Implementing Universal Prevention Programs for Children and Youth Healthy Child Manitoba:

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2:00 Eastern

Thank you for joining us. We will begin the webinar momentarily.



Implementing Universal Prevention Programs for Children and Youth



Presentation Overview

- Part I: Healthy Child Manitoba: History and Overview (Leanne Boyd)
- Part II: The PAX Good Behavior Game (Dr. Dennis Embry)
- Part III: Provincial Pilot and Evaluation of PAX in Manitoba (Dr. Rob Santos)

PARTI



Healthy Child Manitoba: History and Overview

Healthy Child Manitoba Vision

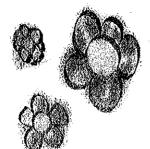
The best possible outcomes for Manitoba's children and youth (prenatal











Healthy Child Manitoba Mission

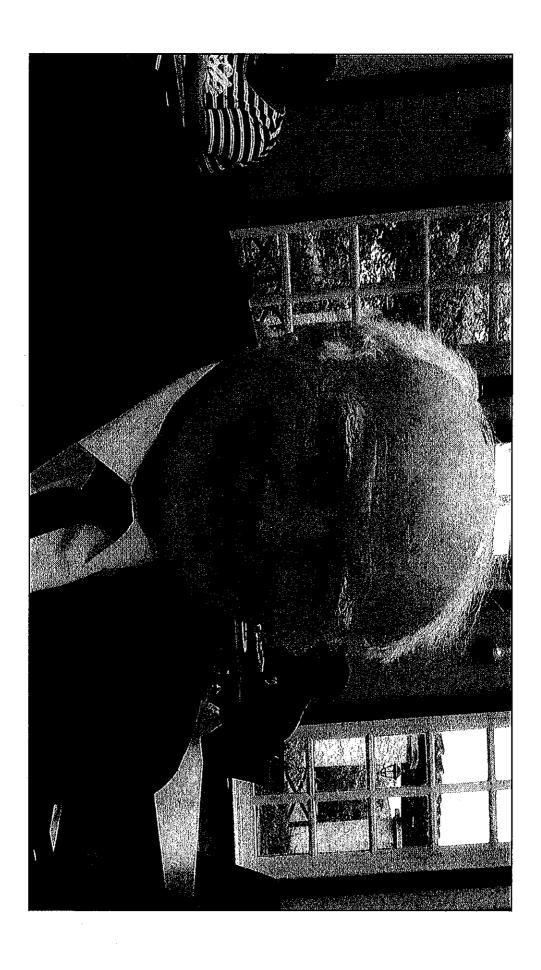


Healthy Child Manitoba works across departments and sectors to facilitate community development for the well-being of Manitoba's children, youth, families, and

communities.

With a priority focus on early childhood development (ECD: prenatal to school entry).





A Brief History in Manitoba

- 1993 Dr. Fraser Mustard's ECD "baptism" in Winnipeg
- 1994 Children and Youth Secretariat (Conservative), analysis of top 200 most at-risk children and youth in
- 1995 The Health of Manitoba's Children report (the "Postl report") released
- 1997 Children First Strategy announced (Conservative)
- 2000 Healthy Child Manitoba Strategy and Healthy Child Committee of Cabinet announced (New Democratic Party – labour party)
- 2007 Healthy Child Manitoba Act proclaimed (all-party Legislative Assembly of Manitoba)

The Healthy Child Manitoba Act

- Enabling legislation for Healthy Child Manitoba, the Government of Manitoba's long-term, cross-departmental prevention and early intervention strategy for children and youth (prenatal 18 years), proclaimed in December 2007
- Purpose is to achieve best possible outcomes for Manitoba's children (policy emphasis on early childhood development)
- Legislated cross-sectoral government and community structures for children and youth
- Authority to collect and link data across sectors and across time (horizontal and longitudinal)
- Requirement for regular public reporting on progress in child and youth development
- http://web2.gov.mb.ca/laws/statutes/ccsm/h037e.php

Committee of Cabinet .eadership: Manitoba's Premier and Healthy

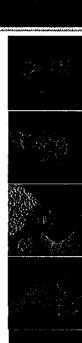


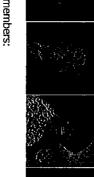
*Established in March 2000 by Premier Gary Doer (1999-2009)

Founding Chair of HCCC: Minister Tim Sale (1999-2006)*

Only legislated Cabinet committee in Canada dedicated to the well-being of children:

















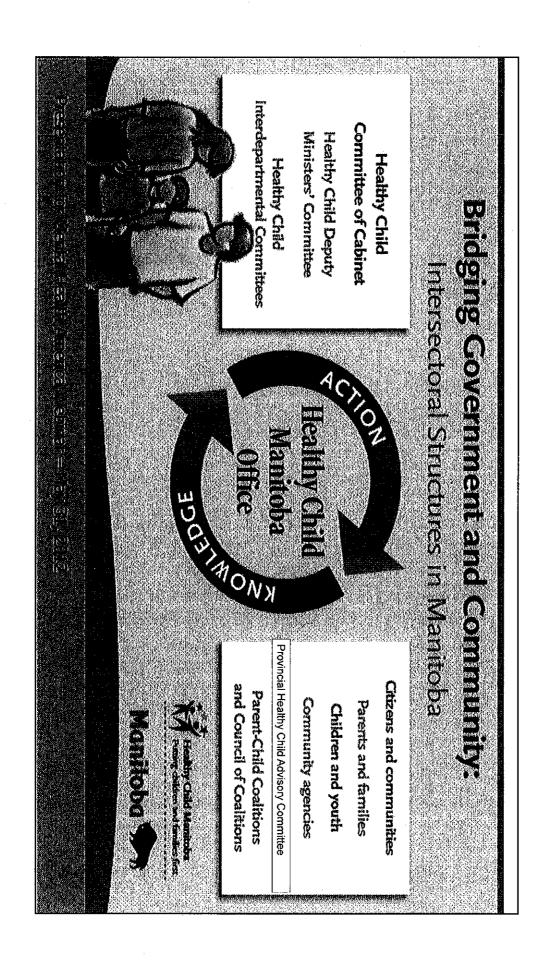
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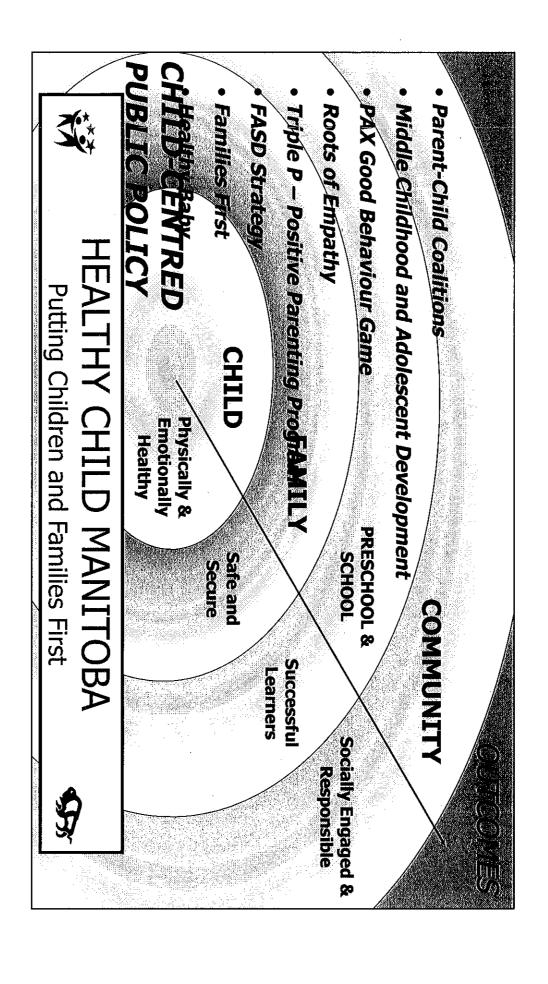
- Kevin Chief, Minister of Children and Youth Opportunities (Chair)
- Eric Robinson, Minister of Aboriginal and Northern Affairs Flor Marcelino, Minister of Culture, Heritage and Tourism

Premier of Manitoba Finance Minister (2009 - present) Greg Selinger

(1999-2009)

- Nancy Allan, Minister of Education
- Jennifer Howard, Minister of Family Services and Labour, Minister Responsible for the Status of Women
- Theresa Oswald, Minister of Health (past HCCC Chair)
- Jim Rondeau, Minister of Healthy Living, Seniors and Consumer Affairs (past HCCC Chair)
- Kerri Irvin-Ross, Minister of Housing and Community Development (past HCCC Chair)
- Christine Melnick, Minister of Immigration and Multiculturalism
- Andrew Swan, Minister of Justice and Attorney General





Successes:

Child- and Youth-Centred Public Policy

- Strategy, Healthy Child Deputy Ministers' Committee, Healthy Child Manitoba Office (HCMO), Healthy Child Provincial Advisory Committee, Parent-Child Coalitions, HCMO Annual Report, 5-Year Report on MB Children (forthcoming) The Healthy Child Manitoba Act: enshrined the Healthy Committee of Cabinet (HCCC), the Healthy Child Manitoba
- jurisdictions) recognized locally, nationally and internationally as a policy leader in serving children and youth (HCCC the envy of other
- increased from \$12.8M to \$28.4M (121% increase) increased priority and investment in early childhood development (ECD), e.g., from 2000 to 2009, HCMO budget

Successes:

HCMO-led programs ("incubation")

Healthy Baby (Manitoba Prenatal Benefit and Community Support Programs), Families First, Stop FASD, Triple P – Positive Parenting Program, Roots of Empathy, PAX Good Behaviour Game (underway)

HCMO evidence and evaluation

- Children at birth: Families First Screening (FFS)
- Children at transition to school: Early Development Instrument (EDI)
- School-aged children: Youth Health Survey (second one in 2012/13)
- convincing evaluation results: Families First, Roots of Empathy, Healthy Baby
- convincing evaluations of pilots: Life Skills Training, Healthy Buddies, PAX Good Behaviour Game (underway)

Successes:

HCCC influence across departments

Examples: Neighbourhoods Alive!, Children's Therapy Initiative (CTI), interdepartmental protocols, Healthy Kids Healthy Futures task force, FASD Strategy, Family Choices, Changes for Children, Reclaiming Hope, All Aboard, autism strategy, crime prevention

HCCC shared understanding

- early childhood development (ECD)
- investment in early brain development and long-term prosperity
- brain development in early adolescence
- children's vulnerability. SES gradients and developmental trajectories
- best policy mix for children and youth: universal, targeted, clinical
- programs that do more harm than good