



## The Addictions Management Information System (AMIS) is Expanding!



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The Thunderbird Partnership Foundation is a leading culturally centred voice in Canada on Indigenous substance use and mental wellness research, advocating for partnerships that involve integrated and wholistic approaches to healing and wellness for First Nations. Thunderbird promotes research and collaboration to empower Hope, Belonging, Meaning, and Purpose within First Nations communities. Thunderbird's mandate is to implement the Honouring Our Strengths: A Renewed Framework to address Substance Use Issues Among First Nations People in Canada (HOS) and the First Nations Mental Wellness Continuum (FNMWC) framework.

The Thunderbird Partnership Foundation is a non-profit organization and a division of the National Native Addictions Partnership Foundation Inc.



### Wanted 50 First Nation communities with:

- a strong working relationship with Treatment Centres – National Native Alcohol and Drug Abuse Program (NNADAP) and/or National Youth Solvent Abuse Program (NYSAP)
- a community-based addiction program with no specific link to treatment centres with:
  - a day program,
  - an outpatient program, or
  - a residential program
- a land-based program with or without a community-based clinical program



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## Background

AMIS is a screening and case management system used by treatment centres (NNADAP and NYSAP).

**AMIS is now being expanded for First Nations community-based substance use and addictions programs!**

### AMIS:








- collects culture-based evidence that can be used to inform client care,
- demonstrates the strengths of NNADAP/NYSAP,
- offers various reports that can be used to support funding requirements,
- can support research initiatives, and
- can provide the evidence to support ongoing/enhanced funding for NNADAP/NYSAP and community-based programs across Canada.

### Two valid, reliable, and culturally sensitive outcome measures are collected in the AMIS database:

1. **Drug Use Screening Inventory (DUSI-** Revised: adult and youth versions)
  - Assesses addictions and mental health.
  - Contains a trauma scale that is specific to First Nations context and experience.
2. **The Native Wellness Assessment™ (NWA™)**
  - Measures the impact of culture to Hope, Belonging, Meaning, and Purpose.
  - Also measures the connection to culture to clearly demonstrate the difference culture makes in mental wellness.

## Advantages of using AMIS



-  A national database on First Nations drug and alcohol use and culturally based treatment services across Canada.
-  A secure database that prevents unauthorized access to the data and protects the data from corruption and deletion.
-  Improves the integrity of the data through automatic data checks that occur during data entry.
-  Automatically generated annual reports are created to help centres and communities tell their own story, monitor trends, and meet outcome collection and funding criteria.
-  The electronic record makes data/information more available to service providers. With the client's consent, it can move with the client from one service provider to another so that one client record will provide an overall picture of how the client has progressed through his/her treatment.
-  Prevents the need for repeating outcome measures within a short timeframe and re-entering demographic and history into the system.
-  Software, training, and ongoing support is free.

**Disadvantage:** Requires access to high-speed internet.

## Interested?

Please send an email to [amis@thunderbirdpf.org](mailto:amis@thunderbirdpf.org) to find out more about the expansion. We will arrange a Zoom session with you.

*Note: We are seeking individuals to be part of the expansion development group so the system can be modified with ongoing attention to meet community-based service specific needs.*