



# Red River Métis Health Legislation

## Consultations: Priorities for Citizens

### The Journey Towards Health Equity

Despite ongoing challenges, the MMF has made progress in recognition, equity, and empowerment for the Red River Métis community.

Collaborative efforts between the MMF, governments, and our communities are essential to translate these advancements into increased access to healthcare, more culturally appropriate services and improve the health and well-being of Citizens. By committing to cooperation and inclusivity, we can create a healthcare system that meets the diverse needs of Red River Métis, honoring our cultural heritage, and upholding our rights.



Closing jurisdictional gaps; ensuring legislation facilitates equitable access to public health services and health care.



Ensuring cultural and anti-indigenous racism training for health care professionals.



Support for Métis-specific traditional medicine practices and health infrastructure.



Ensuring adequate support for primary care, mental health, home and palliative care.



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## Advancing Healthcare for Red River Métis: A Path to Recognition and Equity

Due to past and current health care and political systems, the Manitoba Red River Métis people find themselves in a "jurisdictional wasteland" with inequitable health coverage, leading to poor health outcomes.

Fortunately, recent political victories such as Daniels Decision (2016), UNDRIP (2007), and the self-governing agreement (2021) have paved the way for positive change and progress.

## Your Rights and Distinctions-Based Legislation

Red River Métis-specific legislation recognizes our communities right to health. This legislative initiative builds upon Daniels Decision (2016), which formally recognized Métis as "Indians" under the Canadian Constitution, *affirming their right to federal programs and services, including healthcare.*

The Government of Canada has committed to working in partnership with Indigenous communities to co-develop distinctions-based health legislation, guided by principles such as UNDRIP.

**MMF will continue to work for it's Citizens with the governments to establish overarching principles that consider the unique needs of Métis communities, transforming health service delivery, emphasizing rights, respect, co-operation, and partnership.**



## Consultations

Consultations provide an opportunity to understand the specific health needs and concerns of the Red River Métis community.

From our most recent consultations, we heard that many Citizens struggle to access the care they need.

MMF voices the needs of its' Citizens by using the information from consultations in discussions with Federal and Provincial governments on proposed legislation, ensuring it is effective and aligns with our community's priorities and aspirations.

