagement meeting, Saskatoon, 2019



- Ensure the relevancy and accessibility of the program and inform how services can be developed with an understanding of Indigenous health and wellness.
- Meet with Indigenous organizations and leaders to seek buy-in and support for program services.
- Incorporate learnings into program services provision, referral partnerships and promotion.



## **Engagement Findings**

- 1. Quit Coach should be well versed in Indigenous cultures.
- 2. A relationship-based approach is preferred.
- 3. May require several calls with client and perhaps their family to build trust and hear their story.
- 4. Youth vaping is a significant issue.
- 5. Mental health and addiction play a significant role.

"I Don't want to start over it reminds me of calling rogers and being rerouted" – Discussion Participant in Ottawa on July 25, 2019

"No press one for this and press 2 for that because people will hang up" -Discussion Participant in Garden River on Sept. 19, 2019

## **Program Implementation**





Launched telephone cessation support across ON, SK and MB

Launched website

Launched partnership with Métis Nation
Ontario to develop training for their front-line teams to have cessation conversations and provide relevant referrals to cessation support

2021

2022

2020

2022

Launched Live Chat and text support in ON, SK and MB

Launched Talk Tobacco services in British Columbia in partnership with the FNHA

## Talk about Vaping

- Talk Tobacco does offer support for those looking to reduce or quit vaping
- Although we do not have the same long-term evidence around vaping compared to commercial tobacco we know it's not free from harm
- For those looking for CCS's messaging surrounding vaping: <a href="https://www.cancer.ca/en/prevention-and-screening/reduce-cancer-risk/make-healthy-choices/live-smoke-free/what-you-need-to-know-about-e-cigarettes/?region=on">https://www.cancer.ca/en/prevention-and-screening/reduce-cancer-risk/make-healthy-choices/live-smoke-free/what-you-need-to-know-about-e-cigarettes/?region=on</a>

## Referrals









WHAT ARE REFERRALS?

WHO CAN REFER?

WHY REFER CLIENTS?

WHEN CAN
YOU REFER?
HOW CAN
YOU REFER?

# Referring a client or patient

- 60% of those contacted by a Quit Coach would not have called, had they not been directly referred.
- Any health care and other provider can refer their clients to the Talk Tobacco phone support line.
- Within 3 days, the client will receive a phone call from a Quit Coach at Talk Tobacco.



#### -- TEAR OFF AND GIVE TO PATIENT/CLIENT -----

Congratulations on taking this step toward being smoke-free!
This form will be faxed to the Canadian Cancer Society's Talk Tobacco so that a non-judgemental Quit Coach can call you about your attempt to quit using tobacco and give you free, personalized support. Quitlines like Talk Tobacco can more than double your chance of quitting successfully!

Why pick up the phone?

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Culturally inclusive and aware serving First Nation, Inuit, Metis and Urban Indigenous populations symptoms

Available in 16 Indigenous languages

Speak with a Quit Coach at a time of day that works for you

Get support to develop a personalized quit plan to develop a personalized quit plan for dealing with slips and relapses

Free and confidential service



Please know that Talk Tobacco will keep your information confidential and secure and will only use it for this program. If you have questions about the use of your personal information, please contact the referring organization or individual helping to complete this form.

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# Referrals -You Can Make a Difference!

- Tobacco is the leading cause of preventable death and disease
- 3 in 5 smokers intend to quit in the next 6 months
- Just 3-5% of unassisted quit attempts are successful
- Success increases by 20% with advice from a health professional
- Encounter people at "teachable moments"

**SMOKING CESSATION** is your most powerful preventative health intervention

## **Phone Support**

## Quit Coaches can help callers with:

- Making a quit plan
- ✓ Managing withdrawal and coping with cravings
  - Quit methods (pharmacotherapy)
    - ✓ Managing stress
- ✓ Finding available resources in the community

#### Talk Tobacco operates 7 days a week. By phone, hours of operation are:

Mon – Tues 1pm – 9pm BC

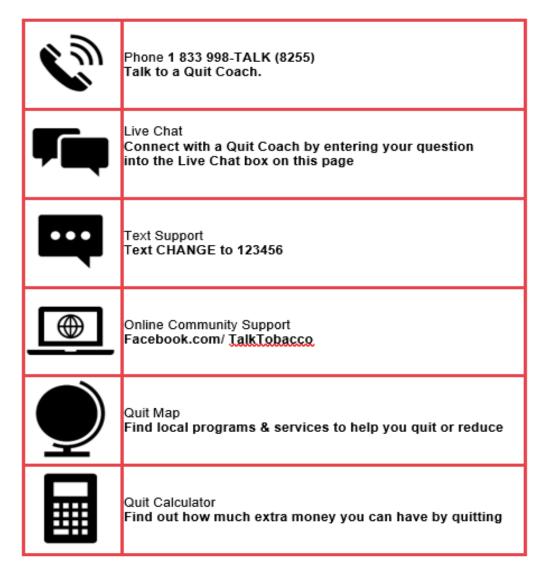
Wed - Fri 6am - 5pm BC

Weekends 6am - 2 pm BC

STAT Holidays: Closed

## **Services & Supports**





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# Client outcomes: April 2020-Feb 2022

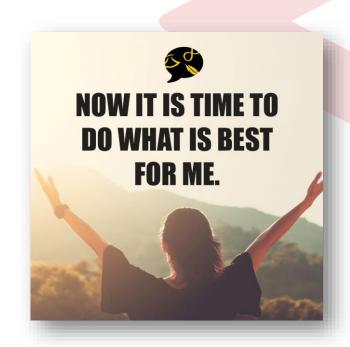


- 164 clients from April 2020 -February 2022
- 752 client contacts
- 37 clients **reduced** their cigarette use
- 32 clients quit completely
- 14 had already quit but called to maintain their resolve



## Client overview: April 2020-Feb 2022

- Women were most likely to call Talk Tobacco and the higher contacts were men and women between the ages of 35 and 64.
- Current and former tobacco users most frequently reported smoking 11-20 cigarettes per day and were most likely to be rated by the Quit Coach as being in the action and early preparation stages of change.
- Referrals were most frequently made by Quit Coaches, CAMH STOP study, and the Ottawa Model for Smoking Cessation.



#### **Posters and Postcards**

Healthcare and other providers can request materials or download online





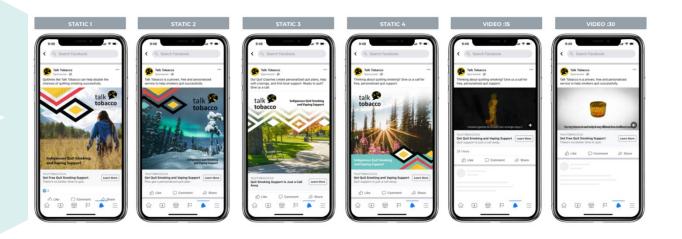
### Website

- Available in English and French
- Provides program information, overview of services, resources, frequently asked questions, and information on incentives
- Section for health care providers
- Between July 2021 to March 2022 the website had almost 8,000 user sessions and over 11,000 pageviews
- Through analysis we have some key learnings on how to ensure success moving forward.





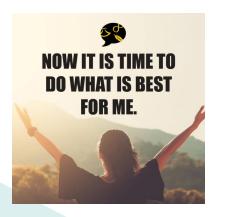
## Social Media



Facebook

https://www.facebook.com/TalkTobacco

### **Talk Tobacco on Facebook**









Followers - 216 Reach - 12,314 Page interactions - 425

#### **Talk Tobacco**

Talk Tobacco telephone cessation support

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Talk Tobacco website and Live Chat <a href="https://www.talktobacco.ca">www.talktobacco.ca</a> <a href="https://www.parlerdutabac.ca">www.parlerdutabac.ca</a>

Facebook

https://www.facebook.com/TalkTobacco

Service provider newsletter sign-up <a href="http://eepurl.com/hp5pWj">http://eepurl.com/hp5pWj</a>

15 and 30 second promotional videos on YouTube

https://youtu.be/40j7Iurg-gI

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