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

Enhancing Collaborative Relationships Using PARTNER

This week we'll be launching a survey of the trans-LINK Network using an accessible and convenient online tool called **PARTNER**. By completing PARTNER, you can help enhance communication, connectivity, and collaboration among trans-LINK Network members locally, regionally, and provincially.

ALL respondents to the PARTNER tool will be automatically entered into a <u>draw at the close of the</u> <u>survey for one of two electronic gift cards, each</u> <u>worth \$250</u>. Using PARTNER data, we hope to be able to create 1-page summaries highlighting your organization's particular findings.

Later in the summer, we'll host a webinar to share overall results and brainstorm how we as a group can move forward.

We are excited to get this next step of the project underway! Please keep an eye out for **PARTNER invitations THIS WEEK.** Your participation is key in identifying how we as a Network can better collaborate to serve our communities.

Update on trans-LINK Research Priorities

We will be closing our trans-LINK research priorities survey this week. After 6-weeks in the field, our survey sample now includes approximately **200 respondents** from across sectors and provinces! **Thanks** to those of you who took the time participate and submit research questions. Your input will help shape Canada's 1st ever research agenda on sexual assault and intimate partner violence against trans, non-binary, and Two Spirit people. Our next steps are to collate and clean up the research questions submitted and then circulate them back to those who agreed to evaluate them for their answerability, feasibility, etc. Stay tuned for updates!





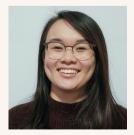
We are thrilled to welcome 3 trans-LINK Summer Students to our interdisciplinary research team! Meet Madelaine, Nicholas, and Rachel and learn more about their projects below.



Madelaine Coelho (sher/her) is an incoming doctoral student at the University of Toronto's Department of Sociology. She will be implementing the PARTNER survey and following-up with each of you, as necessary, as the data begins to roll in.



Nicholas LeBel (he/him) is completing his 1st year in the Temerty Faculty of Medicine, University of Toronto. He will be be leading the webinar to work with you to develop recommendations based on PARTNER findings.



Rachel Cheung (she/her) is a student in the Factor-Inwentash Faculty of Social Work, University of Toronto. Rachel will continue to work on the research priorities project this summer, helping to clean up survey 1 results.

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