## **SCREENING AND REFERRAL GUIDE**



### STEP 1: PRIMARY SCREENING QUESTIONS

Ask all your adolescent and adult patients:

- Mental health best practices screening questions and
- Addictions best practices screening questions or use the CAGE-AID

#### STEP 2: FURTHER SCREENING AND ASSESSMENT

If the answer to any primary screening question is 'yes' you and your patient can involve:

- Alcohol and Drug Services (ADS)
- Mental Health Services (MHS)
- Yukon Family Services Association (YFSA)
- Use the Referral/Request for Services form and fax it to the agency you and your patient consider most appropriate

#### **STEP 3: SHARING CARE**

ADS, MHS and YFSA can share the care of people with mental health and addictions problems with you. This can include case conferences, consultation and joint care planning.

### PRIMARY SCREENING QUESTIONS:

## For Mental Health Screening Health Canada Best Practices recommends asking:

- Have you ever been given a mental health diagnosis by a qualified mental health professional?
- Have you ever been hospitalized for a mental health-related illness?
- Have you ever harmed yourself or thought about harming yourself but not as a direct result of alcohol or drug use?

#### For Addictions Screening Health Canada Best Practices recommends asking:

- Have you ever had any problems related to your use of alcohol or other drugs?
- Has a relative, friend, doctor or other health worker been concerned about your drinking or other drug use or suggested cutting down?
- Have you ever said to another person "No, I don't have (an alcohol or drug) problem", when around the same time, you questioned yourself and FELT, "Maybe I do have a problem"?

## For Addictions Screening you can also use:

## CAGE-AID (Cut-down, Angry, Guilty, Eye-opener)

- Have you ever thought you ought to cut down on your drinking or drug use?
- Have people annoyed you by criticizing your drinking or drug use?
- Have you felt bad or guilty about your drinking or drug use?
- Have you ever had a drink or used drugs first thing in the morning to steady your nerves or get rid of a hangover or to get the day started?





# **CONTACTING ADS, MHS AND YFSA**



## **ALCOHOL AND DRUG SERVICE (ADS)**

Sarah Steele Building, 6118 6th Ave., Whitehorse, YT, Y1A 1M9

Counselling and Treatment:

Whitehorse: (867) 667-5777
From communities: 1-800-661-0408
Fax: (867) 667-8471

Drop in: Tuesdays, 09:00-11:00

Detox: (collect calls accepted) (867) 667-8473

## **MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES (MHS)**

Whitehorse: (867) 667-8346
From communities: (collect calls accepted) (867) 667-8346
Fax: (867) 667-8372

# YUKON FAMILY SERVICES ASSOCIATION (YFSA)

Whitehorse office (Carmacks) and Youth Outreach Program: (867) 667-2970 Fax: (867) 633-3557 From communities (collect calls accepted) (867) 667-2970 Yukon communities: Dawson City Office (867) 993-6455 Fax: (867) 993-6456 (for Dawson, Mayo and Pelly Crossing) Haines Junction Office (867) 634-2111 Fax: (867) 634-2333 (for Haines Junction, Beaver Creek, Burwash Landing, Destruction Bay) Watson Lake Fax: (867) 536-7854 (867) 536-2330



