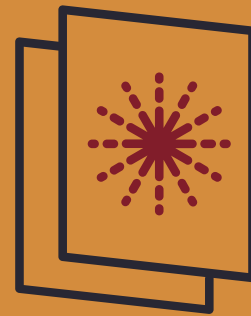




# Federal Government

## Introductory Statement

The Federal Sub-Working Group was established in September 2020 to advise on the development of the federal component of the National Action Plan, which is the *Federal Pathway to Address Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls and 2SLGBTQQIA+ People*.



## Highlights/Current Progress

### Development of the Federal Pathway

- ★ The Federal Pathway is the Government of Canada's proposed path forward to end violence against Indigenous women, girls and 2SLGBTQQIA+ people. It is also the federal government's specific contribution to the National Action Plan.
- ★ The Federal Pathway takes a comprehensive and holistic approach to address the root causes of violence, and outlines the concrete commitments and actions that will be taken in four key areas:



Culture



Health &  
Wellness



Human Safety  
& Security



Justice



- ★ Federal departments also have their own engagement structures, in the form of advisory councils or engagement tables. Through these mechanisms, they have engaged and collaborated with Indigenous partners on the initiatives included in the Federal Pathway.
- ★ This engagement helped ensure that the Federal Pathway is inclusive, holistic and reflects the distinct and diverse perspectives, circumstances and needs of Indigenous Peoples across the country, no matter where they live.

## Priorities and Next Steps

- ★ The Federal Pathway is a living document that will continue to be adapted over time in partnership with Indigenous Peoples based on emerging needs and priorities.
- ★ Work will continue with Indigenous and provincial-territorial partners to develop a comprehensive Implementation Plan for the initiatives laid out in the Federal Pathway.
- ★ Next steps include:
  - ★ Developing a draft Implementation Plan by July 2021;
  - ★ Validating the draft Implementation Plan with the National Action Plan structure and other partners in July – August 2021; and,
  - ★ Finalizing and launching the Implementation Plan in Fall 2021.

## Closing Statement

The federal government remains committed to continue working with partners to end violence against Indigenous women, girls and 2SLGBTQQIA+ people, and views the development and implementation of the Federal Pathway as an important step in that direction.

Ending this national tragedy requires a whole-of-government, and whole-of-Canada approach. It will require a concerted national effort from all people living in Canada and from all levels of governments from coast to coast to coast.

## Membership

The Federal Sub-Working Group is comprised of First Nations, Inuit and Métis representatives, as well as representatives at the Assistant Deputy Minister level from the following federal departments: Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada, Women and Gender Equality Canada, Employment and Social Development Canada, Public Safety Canada, Justice Canada, Canadian Heritage, Indigenous Services Canada, Statistics Canada, and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

