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Hello Everyone!

October was a super busy month for the HOS: CasI project. Read more and you will find out!

Native Wellness Assessment (NWA) piloting with Treatment Centres:

As we continue our pilot testing of the NWA this month, we are delighted to be joined by ten additional treatment centres. We are also awaiting confirmation from other centres to begin piloting in upcoming weeks. Thanks to the involvement of existing treatment centres and the centres that have recently joined or are expected to join our pilot testing, we are optimistic that our sample will be a sufficient size to perform a sound assessment of the instrument. We are extremely grateful to all treatment centres who have contributed to the piloting process which will soon come to a close by the end of December 2014.

Recipe Cards:

Sharing our recipe cards has been a great success, bringing awareness of the project to people across the country and beyond. While the focus of our initial efforts was on centres sharing recipes to showcase the connection between cooking and culture, other people have expressed interest in contributing to the recipe collection. We've created a '*cooking with community*' section on the recipe page (www.tinyurl.com/cookingasculture) so that everyone might share a favorite recipe or two!

Presentations and Publications Submitted for Review:

- Barb and Colleen presented at the FASD Live conference in Saskatoon on October 7, 2014 to a full and enthusiastic room! Afterwards they were interviewed by MBC (Missinipi Broadcasting Corporation).
- Below are writings that have recently been or are soon to be submitted. We gratefully acknowledge the full HOS: CasI team in *all* our writings.
 - "Research as Cultural Renewal: Applying Two-Eyed Seeing in a Research Project about Cultural Interventions in First Nations Addictions Treatment" has been submitted to *The International Indigenous Policy Journal* (by Laura and the writing team).
 - "Travelling the Möbius Strip: The Influence of Two-Eyed Seeing in the Development of Indigenous Research Accomplices" will be published as part of an edited collection in a book called *Indigenous Health from a Multidisciplinary Global Perspective* (by Barb and the writing team).
 - "A scoping study of cultural interventions to treat addictions in Indigenous populations: Methods, strategies, and insights from a Two-Eyed Seeing approach" has been submitted to the *BMC Medical Research Methodology* (by the Scoping Study Committee).

Please be in touch at any time to share your input and ideas about these or any other aspects of the project going forward by emailing or calling me, Margo Rowan at mar805@mail.usask.ca or 613-841-7520, or our Project Manager, Barb Fornssler, at barb.fornssler@usask.ca or 306-966-7894.