



WHO WE ARE

We are a diverse interdisciplinary network of engaged academics and practice or policy professionals working in a range of sectors. Together we bring the best of knowledge, science, and practice to advance the health of communities.

WHAT WE DO

Advancing the health, wellbeing and sustainability of communities by addressing root causes of ill health, vulnerability, and inequity.

We seek to do this by:

- conducting research and evaluation to offer timely evidence-informed answers to practice or policy questions
- developing and scaling up tools and interventions
- harnessing scientific research and experiential practice and community knowledge
- using social innovation as well as innovative methodological approaches
- bringing in experts and knowledge from multiple sectors and disciplines toward capacity building
- sharing and mobilizing knowledge with diverse stakeholders
- adopting equity, diversity, and inclusion lenses in our work
- working collaboratively to achieve collective impact

HOW WE WORK

Collaborating *with* partners to build capacity and work across sectors and research areas to provide timely evidence-informed solutions.

This is operationalized in two ways:

Partner-initiated projects include collaborative development of project questions, designs, and outcomes aligned with partners' needs and timelines.

Centre for Healthy Communities-initiated projects include CHC Scientist-led, collaborative development of research and initiatives that advance global knowledge and methods for advancing healthy communities.



VISION

To help forge a future for every community that is healthy, sustainable, and flourishing.

RESEARCH THEMATIC AREAS

Healthy Environments: Harnessing the connections between humans, animals, and their environment (a One Health approach) to optimize community and planetary health, sustainability, and wellbeing.

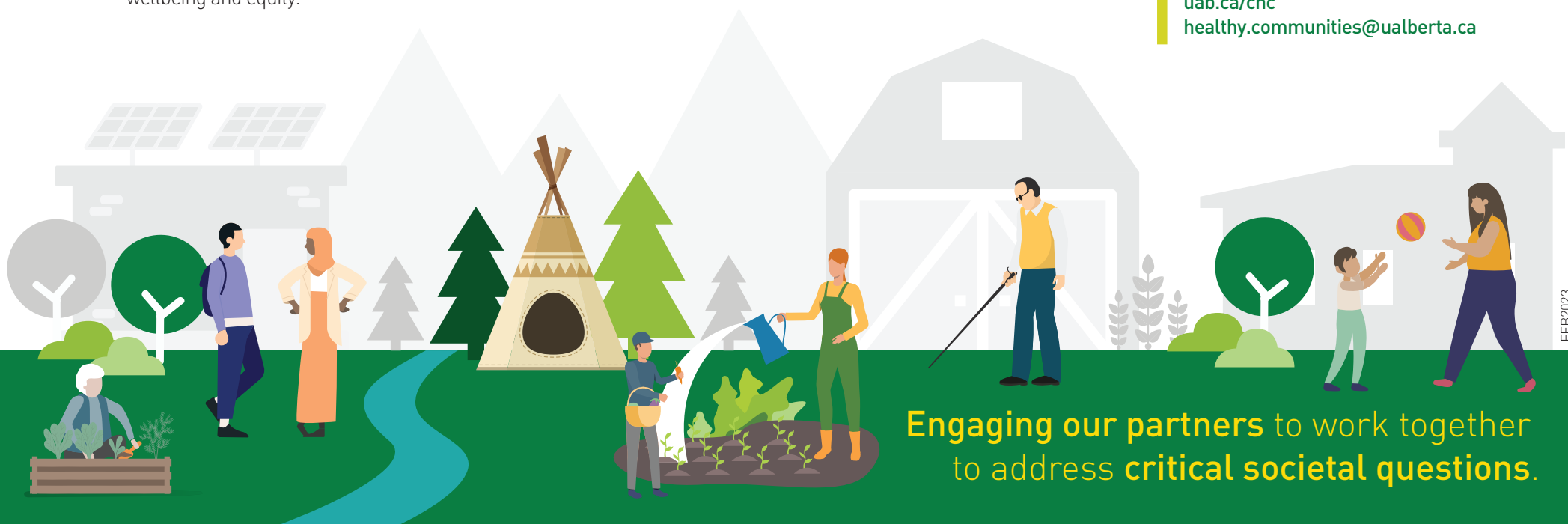
Healthy Municipalities and Workplaces: Fostering healthy and sustainable municipalities and workplaces by supporting systems-wide change, enhancing built and social environments, and informing governance and policies to improve wellbeing and equity.

Healthy Equity: Achieving social and health equity through research, initiatives, and development of resources that transcend the Centre for Healthy Communities research thematic areas.

Healthy School Communities: Building, supporting, and sustaining healthy school communities by advancing the evidence base, promoting systems change, and informing policy and practice through knowledge mobilization.

Supporting Healthy Indigenous Communities: Working with Indigenous Elders, Knowledge Keepers, community partners and researchers to promote research focused on the strength, resilience, and deep knowledge and commitments that communities hold to optimize health and wellbeing and create opportunities for the next generations.

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Engaging our partners to work together to address critical societal questions.