

Working Together at

Prince George Regional Correctional Centre

ReVOII - ITRP - CTT

We respectfully acknowledge that the land on which we work is within the ancestral, traditional, and unceded territory of Lheidli T'enneh First Nations

ReVOII - *Repeat Violent Offending Intervention Initiative*

In November 2022, Premier David Eby KC announced the [Safer Communities Action Plan](#). Part of this plan included the government's commitment to tackle repeat violent offending in communities throughout British Columbia.

Building on a key recommendation from the report "[A Rapid Investigation into Repeat Offending and Random Stranger Violence in British Columbia](#)," a working group consisting of representatives from BC Corrections, the BC Prosecution Service and Policing and Security Branch have developed and implemented a program that builds on the prior prolific offender management model that ended in 2012. BC Corrections is the lead agency in the development and implementation of the Repeat Violent Offending Intervention Initiative.

ReVOII is focused on intervening in situations involving repeat violent offending by prioritized individuals. ReVOII recognizes that those who engage in repeated acts of violence within the community present a public safety risk.

BC CORRECTIONS

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A key component of the Safer Communities Action Plan, ReVOII is a community focused initiative that intends to leverage local knowledge and partners to intervene in repeat violent offending in BC communities.

The following resources have been funded to support this program

Police Service Branch:

- The Program is complemented by ongoing work within PSB to establish the Special Investigation and Targeted Enforcement Program (SITE). SITE is expected to enhance police investigations into repeat violent offending cases, and will support the new teams of prosecutors, police, and probation officers.

BC Prosecution Service:

- 21 Crown Counsel
- 21 BCPS Professional Staff to establish and support the dedicated prosecution teams.

BC Corrections:

- HQ Project Team including director, program manager, policy and program analyst, and senior researcher to centrally develop, coordinate, and evaluate the program;
- Nine correctional supervisor and nine probation officers based in correctional centres for release planning; and
- 12 probation officers based in community corrections offices to support community site teams.



Program Hub Locations

- Terrace
- Prince George
- Williams Lake
- Kamloops
- Kelowna
- Abbotsford
- Surrey
- New Westminster
- Vancouver
- Victoria
- Nanaimo
- Cranbrook

Custody Team Locations

- Prince George Regional Correctional Centre
- Okanagan Correctional Centre
- Fraser Regional Correctional Centre
- Alouette Correctional Centre for Women
- Surrey Pretrial Services Centre
- North Fraser Pretrial Centre
- Vancouver Island Regional Correctional Centre
- Nanaimo Correctional Centre
- Kamloops Regional Correctional Centre

ReVOII Custody Teams

The PGRCC ReVOII team works with repeat violent offenders. At PGRCC we work on as much as we can to make their release successful and to allow them to become contributing members of society.



Engage in Local
Hub Meetings



Monitor CORNET for
New Admissions
with ReVOII Alerts



Enhanced Case
Management &
Release Planning



Conduct
Notifications



Information
Sharing

- Interview each person to find out their specific needs and collaborate with outside partners to meet these needs.
- Help them apply for BC Housing assistance if they are homeless.
- Connecting them with the resources that will help them successfully reintegrate back into community.
- Assisting them with ID replacement.
- Complete referrals to community partners for mental health needs clients to ensure continuity of care.
- Work closely with Community Corrections and RCMP through monthly meetings to go over client case load and heightened enforcement for better public safety.
- We will get one of our community partners like Salvation army to provide clothing for individuals if their clothing is unfit to wear upon release.
- Setting up travel back to their home community whether it be a bus ticket, train ticket, or one of our community partners that provide rides to our clients to make sure that they get home safely.
- Connecting them with the resources that will help them successfully reintegrate back into community.
- Assist them with calls to employers for work.
- Deliver programs in custody to help change thinking and reduce recidivism like Living without Violence.

Qualification Requirements

To qualify for inclusion in the program, individuals must possess the following criteria:

1. A recent history of violent offending (violent convictions within the last 5 years)
2. A predicate violent offence: The definition of “violent offences” includes:
 - i) Actual and/or perceived violence, threat of violence, or the use of/possession of a weapon; OR
 - ii) Property and other offences which contain a component of violence, intimidation, or the threat of violence; OR
 - iii) Administrative offences resulting from an alleged or substantiated violation of an order where the substantive offence is a violent offence.

Exclusion Conditions

One or more of the following factors will disqualify an individual from inclusion in this program:

- Individuals, who by virtue of their age at the time they committed the predicate offence, would be prosecuted pursuant to the *Youth Criminal Justice Act*.
- Individuals whose predicate offence is a homicide or resulted in the death of another human being.
- Individuals whose predicate offence is an intimate partner violence offence and whose criminal history is comprised primarily of intimate partner violence offences.
- Individuals whose predicate offence and criminal history are primarily related to organized crime or gang conflict.
- Individuals who do not have a history of violent offending OR where the history of violent offending is from over five years ago.
- Individuals whose predicate offence lacks an element of violence or threat of violence.

Community Partners

The ReVOII Custody Team at the Prince George Regional Correctional Centre collaborates with the following community partners to provide enhanced release planning for our clients:

- Community Living British Columbia (CLBC);
- Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction (SDPR);
- Forensics Psychiatric Services;
- Prince George Urban Aboriginal Justice Society (PGUAJS);
- Prince George Nechako Aboriginal Employment and Training Association (PGNAETA);
- Prince George Native Friendship Centre (PGNFC);
- First Nations Health Authority (FNHA);
- Asante FASD/Neurodevelopmental Services;
- College of New Caledonia (CNC);
- The Pounds Project;
- Prince George Brain Injury Group (BIG);
- BC Housing;
- Northern Health;
- Niislaa Naay Healing House Society;
- Foundry Prince George;
- Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA);
- KSAAN Society;
- Unlocking the Gates;
- Northern BC Therapeutic Community (formerly Baldy Hughes Therapeutic Community).
- Carrier Sekani Family Services;
- Prince George and Fort St. John Intensive Case Management Team (ICMT);
- Tl'etinqox Government;
- Witset First Nation;
- Wilp Si'Satxw Community Healing Centre;
- North Wind Healing Centre;
- Cedars Recovery;
- Vision Quest Recovery Society;
- Phoenix Society;
- New Vision Society;
- Lakeside Counselling & Facilitation;
- Provincial Health Services Authority (PHSA);
- Red Fish Healing Centre;
- Gya'Wa'Tlaab Healing Centre;
- Association Advocating for Women in the Community (AWAC);
- Community Transition Team (CTT);
- Connective; and

IRP – *Integrated Release Planning*

The goal of this program is to identify and support clients who do not meet the Integrated Transitional and Release Planning (ITRP) criteria but would benefit from the case planning ITRP offers.

ITRP: HIP – *Homelessness Intervention Program*

HIP is a partnership with BC Corrections, the Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction, BC Housing and various health authorities and community agencies we are please to offer an Integrated Transitional Release Planning and Homelessness Intervention Project.



Key Elements of the ITRP Program

**Voluntary
Client
Engagement**

**Collaboration
Between
Stakeholders**

**Risk & Needs
Assessment**

**Resource
Coordination**

**Focus on
High &
Medium Risk
Clients**

**Transition
Support**

**Community
Collaboration**

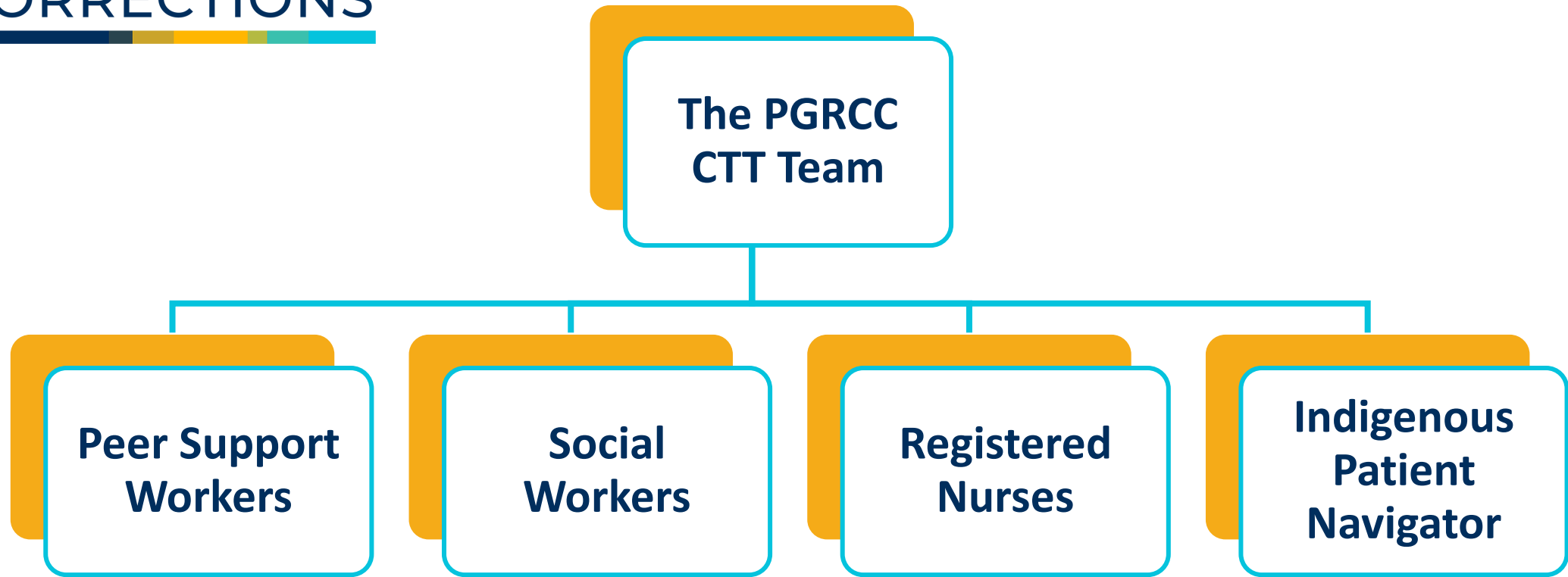
The overarching goal of the ITRP program is to facilitate a smoother and safer transition from incarceration to community life, reducing the likelihood of reoffending by providing structure, resources, and coordinated support. The program ensures that both clients and their communities are supported through this transition, fostering safer and more sustainable outcomes.

Additional Services

- Support with applications for birth certificates, social assistance, ICBC payments, and treatment programs.
- Partnerships with local agencies like Unlocking the Gates for client transportation.
- Assistance with housing applications and ongoing coordination with Coordinated Access for housing.
- Close coordination with parole officers and community probation officers to ensure smooth transitions.
- Involvement with Northern Health to plan and support mental health clients prior to release.

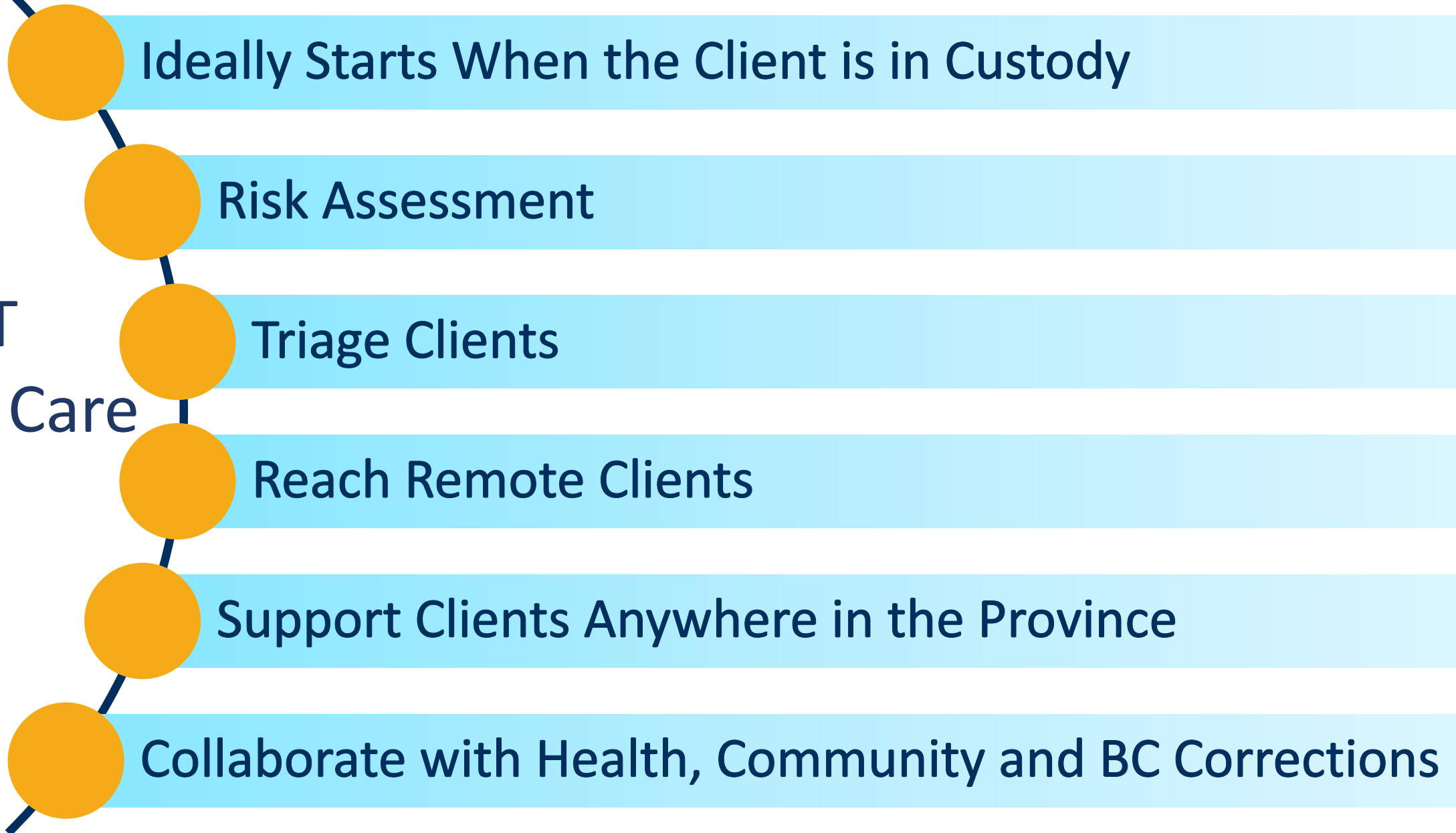
People in custody are much more likely to live with a mental illness or substance use than the general population. In fact, up to 60 per cent of people in custody have either a mental illness, substance use, or both. CTT is a team within the BC Mental Health and Substance Use Services provided by the Provincial Health Services Authority. The CTT program's aim is to connect clients to community services.

Community transition teams aim to reduce overdose deaths, enhance health outcomes, and reduce harms associated with repeat involvement with the criminal justice system. The CTTS use a client-centred, holistic, trauma-informed, culturally informed, sensitive and strengths-based approach to care for people. Care is provided for up to 90 days post release.



These are the folks going into the Correctional Centre, collaborating with health care staff and BC Corrections, meeting with clients and then ultimately meeting with clients upon release and helping to settle folks in community by handing over care to health care providers, community supports and services and health authorities.

CTT
Clinical Care



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