

July 2018

You can find our previous updates that include our initial findings here.

IFSD is pleased to provide this third monthly update for July 2018 activities to its stakeholders on the progress of the First Nations Child and Family Services (FNCFS) project.

IFSD has been focused on analysis of the data shared by agencies throughout the month of July. We are continuing our analysis by developing agency typologies and a cost estimation model from the data shared by agencies.

To enhance the cost estimation model, **IFSD needs your help**.

Are you willing to offer more insight into your agency's resource profile? We are looking for agencies who are willing to share their experiences in writing or in conversation (by phone) to offer perspective on the following six questions:

- Has your agency had to refuse service to a child on-reserve due to a lack of resources? Y/N
- Has your agency had to refuse service to a child off-reserve due to a lack of resources? Y/N

- How would you characterize your agency's budget relative to its activities (select one of the following):
 - a) insufficient; b) somewhat insufficient; c) neither sufficient nor insufficient; d) somewhat sufficient; e) sufficient?
- Do you consider your protection budget to be sufficient relative to the population your agency serves? Y/N

(IFSD data suggests an average per capita cost of \$15,000 per child in the total potential population served, among a large number of jurisdictions.)

- If your budget is insufficient, by how much?
 a) 10% b) 20% c) 30% d) more than 30%
- Do you consider your prevention budget to be sufficient relative to the population your agency serves? Y/N
 - If your budget is insufficient, by how much?
 a) 10% b) 20% c) 30% d) more than 30%
- If you had a larger budget for your agency, how would you allocate resources (e.g. hire more staff, capital investments, offer more programming etc.)?

If you would like to include your agency's experiences: complete the six questions online via SurveyMonkey or contact us to schedule a phone call.

Please complete the questions or contact us by Friday, August 24, 2018.

Next steps

IFSD will be testing its cost estimation model during the month of August using different clusters of agency typologies to better understand cost-drivers and resources gaps.

To showcase and share your program innovations, IFSD is developing profiles of programs in prevention, protection, addictions management, mental health, violence prevention and family support. If you would like a program included in our analysis, <u>contact us</u>.

Contact information

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