Youth Wellness Quest

Finding the right supports for you

Welcome to your Youth Wellness Quest! Below is a checklist that describes different parts of mental health and substance use care. You can use the checklist to note how important each part is for your own care. If you don't know what something is or want to learn more, you can find more information in the **Youth Wellness Quest Guide**. The guide also provides other useful notes, like tips and questions you might want to ask your service provider.

By the end of the checklist, you will have an idea of the types of services and supports that are important for you. You can use your completed checklist to find the services that suit you best. This can help you advocate for your mental health and substance use needs on your Youth Wellness Quest!

Section 1: Types of Services Different types of services I am interested i					
Is this important to me when I am getting support for my mental health or substance use?	How important is this to me?				
	Very	A bit	Not	Does not apply	
Services that interest me					
Help only when I need it (e.g., walk-in counselling)					
Regularly scheduled appointments (outpatient programs)					
Services offered daily (day treatment)					
Help for mental health emergencies (crisis support)					
Living at the place where I will get help (inpatient/residential programs)					
What I want the service to offer					
One-on-one counselling					
Group counselling					
Support for my family					
Online/virtual options					
Support for challenges with my substance use					
Support/accommodation for disabilities (e.g., hearing or visual impairment, physical disabilities)					
Gender, sexuality and sexual orientation support (including support for 2SLGBTQA+ youth)					
Religious/spiritual support					
Cultural support (including services for Indigenous, Black, immigrant and refugee youth)					
Language/interpreter services					



More specific services		
Physical health		
Sexual health		
Help with a job		
Help with my finances		
Sexual harassment/assault-related services		
Help with legal issues		
Pregnancy or parenting support		
Fun activities (e.g., art and music groups)		
Help with school or other types of training		
Help with my eating habits		
Medication		
A professional who can prescribe medicat		
A professional who can offer options other than medication		
Notes:		

Section 2: People Who I Want Support From People I would like to reach out to for support:

		How important is this to me?			
Is this important to me when I am getting support for my mental health or substance use?		A bit	Not	Does not apply	
Family					
Friends					
Caseworkers/care navigators					
Elders and other traditional teachers					
Mental health nurses					
Peer support (people who have experienced similar challenges)					
Psychiatrists					
Psychologists					
Social workers					
Teachers					
Therapists/counsellors					

Notes:

Section 3: Access Things that would help me to get the services I need:					
	How important is this to me?				
Is this important to me when I am getting support for my mental health or substance use?	Very	A bit	Not	Does not apply	
Getting there					
Transportation support					
Locations near me					
Meeting me where I am (e.g., at school)					
Driving and/or parking available					
Mobility device-accessible (e.g., wheelchair)					
After school, evening and weekend appointments					
Free and low-cost services					
Notes:					

Section 4: Confidentiality and Privacy Who I would like to know about my care and to be involved:					
Is this important to me when I am getting support for my mental health or substance use?	How important is this to me?				
	Very	A bit	Not	Does not apply	
Just me					
My family					
My friends					
My school					
Notes:					

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