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The First Nations Information Governance Centre (FNIGC)

- Rooted in the mid-1990s work to develop OCAP® and the Regional Health Survey
- A First Nations non-profit, incorporated in August 2010 following a mandate from the Assembly of First Nations Chiefs in Assembly (#48–2009)
- Guided by principles, research ethics, and a cultural framework developed by First Nations for First Nations
- Nations come together through Regional processes; Regions come together to do region-by-region national-level work



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- **VISION:** FNIGC envisions that every First Nation will achieve data sovereignty in alignment with its distinct worldview.
- **MISSION:** With First Nations, we assert data sovereignty and support the development of information governance and management at the community level through regional and national partnerships. We adhere to free, prior, and informed consent, respect nation-to-nation relationships, and recognize the distinct customs of nations.



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➤ New Core Strategic Objectives:

- Our approach is Community-driven and Nation-based
- Our data are inclusive, meaningful, and relevant to First Nations
- Our tools are effective, adaptable, and accessible
- Our partnerships connect regions to strengthen data sovereignty



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First Nations Principles of OCAP®



- Ownership, Control, Access and Possession
- Collection, protection, use, and sharing of First Nations data
- Benefits community while minimizing harm
- Self-determination and preservation and development of culture



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Fundamentals of OCAP®

Welcome to Fundamentals of OCAP®, FNIGC's first online training program

The First Nations Information Governance Centre (FNIGC) is pleased to introduce the "*Fundamentals of OCAP®*", a new online training course developed in partnership with Algonquin College.

This comprehensive overview of the First Nations principles of OCAP® (Ownership, Control, Access and Possession) is a result of the requests we have received in recent years from First Nations, students, researchers, academics, federal officials and other interested individuals - nationally and internationally who are looking to gain a better understanding of OCAP® and how it pertains to principled research, data sovereignty, and information governance that respects First Nations.

On behalf of FNIGC, I hope you enjoy this online course and apply the valuable lessons and learning outcomes in your work with First Nations. We value your feedback and recommendations for this course and future training programs to be developed by the FNIGC, so please let us know if there is any way we might improve this course.

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Regional Health Survey (RHS)

- Piloted in 1997
- Designed to collect information on health, well-being, and social determinants of health
- Phase 1 (2002/03) and 2 (2008/10) are available in the Data Centre
- Phase 3 (2018) data is now available
- RHS is considered *the* reliable source of info about life in 630+ communities across Canada
- RHS4: 2018-2023



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FN Regional Early Childhood, Education, and Employment Survey (FNREEES)

- Launched in 2013 to address a long-standing data gap
- FNREEES was a unique initiative, marking the first time this breadth of information had ever been collected
- 20,429 First Nations children, youth, and adults in 243 communities
- 2016 Report showed strong associations between the importance of language, culture, and family and educational, employment, and health & wellbeing outcomes



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FN Labour and Employment Development Survey (FNLED)

- Launching in 2018-19, FNLED will gather labour market information about employment, labour, jobs, skills, and development in FN communities across Canada
- An important extension of work done by FNIGC and its Regional partners, building on RHS and, specifically, FNREEES
- 19,000+ First Nations youth and adults in 230 communities
- Final Report expected in 2021



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First Nations Community Survey

The First Nations Community Survey seeks to collect information, at a community level, across 12 thematic areas.

- External environment
- Shelter and infrastructure
- Housing
- Food and nutrition
- Employment & Economic Development
- Early Childhood Development
- Education
- Justice and Safety
- Health Services
- Social Services
- First Nations Identity
- First Nations Governance



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THE FIRST NATIONS DATA CENTRE

A service of the First Nations Information Governance Centre



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Types of Data Requests at the FNDC

- Special Purpose Custom Tabulations
- General Purpose Custom Tabulations
- Collaborative Research Services
- On-site data access



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Budget 2018:

- **\$2.5 million to FNIGC to design a National Data Governance Strategy; and**
- **Coordinate the establishment of Regional Information Governance Centres**



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Budget 2019:

- To ensure that First Nations have the information they need to serve their members well, Budget 2019 proposes to provide \$78.9 million over seven years, starting in 2019–20, with \$13.7 million per year ongoing, to permanently fund the Surveys on Indigenous Peoples and the First Nations Regional Health Survey. These surveys provide important information on education, health, employment and language proficiency—information that is needed for decision-making in First Nations communities and for designing programs and services tailored to community needs. These surveys are conducted under the leadership of the First Nations Information Governance Centre, in collaboration with Statistics Canada.



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Thank You!

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