

# trans-LINK PROJECT

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

### Project Update:

Since our initial planning meetings, held across Ontario in summer 2019, the trans-LINK Network has continued to expand and evolve to better meet the needs of service providers and the trans survivors they support. We have worked to hone priority areas for Network development and action through online surveys, webinars, and focus groups. For more information on our recent work, have a look at some of our open access articles! You can find them below.

We were recently awarded a Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Partnership Development Grant. Thank you to our wonderful trans-LINK partnering organizations for their support on this application! This SSHRC funding will enable us to consolidate the trans-LINK Network and better orient our efforts towards the four Network pillars identified in earlier project stages: (1) Knowledge Sharing & Exchange, (2) Advocacy & Accessibility, (3) Education & Training, and (4) Research & Evaluation.

### Working Groups:

Over the next year, we will convene our four trans-LINK working groups, each dedicated to a different Network pillar. Earlier this month, we met with our Knowledge Sharing & Exchange and Advocacy & Accessibility working groups. We are so grateful to the project collaborators, partner organizations, and trans peer leaders who participated in these discussions! If you would like to get involved in one of our trans-LINK working groups, please email Joseph, the project coordinator at [joseph.friedman-burley@wchospital.ca](mailto:joseph.friedman-burley@wchospital.ca).

### Partnering Organizations:

- Bloom Clinic, WellFort Community Health Services
- Chantel's Place, Trillium Health Partners
- Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario
- Egale Canada
- HIV/AIDS Resources & Community Health (ARCH)
- Indus Community Services
- Kawartha Sexual Assault Centre
- Lanark County Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Program, Perth & Smiths Falls District Hospital
- Lumenus Community Services
- Moyo Health & Community Services
- NorWest Community Health Centre
- Quinte West Youth Centre
- Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Care Centre, Scarborough Health Network
- Sexual Assault & Violence Intervention Services of Halton
- Sexual Assault Support Centre of Waterloo Region
- Sioux Lookout Meno Ya Win Health Centre
- The 519
- Waterloo Region of Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Treatment Centre, St. Mary's General Hospital
- W.E Trans Support - Transgender and Allied Support
- Women's Sexual Assault Centre of Renfrew County, Pembroke

### On the Horizon:

Thanks to the amazing feedback of our Knowledge Sharing & Exchange working group, we are almost ready to launch the trans-LINK WebPortal. This online resource will provide expanded access to trans-LINK research materials, knowledge translation products, supports for service providers, and an interactive member directory to help facilitate safe and seamless referrals. Keep an eye out for updates!

### Open Access Articles:

<http://bit.ly/3axA2gd>

<http://bit.ly/38TyL3g>

<http://bit.ly/345fQQz>

<https://bit.ly/3m5KJw7>

<https://bit.ly/2JpaypE>