



# Mobilizing Partnerships to Advance a Provincial Intersectoral Network on Trans-affirming Practice to Support Sexual Assault Survivors

## *Yesterday was National Human Trafficking Awareness Day!*

### Do you want to improve responses to survivors of sex trafficking?

We are inviting professionals working within the healthcare, social service, police, and education sectors, who live and work in Canada, to participate in our national survey on perceptions of sex trafficking and capacity to respond to adult and adolescent sex trafficked persons.

- **You do not need previous experience working with someone who has been or is being sex trafficked**
- **It will take approximately 20 minutes to complete**
- **You will receive a \$25 e-gift card on survey completion**

The link to the survey has been emailed, but if you cannot find it, please let Daisy Kosa know by e-mailing her at [sarahdaisy.kosa@wchospital.ca](mailto:sarahdaisy.kosa@wchospital.ca).

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On [#NationalHumanTraffickingAwarenessDay](#), we're launching our [#AddressingSexTrafficking](#) campaign to enhance awareness among providers of barriers and facilitators to supporting survivors of [#sextrafficking](#) in Canada. [loom.ly/\\_ZZhR8Q](https://loom.ly/_ZZhR8Q)



## Initial Steps taken in the Development of New Curriculum

We have taken important initial steps in developing an e-learning curriculum educating providers to better respond to trans and gender diverse persons who have experienced intimate partner violence:

1) Conducted an initial environmental scan from which we learned that:

- Trans and gender diverse persons experience intimate partner violence at high rates and have unique and complex needs
- There are few existing trainings and trained providers to support their needs

2) Developed a survey to identify Ontario providers' learning needs associated with supporting trans and gender diverse persons experiencing intimate partner violence

- Building on the environmental scan
- Incorporating insights from a focus group with our Education and Training Working Group

3) Distributed the learning needs assessment survey

- November 2022 by e-mail to all trans-LINK network members
- Closed February 2023, with over 165 respondents!

## Upcoming Webinar on Results of Survey

Stay tuned for a Webinar in Spring 2023 presenting the results of our recent survey, including respondents':

- Characteristics,
- Work experience,
- Previous training,
- Current practices, and
- Desired content

with respect to supporting trans and gender diverse persons who have experienced intimate partner violence.

## NEXT STEPS: Curriculum Development

Based on the findings of the learning needs assessment and your input from the webinar, we will develop an e-learning curriculum.

We hope that the curriculum will help providers gain the knowledge and develop skills necessary to provide comprehensive and inclusive care for trans and gender diverse persons experiencing intimate partner violence.

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