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About this Report


This report is the culmination of efforts by hundreds of people across PEI who contributed their time, expertise and perspectives to inform the **PEI Cancer Action Plan for 2023 to 2028**.

Read on to learn about the engagement process design and approach, findings from targeted engagement activities with over six hundred stakeholders, and the seven common themes that emerged from across the process.

A warm thank you to everyone who participated in this six-month engagement process, including representatives of the Indigenous people of Epekwitk, people impacted by cancer, community groups and other Islanders.

We wish to extend a note of appreciation to the PEI Cancer Action Plan leadership and committee members, and the Canadian Partnership Against Cancer for advising and supporting the engagement plan and related activities.

By working together, we will make a difference to the health and wellbeing of communities across PEI.



Making a Difference *Together*

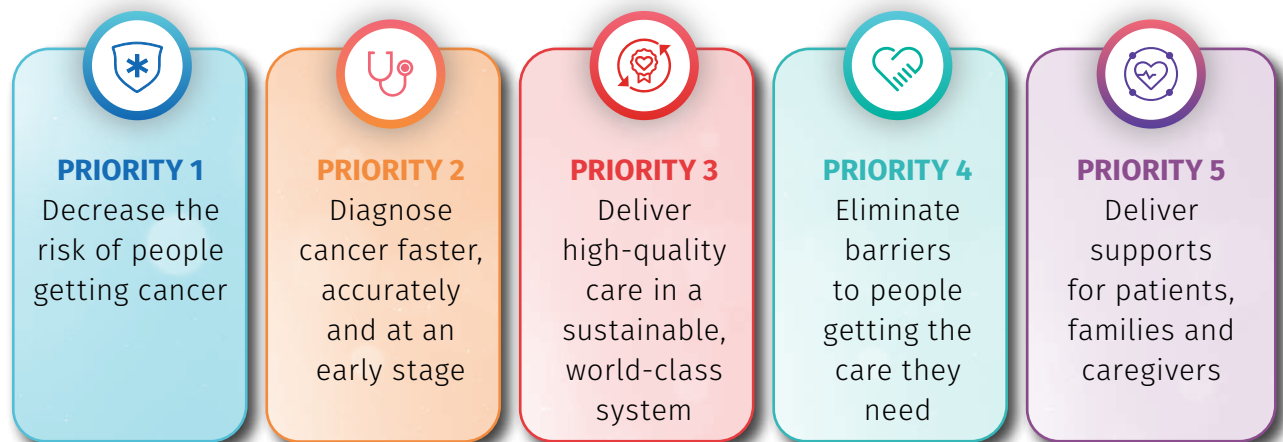
Informing PEI's Cancer Action Plan

The vision of the **PEI Cancer Action Plan 2023 to 2028** is to reduce cancer and its impact on all Islanders. We will achieve this by working together to drive change and lead improvements that value people, quality, and evidence, so that all Islanders can live healthier lives and receive high-quality cancer care.

The plan was informed by nearly six hundred voices from across PEI, with input and advice from diverse community groups, including those experiencing inequities in healthcare, Indigenous partners, patients, health professionals, system leaders and the public.

This range of voices is integral. It will guide and position PEI's response to the needs of patients, communities and the cancer system as we build a more equitable approach to advancing efforts to prevent cancer and strengthening support for people impacted by a diagnosis.

PEI's Cancer Action Plan is built upon the five priorities of the **2019-2029 Canadian Strategy for Cancer Control**, which was informed by an extensive consultation and engagement process with input from partners across PEI and Canada.





“If we want to save and improve the lives of people living with cancer, we need leadership from all levels of government. The time to act is now. We applaud the Government of Prince Edward Island for creating a plan to improve cancer care and health outcomes for patients and their loved ones.”

**- Heather Mulligan, Manager of Advocacy, Atlantic Canada,
Canadian Cancer Society**

Engagement Methods and Approach

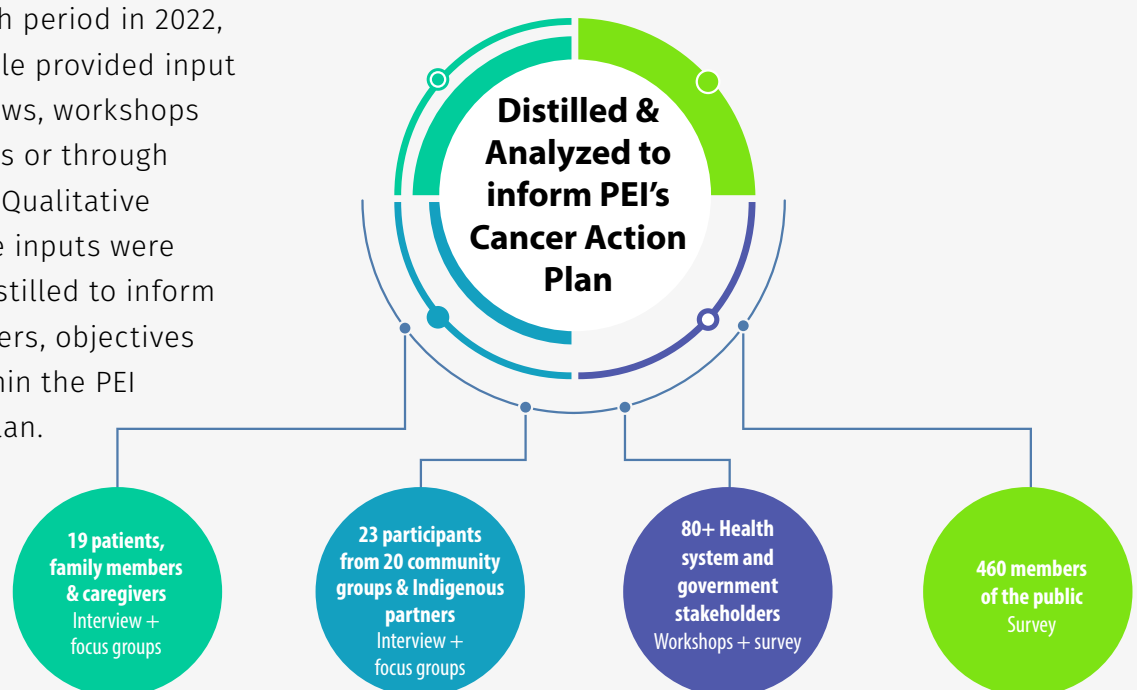
A multi-faceted engagement approach was developed to ensure inclusion of a wide range of Islanders and partners who are affected by cancer, including people living with cancer and those working in the cancer system to deliver care.

The overall goal was to understand current strengths and gaps, that will in turn inform actions that address challenges and harness opportunities. Engagement planning was carefully grounded in a commitment to equity, with culturally safe, appropriate and tailored approaches for each engagement method. These principles will also guide implementation of the plan.

Engagement objectives:

- **Patients, families and caregivers:** Gather feedback from patients, survivors, families and caregivers to understand personal cancer journey perspectives. Sharing of strengths and barriers or challenges experienced by participants and opportunities for cancer care in PEI.
- **Community groups and Indigenous partners:** Inform improvements for culturally safe and patient-centred cancer services and supports in PEI by understanding existing barriers, lived experience of under-served populations and what additional supports would achieve a more equitable access to care.
- **Health system and government stakeholders:** Identify and prioritize actions, necessary resources and partnerships to advance each of the five priority areas of the Plan.
- **General public:** Identify and prioritize areas of importance to Islanders to reduce cancer and improve care.

Over a six-month period in 2022, nearly 600 people provided input through interviews, workshops and focus groups or through a public survey. Qualitative and quantitative inputs were analyzed and distilled to inform priorities, enablers, objectives and actions within the PEI Cancer Action Plan.



Engagement Guiding Principles

- The engagement plan and its execution were grounded by **objectives** and an equity **focus**.
- The approach was **multi-faceted** and **inclusive** of input from a **diverse range of groups**, including representation from across PEI and populations experiencing health inequities.
- Culturally safe approaches were utilized for engagements with each group.
- Findings were **supplemented by existing resources** (previous consultations for strategic plans and reports)
- Engagements were **evaluated** and **participants informed** on how input was used.

Strengthening Relationships with Indigenous Communities

The Government of PEI and Health PEI are committed to advancing the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action for health in planning, information sharing and care delivery. This is grounded in a commitment to working together as partners on shared priorities for cancer prevention and care to improve outcomes and experiences of Indigenous patients and the people who support them.

The PEI Cancer Action Plan was shaped by input from Indigenous partners through a variety of channels, including as members of the PEI Cancer Action Plan Advisory Committee and through participation in workshops and interviews.

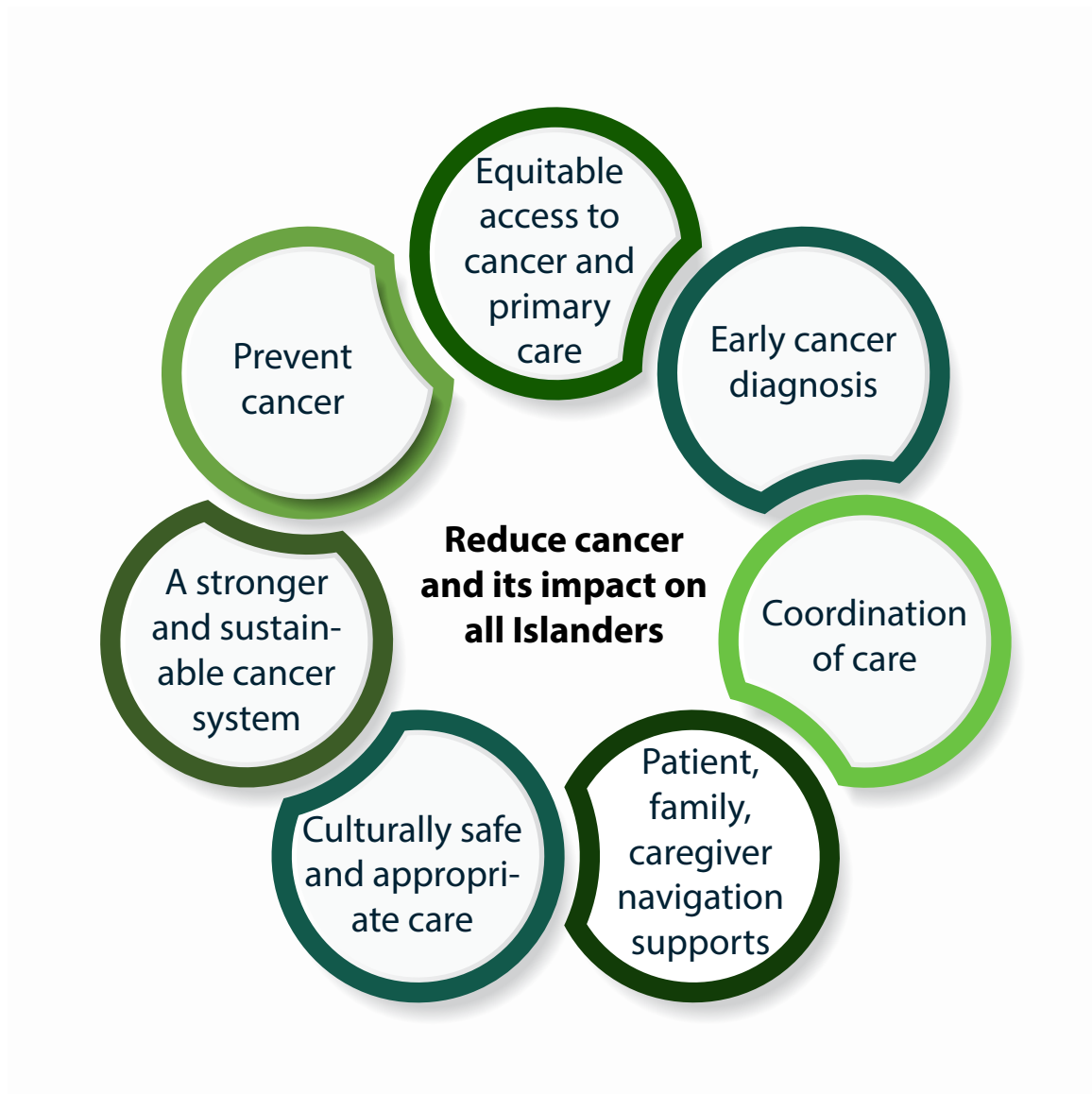
Ongoing collaboration with Indigenous community members and health leaders is central to engaging and building relationships with Indigenous communities to help support self-determined cancer control priorities.

Input throughout the engagement process guides efforts to increase knowledge and awareness amongst healthcare professionals to strengthen care delivery, planning and policy to ensure they are culturally safe and free of bias and racism.

Engagement Results:

Key Themes

Several common themes emerged through the engagement process. While there were nuances in each discussion and across groups (see next section for details), there was clear alignment across all participants of what Islanders want from their PEI Cancer Action Plan in order to reduce the prevalence of cancer and its impact on all Islanders.



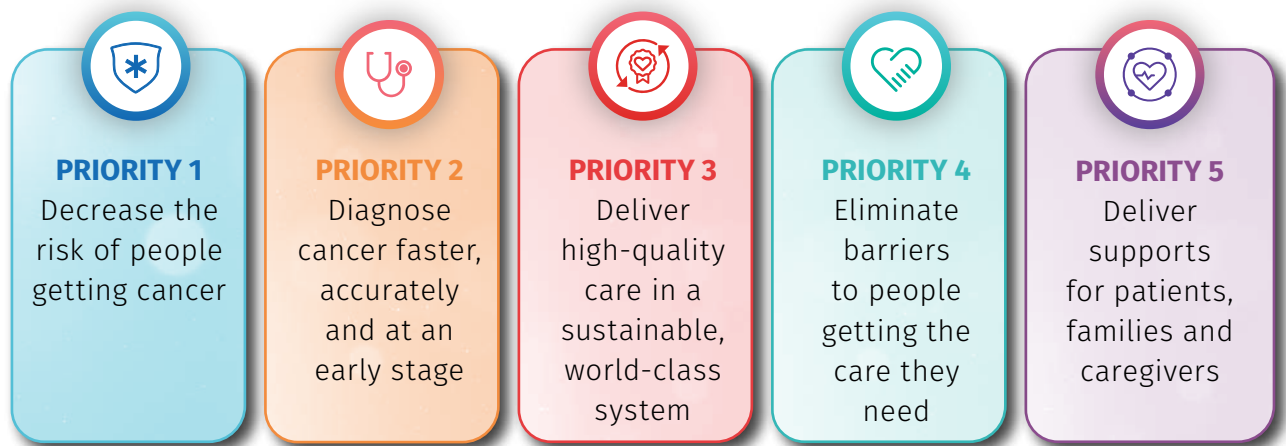


- Improve **equitable access** to high-quality cancer care, as well as primary care, for all Islanders—no matter who they are or where they live.
- Ensure **culturally safe and appropriate care** for all Islanders.
- **Diagnose cancers faster and at an early stage** so people have the best chance of survival and better quality of life.
- Enhance **coordination of care** by strengthening connections between providers and building processes to ensure patients are informed and receive necessary support and care throughout their cancer journey.
- Provide **navigation support** to all patients, families and caregivers to ensure services and information are provided in a way that meets needs no matter where you live or what part of your cancer journey you are on.
- **Prevent more cancers** with information and programs about risks and preventative measures for individuals, communities and healthcare providers.
- Build a **stronger and sustainable cancer system** through sharing and using evidence-based information, and data to inform innovation and planning.

WHAT WE HEARD

Engagements were tailored to each participating group or individual to help identify current gaps, opportunities and inform actions across the cancer continuum - from prevention and early diagnosis through to survivorship and end-of-life care - and build on work to date.

Detailed findings are outlined below and grouped within one of five priority areas of the PEI Cancer Action Plan. Some participants explored all priority areas, while others focused on areas of most importance to their concerns and experience.



Patients, families and caregivers

Engagements with patients, families and caregivers explored perspectives from their personal cancer journeys, areas of strength in PEI's cancer care delivery, and opportunities for improvement.

Discussions identified the importance of equitable access to care, the role of a strong patient-healthcare team connection to provide support throughout the cancer journey, including with primary care, and the need for access to patient resources like navigation tools and financial supports.

- Participants: 19 patients, families and caregivers
- Engagement methods: Focus group and interviews

Discussion highlights are grouped by action plan priority. This group focused on supports and care delivery during the post-diagnosis.



“The drug coordinator helped me navigate arrangements with the manufacturer to access medication. It worked out very well for us. Many others don’t have coverage, or they stay on lower cost drugs, which isn’t fair in my opinion.” - Participant, patient, family and caregiver engagement

“We felt like active participants in treatment discussions with the care team. We felt it was a joint decision and really appreciated that.”

- Participant, patient, family and caregiver engagement

Patients, families and caregivers



PRIORITY 2 Diagnose cancer faster, accurately and at an early stage

- Delivering results as quickly as possible to patients by being sensitive to how information is communicated and deliver results as quickly as possible.
- Prioritize follow-up with patients of suspected cancer so the diagnostics happen faster, and the patients get into treatment.
- Ensure patients who do not have a primary care provider are supported throughout their cancer journey.
- Improve timely access to specialized care for diagnosis and treatment planning, including off-Island care.



PRIORITY 3 Deliver high-quality care in a sustainable, world-class system

- Continue to provide access to specialists in other provinces who have more experience with complicated diseases or treatment planning.
- Continue with clear communication about fertility risks with relevant patients before treatment starts.
- Ensure Islanders have equitable access to and coverage of medications as other Canadians.
- Reduce the amount of time it takes for drugs to be approved for an individual's care.
- Continue to support patients to feel comfortable in asking questions and ensure they are aware of the care team responsibilities – particularly when moving through phases of treatment.
- Help improve information sharing between healthcare providers with tools like electronic health records, so cancer patients are not responsible for briefing care providers on diagnosis, care updates or status of a test.
- Continue to support cancer patient and caregiver access to healthcare professionals or navigators to help answer questions outside of scheduled appointments.

ENABLERS TO THE ACTION PLAN Patient, family and caregiver participants identified the following enablers as priorities to drive the success of the PEI Action Plan.

- **Improve patient information access** with an inventory of PEI's cancer services and programs to inform planning, information tools and care plans.
- **Enhance access to medical records** and test results for patients and the broader healthcare team.
- **Share existing cancer service and program data** to improve awareness and accessibility for the public.



PRIORITY 4
Eliminate barriers to people getting the care they need

- Enhance and strengthen relationships between healthcare providers within PEI and off-Island specialists to facilitate access to care for all patients.
- Support patients to manage financial stress by reviewing and expanding financial support eligibility and income cut offs for the PEI drug programs.
- Develop clear processes and policies for off-Island treatment that integrate with navigation support and coordination resources, especially for out-patients.
- Provide better support to Islanders with cancer who live in rural areas with more resources to access care, including access to mental health and grief supports.
- Ensure patients without a primary care provider have access to high-quality care and point of contact to ask questions – from suspicion of cancer to diagnosis and after completion of cancer treatment.
- Streamline processes so that healthcare providers can successfully support patients during times of transition, including survivorship, integrating palliative care and management of chronic cancers.
- Strengthen PEI’s patient navigator program to ensure it supports patients facing barriers to care.



PRIORITY 5
Deliver supports for patients, families, and caregivers

- Assess the needs and experiences of all Islanders with cancer to make sure materials and supports meet everyone’s needs, including how the patient navigators can best support patients.
- Develop a centralized online resource that outlines each step of the journey and provides information resources to empower patients to ask questions and understand what is happening next.
- Convene multidisciplinary teams that include patients and caregivers to design patient-centred journey pathways to ensure information is available that is meaningful and reflects a diversity of lived experiences and perspectives.
- Improve equitable access to allied health team professionals and supports.
- Extend personal care and wellbeing supports after patients are diagnosed.
- Increase awareness of patient navigators so that all patients know what is available to them to support their patient journey.

Community Groups and Indigenous Partners

Engagements with community groups explored approaches to improving culturally safe and patient-centred cancer services and supports in PEI.

Discussions identified the importance of cancer prevention, the need to understand the lived experience of under-served populations and to identify barriers to accessing care, and how additional supports can achieve more equitable access and culturally safe care.

- Participants: 23 individuals representing 20 community groups
- Engagement methods: Focus group and interviews



PRIORITY 1
Decrease the risk of
people getting cancer

- Strengthen prevention and health promotion efforts and campaigns by reflecting diversity in healthcare providers and the public and making sure language is clear, inclusive and accessible.
- Work with cultural groups, community groups and organizations when preparing prevention and health promotion campaigns to best reflect the community needs, values, and to address concerns and ensure voices and culture are represented.
- Support cancer prevention by embedding awareness programs into schools to create early adoption of healthy behaviours and reduce risks such as smoking and alcohol use.



PRIORITY 2
Diagnose cancer faster,
accurately and at an
early stage

- Enhance screening and early diagnosis programs by ensuring they are accessible and inclusive, provided in a safe and respectful way, free from discrimination, with accessible and easy to understand materials.
- Support patients by establishing a clinic dedicated to early diagnosis where patients are provided information, guidance on next steps and follow-up appointments for questions prior to the start of treatment.
- Improve equitable access to care by strengthening accessibility to screening, testing and imaging for people with disabilities.
- Continue to shorten time to treatment by expanding hours of screening services and better access to diagnostic testing.



PRIORITY 3
Deliver high-quality care
in a sustainable,
world-class system

- Put patients at the centre of care by re-imagining relationship-centred care and ensuring timely, gracious, and compassionate care.
- Provide equitable access to medications that treat cancer, symptoms and sustain a good quality life in PEI.
- Ensure costs are covered for new medications if required for treatment and to support living well with and beyond cancer.
- Increase access to supports that reduce the financial burden of a diagnosis and treatment when it impacts patients’ income and independence.
- Increase navigation supports and expand the navigation team to maximize the impact of the navigation role.
- Build meaningful inclusivity into everything that Health PEI does, from planning and policy to processes, procedures and practices.



PRIORITY 4
Eliminate barriers to
people getting the care
they need

- Simplify processes and referrals and provide greater clarity as to how to receive supports.
- Engage with community organizations regularly to understand population needs and share information.
- Improve access to care with transportation support and increased options for people living in rural areas, those who do not have a network of support or who require accessible services for physical disabilities.
- Support healthcare providers to deliver care to diverse populations through ongoing training and education.



“Help is needed to connect people to a diverse range of peer and community supports. Receiving information and support from someone who shares your experience is really helpful.”

- Participant, community group member and Indigenous partner engagement



PRIORITY 5
Deliver supports for
patients, families, and
caregivers

- Provide supports for on-Island travel to access screening, diagnosis, cancer treatment as well as supports for patients receiving treatments off-Island.
- Help patients during and after treatment with access to information about short- and longer-term impact of cancer and connect with supports by strengthening connections with primary and community care, and partnerships with community organizations and groups representing culturally diverse groups.
- Encourage inclusion of interpreters, caregivers and family members throughout the cancer journey to reduce language barriers and ensure patients can fully engage in their care plan and decisions.
- Strengthen connections, relationships and avenues for patients – during and after active treatment – so they feel heard and are not alone in having to advocate for themselves.

Culturally Safe Approaches

Participants provided observations and recommendations relating to the importance of culturally safe care:

- Recognize the role of trauma and oppression in a person's life and use trauma-informed approaches to ensure people feel safe to access care.
- Adopt best practice models of care that consider the impact of colonization and inter-generational trauma on the health of Indigenous people (New Zealand Model).
- Recognize and respect individual perspectives on what it means to be healthy and how to approach health, and increase access to culturally appropriate traditional healing.
- Provide healthcare workers with comprehensive and ongoing training to build capacity in understanding and delivery of culturally sensitive care.
- Recognize and increase understanding of diverse gender populations and provide staff with gender-affirming training.
- Addressing language barriers faced by newcomers and French-speaking Islanders.

Health System and Government Stakeholders

Engagements with health system and government leaders focused on identifying and prioritizing actions to build on strengths and tackle current and emerging challenges and opportunities.

Discussions identified necessary resources, policy commitments and partnerships to advance each area of PEI's Cancer Action Plan.

- Participants: 80+ health system and government stakeholders
- Engagement methods: Workshops and survey



“Addressing health inequities, reducing barriers and strengthening the process and pathway to care for patients without a primary care provider should be among the highest priorities”

-Participant, health system and government stakeholder engagement

Health System and Government Stakeholders



PRIORITY 1
**Decrease the risk of
 people getting cancer**

- Further invest in programs and policies to reduce modifiable risk factors known to impact development of cancer and chronic disease, including: reducing alcohol and tobacco use; access to healthy foods in schools; and specialized clinics for people who are morbidly obese.
- Strengthen legislation relating to tobacco, vaping and cannabis use.
- Work to fully implement universal access to smoking cessation that includes follow-up care to stay smoke free and equitable access to cessation medication and prioritize smoking cessation programs for youth and young adults and continue vaping prevention programs.
- Continue current immunization programs with a focus on increasing promotion of adult HPV vaccine.
- Consider ways to support cancer risk reduction information and protection for newcomers to Canada, including seasonal and temporary workers.
- Reduce risks of occupational & environmental carcinogens, prioritize employee protections, health promotion and policies that protect from known carcinogens.



PRIORITY 2
**Diagnose cancer faster,
 accurately and at an
 early stage**

- Improve early diagnosis by prioritizing data gathering, measurement and reporting from prevention and screening through to survivorship or palliative care.
- Improve screening program outcome reporting and sharing of information to inform decision making, improvements and successes.
- Increase accessibility and participation in cancer screening programs with communication about eligibility, automatic reminders for all, culturally sensitive and safe approaches and information resources.
- Improve efficiencies of early diagnosis with integrated electronic systems that communicate and track information and strengthen processes for patients without a primary care provider who need access to testing or help navigating the system.
- Clearly identify diagnostic pathways for all types of cancer to inform clinical decision making, service planning and to inform patients of what is expected.



PRIORITY 3
Deliver high-quality care
in a sustainable,
world-class system

- Develop and implement standard treatment pathways based on disease site and stage that informs the continuum of care.
- Develop and implement evaluation frameworks and plans for cancer programs/services to advance efficacy, quality and sustainability of cancer system.
- Conduct a review and assessment of Health Human Resource structures, classifications and competitive wages to enhance recruitment and develop a sustainable workforce, including Health Information specialists and Information Technology experts.
- Continue to work toward a fully funded drug formulary in PEI that is equitable to other jurisdictions for the treatment of cancer, symptom and disease management and with support for palliative and end-of-life care.
- Focus on developing regional partnerships for all aspects of the cancer journey to enhance best practices, share knowledge, develop expertise and improve access.



PRIORITY 4
Eliminate barriers to
people getting the care
they need

- Increase health professional learning and knowledge of underserved populations, including awareness of existing barriers.
- Ensure populations facing inequities in PEI are prioritized in the Action Plan and its implementation.
- Strengthen relationships between health system and community leaders to increase cultural competencies, eliminate biases and provide safe care.
- Improve coordination of off-Island care through strengthening connection between off-Island referrals and patient navigators.
- Improve treatment wait times including surgical care.
- Consider health inequities and barriers in communities when planning service, providing care and engaging with people.



PRIORITY 5
Deliver supports for
patients, families, and
caregivers

- Prioritize integration of all health records so providers and patients have the information they need to make good decisions.
- Consider how to better support people who need financial support to access services such as lodging, transportation and medications and identify ways to trigger timely support so care is not impacted.
- Prioritize survivorship care by standardizing care plans and improving communications during transitions in care.
- Enhance earlier integration of palliative approach to care with the palliative care team and implement a seven-day intake referrals system.
- Ensure timely access to grief and mental health supports that are close to home, including for Islanders in rural communities.

Enablers to the action plan:

Health experts identified the following enablers as priorities to drive the success of the PEI Cancer Action Plan.

- **Drive evidence-based care with** automated data collection, increased analytics capacity to ensure data is well-utilized and greater involvement in the Atlantic Clinical Trials Network.
- **Optimize innovation and technology** by increasing health data/technology agreements, enhancing residents' digital literacy including a patient-centric communications strategy and expanding the My Access PEI patient portal to be a one-stop-shop for patient information.
- **Prioritize consistent, effective information** flow from suspected cancer through diagnosis and treatment, implement an EMR at the Cancer Treatment Centre that integrates with all others.

The General Public

The goal of a general survey was to identify and prioritize challenges and areas of importance to Islanders that will prevent and reduce cancer and improve care. Survey results demonstrate alignment and support for priority areas of PEI's Cancer Action Plan.

- Participants: 460 islanders responded to the survey
- Engagement method: Online Survey (French and English versions)



“The system needs to be easier to navigate. Overlap between departments should be eliminated and make a clear path for patients.” – **Survey participant**

“I’ve been on the Island for 4 years. It’s difficult to get a referral for screening without having a family doctor, even though I was already enrolled in a screening program in another province.” – **Survey participant**



PRIORITY 1
**Decrease the risk of
 people getting cancer**

- Increase awareness and education on cancer prevention factors including maintaining a healthy lifestyle, minimizing alcohol consumption, smoking cessation, sun protection, reducing cervical cancer risks.
- Improve education on screening and early detection, including watching and reporting symptoms or changes to health.
- Implement careful monitoring of pesticides used in agriculture and increase awareness of consumer products with known cancer-causing chemicals.
- Decrease barriers that prevent residents from living a healthy lifestyle, including increasing access to healthcare professionals to improve preventative care.



PRIORITY 2
**Diagnose cancer faster,
 accurately and at an
 early stage**

- Focus on expanding screening to prevent or find cancer early, including improved access to screening services, shortening wait times for screening, simplifying access for those without a primary care provider.
- Increase access to primary care providers and develop clear and accessible processes and increase supports for people without one.
- Reduce wait times for testing once suspected cancer is identified and deliver results quickly.



PRIORITY 3
**Deliver high-quality care
 in a sustainable,
 world-class system**

- Focus efforts on increasing the number of primary care providers and oncologists and improve access to those already practicing in PEI.
- Improve connections between primary care and cancer care teams to support transitions and after-treatment care.
- Improve access to off-Island care and ensure adequate supports including financial assistance, navigation, coordinated care, transportation, accommodation, and virtual care.
- Ensure patients are provided financial assistance for medication costs/adequate drug coverage so that medications are accessible to everyone and do not cause financial hardship.
- Ensure timely access to patient-centred, high-quality treatment and follow up care, and establish common care plan tools that help patients, families and their care team understand their treatments, side effects and next steps.
- Improve data access and use and enhance clinical trial availability.



PRIORITY 4
Eliminate barriers to people getting the care they need

- Increase capacity and resources to ensure easier access to care for those who need support, including improving access to primary care.
- Improve ‘closer-to-home’ access to care to enhance equity and lessen financial, emotional, and physical burdens related to travelling for care.
- Create a simpler system for patients to navigate - eliminate overlap between departments/divisions.
- Ensure adequate supports for people travelling on and off-Island during diagnosis and treatment.
- Consider expanding roles within the cancer system such as a patient advisor role to help patients navigate the system and develop individualized case plans.
- Ensure equitable distribution of care and opportunities for access regardless of background or geographic location.



PRIORITY 5
Deliver supports for patients, families, and caregivers

- Ensure patient information is clear and consistent to improve communication between providers and patients.
- Improve communication between healthcare providers to enhance coordination of care across the cancer journey.
- Provide greater navigation supports throughout the cancer journey and provide information and supports for cancer survivors to enable them to live well after treatment.
- Improve access to palliative care supports and increase home-based palliative care.
- Increase access to homecare and follow up care to strengthen support for patients and caregivers.
- Increase access to supports – including mental health supports for patients, their families and caregivers during and after treatment.

Reporting Back to Islanders

The PEI Cancer Action Plan 2023 to 2028 is the result of hundreds of voices sharing expertise, experiences and perspectives. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who volunteered their time and ideas to shape our strategic directions and areas of action from 2023 to 2028.

This broad range of informed perspectives is integral to positioning PEI's response to patient and cancer system needs as we build a more equitable cancer system for Islanders and tackle challenges of post-pandemic recovery. In the coming years, Health PEI and the Department of Health and Wellness will continue to build community relationships to further support and reduce challenges and disparities in under-served groups in PEI.

Ongoing oversight, implementation and progress reporting is the shared responsibility of Health PEI and the Department of Health and Wellness. Islanders will be kept up to date on progress and impact of the Cancer Action Plan through annual reports and other announcements, including performance indicators and evaluation outcomes. With a commitment to transparency, both successes and challenges will be shared.

Residents are invited to join discussions, committees and share their perspectives to improve quality of care. Through Engage PEI or by making inquiries with the Provincial Cancer Coordinator, Islanders are welcome to learn more, get involved and help shape cancer prevention and care.

Working together we will drive change and lead improvements that value people, quality, and evidence, so all Islanders can live healthier lives and receive high-quality cancer care.

To learn more about cancer control progress in PEI and across Canada, visit the Canadian Strategy for Cancer Control and check out progress indicators

<https://www.partnershipagainstcancer.ca/cancer-strategy/>



Appendix

Participant Details

Patient, family, caregivers

Participants: 19 individuals from diverse backgrounds, lived experiences and personal identity factors including:

- Living with cancer (non-curative or undergoing treatment) or completed treatment in last 3 years
- A family member or caregiver
- New residents to Canada or PEI
- Indigenous heritage
- A member of a visible minority
- Identify as LBGQTQ2S+
- Have lower income or unable to work since diagnosis (long-term disability)
- Without personal/private medical insurance
- Live in rural communities
- Without a primary care provider
- Live alone

Community groups and Indigenous partners

Participants: 23 individuals representing 20 community groups:

Indigenous Partners:

- Abegweit First Nation
- Lennox Island First Nation
- Mi'kmaq Confederacy of PEI
- Native Council of PEI

Equity Deserving Communities:

- BIPOC USHR
- Immigrant & Refugee Services Association (IRSA)
- Le Réseau Santé en français Î.-P.-É.
- PEERS Alliance
- PEI Senior Citizens Federation
- PEI Transgender Network
- Resource Abilities

Non-Government Organizations:

- Camp Triumph
- Canadian Cancer Society
- Community Group Members (including Cancer Survivors)
- Hospice PEI
- PEI Breast Cancer Information Partnership
- PEI Health Coalition

Health system and government stakeholders

Participants: 80+ health system and government stakeholders

Government of PEI:

- Department of Health and Wellness
- Chief Public Health Office
- Provincial EMR Program
- Business Infrastructure Services
- Information Technology and Shared Services
- Department of Social Development and Housing

Healthcare (Administration, Providers, Leadership) :

- Cancer Treatment & Cancer Navigator
- Patient Experience & Navigation
- PEI Cancer Registry
- First Nation Health Centres
- Cancer Screening Programs & Services
- Provincial Programs: Laboratory Services, Pharmacy, Diagnostic Imaging
- Public Health Nursing
- Hospital Services (PCH & QEH)
- Medical Affairs
- Gynecology
- Pediatric Oncology
- Primary Care & Chronic Disease Prevention & Management
- Home-based Care & Provincial Integrated Palliative Care Program
- E-Health Clinical Operations
- Caregiver of someone affected by cancer, 15.67%
- Member of the general public, 29.50%
- Healthcare provider with Health PEI, a non-profit organization or community group, 16.71%
- Other, please specify, 2.87%
- Age breakdown
 - Under 18 years, 0.34%
 - 18 to 34 years, 7.93%
 - 35 to 49 years, 32.07%
 - 50 to 64 years, 38.97%
 - 65 to 75 years, 18.62%
 - 75 or more years, 2.07%
- Participant primary residence
 - City of Charlottetown, 17.59%
 - Queens County (excluding the City of Charlottetown), 39.66%
 - City of Summerside, 9.66%
 - Prince County (excluding the City of Summerside), 18.62%
 - Kings County, 14.48%

General public

Participants: 460 participants from across PEI responded to the survey:

- Most respondents identified as Cis women (80.6%)
- Five people completed the French language survey
- Relationship to cancer:
 - Patient with cancer, 9.92%
 - Cancer survivor, 15.40%
 - Family member or friend of someone affected by cancer, 73.63%

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