

GOVERNMENT OF CANADA'S SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED AND BLOOD-BORNE INFECTIONS (STBBI) ACTION PLAN 2024-2030

ACTION PLAN IN BRIEF

Sexually transmitted and blood-borne infections (STBBI) continue to be a public health concern that requires a rights-based, collaborative and holistic approach. The renewal of the Government of Canada's STBBI Action Plan aims to accelerate prevention, diagnosis, and treatment to reduce the health impacts of STBBI in Canada by 2030 and meet global commitments. The priorities outlined in this plan are driven by evidence and reflect today's realities, including advances in science, intersecting social and structural determinants of health, the lasting impacts of COVID-19, and emerging infectious diseases.

The renewal of the Action Plan underscores the Government of Canada's commitment to reduce the impact of STBBI, improve public health outcomes, and advance overall health and well-being. Through the priorities and actions outlined in this plan, the federal government aims to drive positive change, reduce disparities, complement provincial and territorial efforts, and contribute to a healthier and more inclusive society.

ACTION PLAN PRIORITIES

ENABLING ENVIRONMENT

- 1. Support First Nations, Inuit and Métis priorities, leadership and self-determination
- 2. Address STBBI-related stigma and discrimination
- 3. Improve STBBI data monitoring and collection practices
- 4. Strengthen and support research capacity
- 5. Provide ongoing support, exchange, and convening opportunities

PREVENTION

- 6. Promote comprehensive sexual health and wellbeing across the life course
- 7. Enhance awareness of, and access to, biomedical STBBI prevention tools
- 8. Advance development and uptake of vaccines and prevention innovations
- 9. Support harm reduction programs and services
- 10. Respond to emerging and reemerging infections

TESTING

- 11. Expand the availability of a range of testing modalities
- 12. Improve access to STBBI testing for key populations and the general population

INITIATION OF CARE AND TREATMENT

- 13. Facilitate access to wrap-around care and support
- 14. Provide care for populations with health services or coverage from the federal government

ONGOING CARE AND SUPPORT

- 15. Reinforce the importance of person-centered, trauma-informed, and linguistically and culturally relevant care
- 16. Recognize and support peer-based approaches within the STBBI response

For more information you can view the full STBBI Action Plan at:

https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/publications/diseases-conditions/sexually-transmitted-blood-borne-infections-action-plan-2024-2030.html



