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his Integrated Resource Package (IRP) provides basic information teachers will require in order to implement Health and Career Education K to 7. Once fully implemented, this document will supersede the *Personal Planning K to 7 Integrated Resource Package* (1999).

The information contained in this document is also available on the Internet at www.bced.gov.bc.ca/irp/irp.htm

The following paragraphs provide brief descriptions of the components of the IRP.

INTRODUCTION

The Introduction provides general information about Health and Career Education K to 7, including special features and requirements.

Included in this section are

- a rationale for teaching Health and Career Education K to 7 in BC schools
- the curriculum goals
- descriptions of the curriculum organizers and suborganizers – groupings for prescribed learning outcomes that share a common focus
- an overview of the curriculum content

CONSIDERATIONS FOR PROGRAM DELIVERY

This section of the IRP contains additional information to help educators develop their school practices and plan their program delivery to meet the needs of all learners.

PRESCRIBED LEARNING OUTCOMES

This section contains the *prescribed learning outcomes*, the legally required content standards for the provincial education system. The learning outcomes define the required attitudes, skills, and knowledge for each subject. They are statements of what students are expected to know and be able to do by the end of the indicated grade.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

This section of the IRP contains information about classroom assessment and measuring student achievement, including sets of specific achievement indicators for each prescribed learning outcome. Achievement indicators are statements that describe what students should be able to do in order to demonstrate that they fully meet the expectations set out by the prescribed learning outcomes. Achievement indicators are not mandatory; they are provided to assist in assessing how well students achieve the prescribed learning outcomes.

Also included in this section are key elements – descriptions of content that help determine the intended depth and breadth of the prescribed learning outcomes.

CLASSROOM ASSESSMENT MODEL

This section contains a series of assessment units that address clusters of learning outcomes organized by topic or theme. The units have been developed by BC educators, and are provided to support classroom assessment. These units are suggestions only – teachers may use or modify the units as they plan for the implementation of this curriculum.

Each grade in the model contains an Assessment Overview Table intended to support teachers with their assessment practices, and the assessment units organized by topic – including the prescribed learning outcomes and a sequence of suggested assessment activities for each topic. Sample assessment instruments are also included for each grade.

LEARNING RESOURCES

This section contains general information on learning resources, and provides a link to the titles, descriptions, and ordering information for the recommended learning resources in the Health and Career Education K to 7 Grade Collections.

GLOSSARY

The glossary defines selected terms used in this Integrated Resource Package.



INTRODUCTION

his Integrated Resource Package (IRP) sets out the provincially prescribed curriculum for Health and Career Education Kindergarten to Grade 7 (HCE K to 7). The development of this IRP has been guided by the principles of learning:

- Learning requires the active participation of the student.
- People learn in a variety of ways and at different rates.
- Learning is both an individual and a group process.

In addition to these three principles, this document recognizes that British Columbia's schools include students of varied backgrounds, interests, abilities, and needs. Wherever appropriate for this curriculum, ways to meet these needs and to ensure equity and access for all learners have been integrated as much as possible into the learning outcomes, achievement indicators, and assessment activities.

The Health and Career Education K to 7 IRP is based on the recommendations arising from the *Personal Planning K to 7/Career and Personal Planning 8 to 12 Curriculum Review Report* (2001).

Health and Career Education K to 7, in draft format, was available for public review and response from December 2005 through February 2006. During the review period, three school districts were contracted to conduct an in-depth review of the draft IRP. Feedback from educators, students, parents, and other educational partners also informed the development of this document.

RATIONALE

The aim of Health and Career Education K to 7 is to provide students with the knowledge, skills, and attitudes necessary to be informed decision makers and to make healthy and safe choices. HCE K to 7 provides opportunities for students to

• learn and practise decision-making and goalsetting strategies

- learn about their own personal skills and interests and how these relate to a variety of school contexts, recreational activities, and future careers
- learn the importance of effective work habits and transferable skills
- think critically about a variety of health and safety issues
- acquire the skills necessary to develop and maintain healthy relationships
- develop safe attitudes and healthy practices in a variety of settings
- learn about the range of sources of support and information available to them on a variety of education, health, and safety issues

Health and Career Education K to 7 is designed to help students maintain, reinforce, and develop skills, attitudes, and behaviours that can enhance their personal well-being throughout their lives and prepare them to deal with a world of complex, ongoing change. The HCE K to 7 curriculum recognizes the inter-related areas of intellectual development, human and social development, and career development in creating healthy and active educated citizens.

Goals for Health and Career Education K to 7

The following goals reflect and are represented in the prescribed learning outcomes for Health and Career Education K to 7 in each curriculum organizer:

- Students will learn and apply processes for goal setting and decision making, and will become aware of the effects of their decisions on themselves and others.
- Students will learn about the range of sources of information and support available to them for a variety of health, safety, and education topics.
- Students will gain knowledge and skills necessary to make informed choices about their health and safety, and will develop an awareness of the consequences of their choices for themselves and others.

CURRICULUM ORGANIZERS

A curriculum organizer consists of a set of prescribed learning outcomes that share a common focus. The prescribed learning outcomes for Health and Career Education K to 7 are grouped under the following curriculum organizers and suborganizers:

Curriculum Organizers and Suborganizers

GOALS AND DECISIONS

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

HEALTH

- Healthy Living
- Healthy Relationships
- Safety and Injury Prevention
- Substance Misuse Prevention

Note that these organizers and suborganizers are provided for the purpose of identifying prescribed learning outcomes; they are not intended to suggest a linear means of course delivery.

Goals and Decisions

This curriculum organizer provides opportunities for students to develop the skills that will allow them to take increasing responsibility for their decisions and to understand the consequences of those decisions.

The Goals and Decisions organizer includes the following topics:

- goal setting
- decision making
- support networks and sources of information and support in the school and community

Career Development

This organizer is designed to develop students' awareness of personal attributes, skills, and successes, and how these relate to their schoolwork, their co-curricular activities, and potential careers.

The Career Development organizer includes the following topics:

- personal attributes (e.g., skills, interests, accomplishments), including work habits and transferable skills; relating attributes to school, activities, and potential careers
- work and jobs, and ways of classifying them

Health

This organizer provides opportunities for students to gain the knowledge necessary for developing and maintaining a healthy and safe lifestyle. The Health organizer includes the following topics, arranged by suborganizer:

- Healthy Living promoting physical and emotional health (including regular physical activity, emotional health strategies, healthy eating, and disease prevention), puberty, reproduction
- Healthy Relationships caring and supportive behaviours in families, friendships, emotions, interpersonal skills, and recognizing and responding to bullying, stereotyping, and discrimination
- Safety and Injury Prevention recognizing, avoiding, and responding to potentially unsafe situations at home, at school, on the road, in the community, and on the Internet, including situations of potential abuse or exploitation
- Substance Misuse Prevention unsafe substances, influences, consequences, and strategies for avoiding and refusing substances such as alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs

Note: The Health curriculum organizer includes prescribed learning outcomes that some students and their parents or guardians may feel more comfortable addressing at home.

For information about policy relating to alternative delivery, refer to www.bced.gov.bc.ca/policy/

SUGGESTED TIMEFRAME

Provincial curricula are developed in accordance with the amount of instructional time recommended by the Ministry of Education for each subject area. Teachers may choose to combine various curricula to enable students to integrate ideas and make meaningful connections.

For Health and Career Education, the Ministry of Education recommends a time allotment of 5% of the total instructional time for each school year. The Health and Career Education curriculum for Kindergarten is based on approximately 20-25 hours of instructional time to allow flexibility to address local needs. For each of Grades 1 to 7, this estimate is approximately 45-50 hours per year.

HEALTH AND CAREER EDUCATION K TO 7: AT A GLANCE

The aim of

Health and Career Education K to 7 is to

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GOALS OF HEALTH AND CAREER EDUCATION K TO 7

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- Students will learn about the range of sources of information and support available to them for a variety of health, safety, and education topics.
- Students will gain knowledge and skills necessary to make informed choices about their health and safety, and will develop an awareness of the consequences of their choices for themselves and others.

GOALS AND DECISIONS	CAREER DEVELOPMENT
 opportunities for goal setting and decision making 	 personal attributes (e.g., skills, interests, accomplishments); relating attributes to school
 goal-setting strategies 	and potential careers
 decision-making models 	 work and jobs, and ways of classifying them
support networks	 work habits and transferable skills

Health

Healthy Living

- characteristics of, influences on, and choices to promote physical and emotional health
- healthy eating practices
- physical, emotional, and social changes at puberty and adolescence, and respecting own and others' development rates
- human reproductive system
- ways to help prevent spread of diseases, including life-threatening diseases such as HIV/AIDS

Healthy Relationships

- ways family members care for and support each other
- qualities of friendships and healthy relationships interpersonal skills
- recognizing and responding to stereotyping, discrimination, and bullying
- safe and caring schools

Safety and Injury Prevention

- appropriate terminology for male and female private parts
- responding to inappropriate touching
- recognizing and avoiding potentially abusive or exploitative situations
- recognizing and avoiding potentially unsafe situations at home, at school, on the road, in the community, and on the Internet
- responding to emergencies

Substance Misuse Prevention

- recognizing unsafe substances
- consequences of substance misuse for self and others
- influences on use of tobacco, alcohol, and other drugs
- strategies for avoiding and refusing tobacco, alcohol, and other drugs

OVERVIEW OF HEALTH AND CAREER EDUCATION K TO 7 TOPICS

	Kindergarten	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3
GOALS AND DECISIONS	 opportunities to make choices sources of support at school 	 reasons for setting goals sources of support at school and in the community 	 steps in goal setting opportunities for making decisions 	 using a goal-setting model sources of support
Career Development	 personal skills and interests jobs and responsibilities at home and school 	 personal skills and interests jobs and responsibilities at home and school 	 ways of categorizing jobs effective work habits 	 attributes of role models benefits of effective work habits
Health Healthy Living	• practices that contribute to health	 practices that contribute to health preventing spread of diseases and conditions 	 physical and emotional health practices healthy eating practices preventing spread of communicable diseases 	 physical and emotional health practices importance of healthy eating and regular physical activity preventing spread of communicable diseases
Healthy Relationships	 thoughtful caring behaviours in families expressing feelings appropriately relationship behaviours 	 how families provide support and nurturing expressing feelings friendship behaviours dealing with interpersonal conflict 	 communication skills friendship strategies 	 building positive relationships nature and consequences of bullying
Safety and Injury Prevention	 terminology for private parts appropriate and inappropriate touching responding to inappropriate touches or confusing or uncomfortable situations hazard identification and avoidance (home, school, road, and community) accessing emergency services 	 terminology for private parts appropriate and inappropriate touching responding to inappropriate touches or confusing or uncomfortable situations safety guidelines (home, school, road, and community) accessing emergency services 	 avoidance and assertiveness related to potentially abusive situations avoiding hazardous situations (home, school, streets, community) 	 avoidance and assertiveness related to potentially abusive situations importance of recognizing and avoiding hazardous situations
Substance Misuse Prevention	• safe and unsafe substances	 recognizing and refusing unsafe substances 	 harm from unsafe substances refusing substances	 negative effects of unsafe substances avoiding substances

Grade 4	Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7	
 steps in decision making 	 factors affecting decision making benefits of personal support networks 	 planning to support goals influences on decision making and goal setting 	 planning to achieve a specific goal applying a decision making model 	GOALS AND DECISIONS
 attribute inventory importance of effective work habits 	 types of work of interest work habits and transferable skills 	 relationship between attributes and work transferable skills developed in and out of school 	 career clusters transferable skills 	Career Development
 choices for emotional and physical health choices for healthy eating physical changes at puberty communicable and non-communicable diseases 	 factors influencing health decisions healthy lifestyle planning physical, emotional, and social changes at puberty practices for preventing communicable and non-communicable diseases 	 benefits of healthy lifestyles human reproductive system respecting developmental differences life-threatening communicable diseases, including HIV/AIDS 	 factors influencing health decisions maintaining health during puberty accessing community information and support life-threatening nature of HIV/AIDS 	HEALTH Healthy Living
 interpersonal skills in relationships strategies for responding to bullying behaviour 	 assessing own interpersonal skills safe and caring schools 	 influences of peers on behaviour stereotyping and discrimination responding to stereotyping, discrimination, and bullying 	 healthy and unhealthy relationships influences on relationships preventing stereotyping, discrimination, and bullying 	Healthy Relationships
 lures and tricks used by potential abusers (including on the Internet) abuse avoidance strategies potential for injury in a range of settings 	 safety guidelines for protection from abuse and exploitation minimizing risks social pressures and risk taking 	 sources of help and support Internet safety responsible safety behaviour responding to emergencies 	 personal strategies to avoid abuse and exploitation avoiding unsafe situations on road and in community 	Safety and Injury Prevention
 negative effects of abusing tobacco, alcohol, and other drugs strategies for preventing substance misuse 	 factors contributing to use of tobacco, alcohol, and other drugs 	 prevention and alternatives consequences to self and others 	 media and social influences on substance misuse healthy alternatives 	Substance Misuse Prevention



CONSIDERATIONS FOR PROGRAM DELIVERY

This section of the IRP contains additional information to help educators develop their school practices and plan their program delivery to meet the needs of all learners. Included in this section is information about

- Alternative Delivery policy
- addressing local contexts
- involving parents and guardians
- establishing a positive classroom climate
- confidentiality
- inclusion, equity, and accessibility for all learners
- connections to other subject areas
- working with the school and community
- working with the Aboriginal community
- information and communications technology
- copyright and responsibility
- using role play
- goal setting and decision making

ALTERNATIVE DELIVERY POLICY

The Alternative Delivery policy applies to this IRP.

The Alternative Delivery policy outlines how students, and their parents or guardians, in consultation with their local school authority, may choose means other than instruction by a teacher within the regular classroom setting for addressing prescribed learning outcomes contained in the Health curriculum organizer of the following curriculum documents:

- Health and Career Education K to 7, and Personal Planning K to 7 Personal Development curriculum organizer (until September 2008)
- Health and Career Education 8 and 9
- Planning 10

The policy recognizes the family as the primary educator in the development of children's attitudes, standards, and values, but the policy still requires that all prescribed learning outcomes be addressed and assessed in the agreed-upon alternative manner of delivery.

It is important to note the significance of the term "alternative delivery" as it relates to the Alternative Delivery policy. The policy does not permit schools to omit addressing or assessing any of the prescribed learning outcomes within the health and career education curriculum. Neither does it allow students to be excused from meeting any learning outcomes related to health. It is expected that students who arrange for alternative delivery will address the health-related learning outcomes and will be able to demonstrate their understanding of these learning outcomes.

In the Health and Career Education K to 7 curriculum, the Alternative Delivery policy applies only to the prescribed learning outcomes in the Health curriculum organizer, which includes the following four curriculum suborganizers:

- Healthy Living
- Healthy Relationships
- Safety and Injury Prevention
- Substance Misuse Prevention

This option is not intended for any of the other prescribed learning outcomes, and it is not intended for any other curriculum.

For more information about policy relating to alternative delivery, refer to www.bced.gov.bc.ca/policy/

Addressing Local Contexts

The Health and Career Education K to 7 curriculum includes opportunities for individual teacher and student choice in the exploration of topics to meet certain learning outcomes, particularly in relation to the Health curriculum organizer. This flexibility allows educators to plan their programs to meet the particular requirements of their students and to respond to local contexts. It may be appropriate to allow for student input when selecting current and relevant topics.

Where specific topics have been included in the learning outcomes, the intent is for all students to have an opportunity to address these important issues. The inclusion of these topics is not intended to exclude any additional issues that may also be relevant for individual school communities.

INVOLVING PARENTS AND GUARDIANS

The family is the primary educator in the development of students' attitudes and values. The school plays a supportive role by focussing on the prescribed learning outcomes in the Health and Career Education K to 7 curriculum. Parents and guardians can support, enrich, and extend the curriculum at home.

HCE K to 7 includes prescribed learning outcomes in the Health section of the curriculum that some students and their parents or guardians may feel more comfortable addressing at home. Some students and/or their parents may choose to opt for alternative delivery of these learning outcomes.

It is highly recommended that schools inform parents and guardians about the Health and Career Education K to 7 curriculum, and teachers (along with school and district administrators) may choose to do so by

- informing parents/guardians and students of the prescribed learning outcomes for the subject by sending home class letters, providing an overview during parent-teacher interviews, etc.
- responding to parent and guardian requests to discuss unit plans, learning resources, etc.
- informing parents and guardians of legislation and provincial and district policy related to options for addressing the Health curriculum organizer of this subject area

ESTABLISHING A POSITIVE CLASSROOM CLIMATE

Teachers are responsible for setting and promoting a classroom climate in which students feel comfortable learning about and discussing topics in Health and Career Education K to 7. The following are some guidelines that may help educators establish and promote a positive classroom climate.

- Allow class members sufficient time and opportunities to become comfortable with each other before engaging in group discussion. It is important that the classroom climate encourage students to relate to one another in positive, respectful, and supportive ways. Be prepared to facilitate any potentially controversial discussions.
- Establish clear ground rules for class discussions that demonstrate respect for privacy, for diversity, and for the expression of differing viewpoints.
- Become familiar with
 - relevant legislation (e.g., *Human Rights Code; Child, Family and Community Services Act*)
 - relevant initiatives (e.g., Safe, Caring and Orderly Schools: A Guide and Diversity in BC Schools: A Framework)
 - provincial and district policies and protocols concerning topics such as disclosure related to child abuse, protection of privacy, and alternative delivery

Further information about these policies and initiatives is available online:

BC Handbook for Action on Child Abuse and Neglect www.mcf.gov.bc.ca/child_protection/ pdf/handbook_action_child_abuse.pdf

Safe, Caring and Orderly Schools www.bced.gov.bc.ca/sco/

Diversity in BC Schools: A Framework www.bced.gov.bc.ca/diversity/diversity_ framework.pdf

Human Rights Code www.qp.gov.bc.ca/statreg/stat/H/96210_01.htm

Child, Family and Community Services Act www.qp.gov.bc.ca/statreg/stat/C/96046_01.htm

- Activities and discussion related to some of the topics in Health and Career Education K to 7 may evoke an emotional response from individual students. Inform an administrator or counsellor when any concern arises, and ensure students know where to go for help and support.
- Discussions related to sexual abuse prevention topics such as touching can result in a student disclosing an incident of abuse and/or neglect. Teachers should be aware of district protocols and provincial regulations for reporting and referrals.
- Ensure that any external groups or organizations making a presentation to students have met the district's guidelines for presenting. There should be a direct relationship between the content of the presentation and the prescribed learning outcomes. Review any materials they may use, especially handouts, for appropriateness.

CONFIDENTIALITY

The *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FOIPPA) applies to students, to school districts, and to all curricula. Teachers, administrators, and district staff should consider the following:

- Be aware of district and school guidelines regarding the provisions of FOIPPA and how it applies to all subjects, including Health and Career Education K to 7.
- Do not use students' Personal Education Numbers (PEN) on any assignments that students wish to keep confidential.

- Ensure students are aware that if they disclose personal information that indicates they are at risk for harm, then that information cannot be kept confidential.
- Inform students of their rights under FOIPPA, especially the right to have access to their own personal information in their school records. Inform parents of their rights to access their children's school records.
- Minimize the type and amount of personal information collected, and ensure that it is used only for purposes that relate directly to the reason for which it is collected.
- Inform students that they will be the only ones recording personal information about themselves unless they, or their parents, have consented to teachers collecting that information from other people (including parents).
- Provide students and their parents with the reason(s) they are being asked to provide personal information in the context of the Health and Career Education K to 7 curriculum.
- Inform students and their parents that they can ask the school to correct or annotate any of the personal information held by the school, in accordance with Section 29 of FOIPPA.
- Ensure students are aware that their parents may have access to the schoolwork they create only insofar as it pertains to students' progress.
- Ensure that any information used in assessing students' progress is up-to-date, accurate, and complete.

For more information about confidentiality, refer to www.mser.gov.bc.ca/privacyaccess/

INCLUSION, EQUITY, AND ACCESSIBILITY FOR ALL LEARNERS

British Columbia's schools include students of varied backgrounds, interests, and abilities. The Kindergarten to Grade 12 school system focusses on meeting the needs of all students. When selecting specific topics, activities, and resources to support the implementation of Health and Career Education K to 7, teachers are encouraged to ensure that these choices support inclusion, equity, and accessibility for all students. In particular, teachers should ensure that classroom instruction, assessment, and resources reflect sensitivity to diversity and incorporate positive role portrayals, relevant issues, and themes such as inclusion, respect, and acceptance.

Government policy supports the principles of integration and inclusion of students for whom English is a second language and of students with special needs. Most of the prescribed learning outcomes in this IRP can be addressed by all students, including those with special and/or ESL needs. Some strategies may require adaptations to ensure that those with special and/or ESL needs can successfully achieve the prescribed learning outcomes. Modifications can be made to the prescribed learning outcomes for students with Individual Education Plans.

For more information about resources and support for students with special needs, refer to www.bced.gov.bc.ca/specialed/

For more information about resources and support for ESL students, refer to www.bced.gov.bc.ca/esl/

CONNECTIONS TO OTHER CURRICULA

In the elementary years in particular, learning and instruction often take place in an integrated manner and do not always stay within the boundaries of a particular subject area. Teachers may look for ways to connect learning in HCE with any or all of the following provincially prescribed curricula:

- physical education role of regular physical activity in a balanced, healthy lifestyle; choices people can make to be physically active; relationship between physical activity and healthy eating; goals for a physically active lifestyle; safety
- science human body systems (Grade 5)
- social studies group processes; leadership; families; purpose of rules; roles, rights, and responsibilities at home, at school, and in the community; needs and wants; decision making; work and jobs in the community

Whatever the approach used to facilitate connections among these subject areas, it is important to maintain the integrity of each individual discipline, and ensure that all prescribed learning outcomes are addressed. All current provincial curricula are available on the Internet at www.bced.gov.bc.ca/irp/irp.htm

WORKING WITH THE SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY

This curriculum addresses a wide range of skills and understandings that students are developing in other areas of their lives. It is important to recognize that learning related to this curriculum extends beyond the HCE classroom.

School and district-wide programs – such as healthy schools, bike safety, anti-bullying, and alcohol and drug education – support and extend learning in Health and Career Education K to 7. Community organizations may also support the curriculum with locally developed learning resources, guest speakers, workshops, and field studies. Teachers may wish to draw on the expertise of these community organizations and members.

Bringing outside resource people into the classroom is an effective way of reinforcing content, emphasizing and practising listening skills, exposing students to different points of view, providing opportunities for discussion and debate, providing a departure point for writing, and making learning more concrete and relevant. A panel discussion also provides an opportunity for several viewpoints on an issue to be presented at the same time.

Speakers relevant for Health and Career Education K to 7 include health care professionals, police, community leaders, counsellors, elders, and other content experts.

Consider the following guidelines to help achieve a successful guest speaker activity:

• Determine the nature of the presentation (e.g., lecture, question-and-answer, debate, response to students' presentations, facilitating a simulation or case study). Ensure the guest speaker is clear about the purpose, the structure, and the time allotted. There should be a direct relationship between the content of the presentation and the prescribed learning outcomes. Review any materials the speaker may use, especially any handouts, for appropriateness.

- Be aware of any district guidelines for external presenters, and ensure that guests have met these guidelines.
- Where appropriate, have students take responsibility for contacting the speaker(s) beforehand and making any logistical arrangements.
- Provide time for students to prepare for the guest speaker or panel by formulating focus questions.
- Begin the guest speaker presentation with an introduction to the topic and end with a debrief.

WORKING WITH THE ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY

The Ministry of Education is dedicated to ensuring that the cultures and contributions of Aboriginal peoples in BC are reflected in all provincial curricula. To address these topics in the classroom in a way that is accurate and that respectfully reflects Aboriginal concepts of teaching and learning, teachers are strongly encouraged to seek the advice and support of local Aboriginal communities. As Aboriginal communities are diverse in terms of language, culture, and available resources, each community will have its own unique protocol to gain support for integration of local knowledge and expertise. To begin discussion of possible instructional and assessment activities, teachers should first contact Aboriginal education co-ordinators, teachers, support workers, and counsellors in their district who will be able to facilitate the identification of local resources and contacts such as elders, chiefs, tribal or band councils, Aboriginal cultural centres, Aboriginal Friendship Centres, and Métis or Inuit organizations.

In addition, teachers may wish to consult the various Ministry of Education publications available, including the "Planning Your Program" section of the resource, *Shared Learnings*. This resource was developed to help all teachers provide students with knowledge of, and opportunities to share experiences with, Aboriginal peoples in BC.

For more information about these documents, consult the Aboriginal Education web site: www.bced.gov.bc.ca/abed/welcome.htm

INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

The study of information and communications technology is increasingly important in our society. Students need to be able to acquire and analyse information, to reason and communicate, to make informed decisions, and to understand and use information and communications technology for a variety of purposes. Development of these skills is important for students in their education, their future careers, and their everyday lives.

Literacy in the area of information and communications technology can be defined as the ability to obtain and share knowledge through investigation, study, instruction, or transmission of information by means of media technology. Becoming literate in this area involves finding, gathering, assessing, and communicating information using electronic means, as well as developing the knowledge and skills to use and solve problems effectively with the technology. Literacy also involves learning about the safe and responsible use of the technology, and a critical examination and understanding of the ethical and social issues related to the use of information and communications technology. When planning for instruction and assessment in Health and Career Education K to 7, teachers should provide opportunities for students to develop literacy in relation to information and communications technology sources, and to reflect critically on the role of these technologies in society.

COPYRIGHT AND RESPONSIBILITY

Copyright is the legal protection of literary, dramatic, artistic, and musical works; sound recordings; performances; and communications signals. Copyright provides creators with the legal right to be paid for their work and the right to say how their work is to be used. The law permits certain exceptions for schools (i.e., specific things permitted) but these are very limited, such as copying for private study or research. The copyright law determines how resources can be used in the classroom and by students at home.

In order to respect copyright it is necessary to understand the law. It is unlawful to do the following, unless permission has been given by a copyright owner:

• photocopy copyrighted material to avoid purchasing the original resource for any reason

- photocopy or perform copyrighted material beyond a very small part – in some cases the copyright law considers it "fair" to copy whole works, such as an article in a journal or a photograph, for purposes of research and private study, criticism, and review
- show recorded television or radio programs to students in the classroom unless these are cleared for copyright for educational use (there are exceptions such as for news and news commentary taped within one year of broadcast that by law have record-keeping requirements – see the web site at the end of this section for more details)
- photocopy print music, workbooks, instructional materials, instruction manuals, teacher guides, and commercially available tests and examinations
- show videorecordings that are not cleared for public performance
- perform music or do performances of copyrighted material for entertainment (i.e., for purposes other than a specific educational objective)
- copy work from the Internet without an express message that the work can be copied

Permission from or on behalf of the copyright owner must be given in writing. Permission may also be given to copy or use all or some portion of copyrighted work through a licence or agreement. Many creators, publishers, and producers have formed groups or "collectives" to negotiate royalty payments and copying conditions for educational institutions. It is important to know what licences are in place and how these affect the activities schools are involved in. Some licences may also require royalty payments that are determined by the quantity of photocopying or the length of performances. In these cases, it is important to assess the educational value and merits of copying or performing certain works to protect the school's financial exposure (i.e., only copy or use that portion that is absolutely necessary to meet an educational objective).

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USING ROLE PLAY

Role play is an excellent strategy for Health and Career Education, particularly in addressing the personal and emotional issues present in the curriculum expectations. Role plays are ideal for examining various points of view, experiencing new situations, and allowing the interaction of people and the sharing of information.

Appropriate role-play scenarios to address the prescribed learning outcomes can be print or video based, and can be developed by teachers, created by students, derived from recommended learning resources, collected from news media, or found online.

For maximum effect, students should have clear guidance about the expectations and their roles before

they proceed, sufficient time to interact and thoroughly explore the issues, and a full debriefing afterward.

GOAL SETTING AND DECISION MAKING

One of the key themes in Health and Career Education K to 7 is informed decision making. Although there are many models of decision making and goal setting, the information in the chart provided here (**Steps in Goal Setting and Decision Making**) can be used as a starting point.

In assessing decision making and goal setting, it is important to focus on the **process** – whether the student demonstrates thoughtful and critical examination of the situation. In most cases, it is not appropriate to assess the goal or decision itself.

Goal Setting	Decision Making
state purpose for goal – visualize and describe the	identify the decision or issue
ideal end product	↓
\downarrow	visualize the ideal result
define the goal in specific, realistic, measurable, and	\downarrow
timely terms	identify (brainstorm) a range of alternative solutions
\downarrow	J J
break down long-term goals into manageable short- term steps	assess the pros and cons of each alternative (and their consequences) for self and others
create a timeline for each step in the goal	• in terms of logistics (time, effort, resources; cost- benefit)
	 in terms of personal values
identify potential challenges to meeting the goal, and	• in relation to societal norms
identify ways to overcome those challenges	\downarrow
	select and articulate an informed decision
identify sources of support for reaching the goal	who and when
	how to gauge success
carry out the goal steps	• resources to carry out the plan (e.g., personal, financial)
\downarrow	\downarrow
re-evaluate the goal periodically and adjust as	apply the decision
necessary	\downarrow
(each of these steps can be revised and repeated as necessary)	assess the results and modify the decision as required (each of these steps can be revised and repeated as
	necessary)

STEPS IN GOAL SETTING AND DECISION MAKING



Prescribed Learning Outcomes

Prescribed learning outcomes are content standards for the provincial education system; they are the prescribed curriculum. Clearly stated and expressed in measurable and observable terms, learning outcomes set out the required attitudes, skills, and knowledge – what students are expected to know and be able to do – by the end of the specified subject and grade.

Schools have the responsibility to ensure that all prescribed learning outcomes in this curriculum are addressed; however, schools have flexibility in determining how delivery of the curriculum can best take place.

It is expected that student achievement will vary in relation to the learning outcomes. Evaluation, reporting, and student placement with respect to these outcomes are dependent on the professional judgment and experience of teachers, guided by provincial policy.

Prescribed learning outcomes for Health and Career Education K to 7 are presented by grade and by curriculum organizer and suborganizer, and are coded alphanumerically for ease of reference; however, this arrangement is not intended to imply a required instructional sequence.

WORDING OF PRESCRIBED LEARNING OUTCOMES

All learning outcomes complete the stem, "It is expected that students will"

When used in a prescribed learning outcome, the word "including" indicates that any ensuing item **must be addressed**. Lists of items introduced by the word "including" represent a set of minimum requirements associated with the general requirement set out by the outcome. The lists are not necessarily exhaustive, however, and teachers may choose to address additional items that also fall under the general requirement set out by the outcome.

Conversely, the abbreviation "e.g.," (for example) in a prescribed learning outcome indicates that the ensuing items are provided for illustrative purposes or clarification, and are **not required**. Presented in parentheses, the list of items introduced by "e.g.," is neither exhaustive nor prescriptive, nor is it put forward in any special order of importance or priority. Teachers are free to substitute items of their own choosing that they feel best address the intent of the learning outcome.

DOMAINS OF LEARNING

Prescribed learning outcomes in BC curricula identify required learning in relation to one or more of the three domains of learning: cognitive, psychomotor, and affective. The following definitions of the three domains are based on Bloom's taxonomy.

The **cognitive domain** deals with the recall or recognition of knowledge and the development of intellectual abilities. The cognitive domain can be further specified as including three cognitive levels: knowledge, understanding and application, and higher mental processes. These levels are determined by the verb used in the learning outcome, and illustrate how student learning develops over time.

- *Knowledge* includes those behaviours that emphasize the recognition or recall of ideas, material, or phenomena.
- *Understanding and application* represents a comprehension of the literal message contained in a communication, and the ability to apply an appropriate theory, principle, idea, or method to a new situation.
- *Higher mental processes* include analysis, synthesis, and evaluation. The higher mental processes level subsumes both the knowledge and the understanding and application levels.

The **affective domain** concerns attitudes, beliefs, and the spectrum of values and value systems.

The **psychomotor domain** includes those aspects of learning associated with movement and skill demonstration, and integrates the cognitive and affective consequences with physical performances.

Domains of learning and cognitive levels also form the basis of the Assessment Overview Tables provided for each grade in the Classroom Assessment Model.



PRESCRIBED LEARNING OUTCOMES Grade 7

GRADE 7

It is expected that students will:

GOALS AND DECISIONS

- A1 design a plan to achieve a specific goal
- A2 demonstrate an ability to apply a decision-making model to a specific situation

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

- B1 classify jobs according to career clusters (e.g., by type of industry, type of work, personal interests)
- B2 identify skills that are transferable to a range of school and recreational situations (e.g., time management, teamwork, problem solving, communication, adaptability)

HEALTH

Healthy Living

- C1 analyse factors (including media and peer) that influence personal health decisions
- C2 describe strategies for attaining and maintaining physical, emotional, and social health during puberty and adolescence
- C3 demonstrate an ability to access community information and support services for a variety of health issues
- C4 demonstrate an understanding of the life-threatening nature of HIV/AIDS (e.g., HIV/AIDS damages the immune system, there is currently no known cure for HIV/AIDS)

Healthy Relationships

- C5 identify characteristics of healthy relationships and unhealthy relationships (e.g., healthy relationships respect, open communication; unhealthy relationships jealousy, power imbalance, lack of empathy)
- C6 describe a variety of influences on relationships (e.g., peers, family, media, physical and emotional changes as a result of puberty)
- C7 demonstrate behaviours that contribute to the prevention of stereotyping, discrimination, and bullying

Safety and Injury Prevention

- C8 identify safety strategies that can be used to avoid potentially abusive or exploitative situations (e.g., personal safety rules and strategies for using the Internet, knowing and recognizing tricks and lures used by abusers, telling a trusted adult)
- C9 propose strategies to avoid potentially unsafe situations on the road and in the community (e.g., recognize hazards and potential for injury, use assertive communication skills, use protective equipment, get relevant training and education)

Substance Misuse Prevention

- C10 analyse media and social influences related to substance misuse
- C11 describe healthy alternatives to substance misuse (e.g., stress management, substance-free social activities)



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

This section of the IRP contains information about classroom assessment and student achievement, including specific achievement indicators that may be used to assess student performance in relation to each prescribed learning outcome. Also included in this section are key elements – descriptions of content that help determine the intended depth and breadth of prescribed learning outcomes.

CLASSROOM ASSESSMENT AND EVALUATION

Assessment is the systematic gathering of information about what students know, are able to do, and are working toward. Assessment evidence can be collected using a wide variety of methods, such as

- observation
- student self-assessments and peer assessments
- quizzes and tests (written, oral, practical)
- samples of student work
- projects and presentations
- oral and written reports
- journals and learning logs
- performance reviews
- portfolio assessments

Assessment of student achievement is based on the information collected through assessment activities. Teachers use their insight, knowledge about learning, and experience with students, along with the specific criteria they establish, to make judgments about student performance in relation to prescribed learning outcomes.

Three major types of assessment can be used in conjunction with each other to support student achievement.

- Assessment **for** learning is assessment for purposes of greater learning achievement.
- Assessment **as** learning is assessment as a process of developing and supporting students' active participation in their own learning.
- Assessment **of** learning is assessment for purposes of providing evidence of achievement for reporting.

Assessment for Learning

Classroom assessment for learning provides ways to engage and encourage students to become involved in their own day-to-day assessment – to acquire the skills of thoughtful self-assessment and to promote their own achievement. This type of assessment serves to answer the following questions:

- What do students need to learn to be successful?
- What does the evidence of this learning look like?

Assessment for learning is criterion-referenced, in which a student's achievement is compared to established criteria rather than to the performance of other students. Criteria are based on prescribed learning outcomes, as well as on suggested achievement indicators or other learning expectations.

Students benefit most when assessment feedback is provided on a regular, ongoing basis. When assessment is seen as an opportunity to promote learning rather than as a final judgment, it shows students their strengths and suggests how they can develop further. Students can use this information to redirect their efforts, make plans, communicate with others (e.g., peers, teachers, parents) about their growth, and set future learning goals.

Assessment for learning also provides an opportunity for teachers to review what their students are learning and what areas need further attention. This information can be used to inform teaching and create a direct link between assessment and instruction. Using assessment as a way of obtaining feedback on instruction supports student achievement by informing teacher planning and classroom practice.

Assessment as Learning

Assessment as learning actively involves students in their own learning processes. With support and guidance from their teacher, students take responsibility for their own learning, constructing meaning for themselves. Through a process of continuous self-assessment, students develop the ability to take stock of what they have already learned, determine what they have not yet learned, and decide how they can best improve their own achievement.

Although assessment as learning is student-driven, teachers can play a key role in facilitating how this assessment takes place. By providing regular opportunities for reflection and self-assessment, teachers can help students develop, practise, and become comfortable with critical analysis of their own learning.

Assessment of Learning

Assessment of learning can be addressed through summative assessment, including large-scale assessments and teacher assessments. These summative assessments can occur at the end of the year or at periodic stages in the instructional process.

Large-scale assessments, such as Foundation Skills Assessment (FSA) and Graduation Program exams, gather information on student performance throughout the province and provide information for the development and revision of curriculum. These assessments are used to make judgments about students' achievement in relation to provincial and national standards. There is no large-scale provincial assessment for Health and Career Education K to 7.

Assessment of learning is also used to inform formal reporting of student achievement.

For Ministry of Education reporting policy, refer to www.bced.gov.bc.ca/policy/policies/ student_reporting.htm

Assessment for Learning	Assessment as Learning	Assessment of Learning
Formative assessment ongoing in the classroom	Formative assessment ongoing in the classroom	Summative assessment occurs at end of year or at key stages
 teacher assessment, student self-assessment, and/or student peer assessment criterion-referenced – criteria based on prescribed learning outcomes identified in the provincial curriculum, reflecting performance in relation to a specific learning task involves both teacher and student in a process of continual reflection and review about progress teachers adjust their plans and engage in corrective teaching in response to formative assessment 	 self-assessment provides students with information on their own achievement and prompts them to consider how they can continue to improve their learning student-determined criteria based on previous learning and personal learning goals students use assessment information to make adaptations to their learning process and to develop new understandings 	 teacher assessment may be either criterion- referenced (based on prescribed learning outcomes) or norm- referenced (comparing student achievement to that of others) information on student performance can be shared with parents/guardians, school and district staff, and other education professionals (e.g., for the purposes of curriculum development) used to make judgments about students' performance in relation to provincial standards

For more information about assessment for, as, and of learning, refer to the following resource developed by the Western and Northern Canadian Protocol (WNCP): *Rethinking Assessment with Purpose in Mind.*

This resource is available online at www.wncp.ca

In addition, the BC Performance Standards describe levels of achievement in key areas of learning (reading, writing, numeracy, social responsibility, and information and communications technology integration) relevant to all subject areas. Teachers may wish to use the Performance Standards as resources to support ongoing formative assessment in HCE.

BC Performance Standards are available at www.bced.gov.bc.ca/perf_stands/

Criterion-Referenced Assessment and Evaluation

In criterion-referenced evaluation, a student's performance is compared to established criteria rather than to the performance of other students. Evaluation in relation to prescribed curriculum requires that criteria be established based on the learning outcomes.

Criteria are the basis for evaluating student progress. They identify, in specific terms, the critical aspects of a performance or a product that indicate how well the student is meeting the prescribed learning outcomes. For example, weighted criteria, rating scales, or scoring guides (reference sets) are ways that student performance can be evaluated using criteria.

Wherever possible, students should be involved in setting the assessment criteria. This helps students develop an understanding of what high-quality work or performance looks like.

Criterion-referenced assessment and evaluation may involve these steps:

- **Step 1** Identify the prescribed learning outcomes and suggested achievement indicators (as articulated in this IRP) that will be used as the basis for assessment.
- **Step 2** Establish criteria. When appropriate, involve students in establishing criteria.
- **Step 3** Plan learning activities that will help students gain the attitudes, skills, or knowledge outlined in the criteria.
- **Step 4** Prior to the learning activity, inform students of the criteria against which their work will be evaluated.
- **Step 5** Provide examples of the desired levels of performance.
- **Step 6** Conduct the learning activities.
- **Step 7** Use appropriate assessment instruments (e.g., rating scale, checklist, scoring guide) and methods (e.g., observation, collection, self-assessment) based on the particular assignment and student.
- **Step 8** Review the assessment data and evaluate each student's level of performance or quality of work in relation to criteria.
- **Step 9** Where appropriate, provide feedback and/or a letter grade to indicate how well the criteria are met.
- **Step 10** Communicate the results of the assessment and evaluation to students and parents/guardians.

Key Elements

Key elements provide an overview of content in each curriculum organizer and suborganizer. They can be used to determine the expected depth and breadth of the prescribed learning outcomes.

Note that some topics appear at multiple grade levels in order to emphasize their importance and to allow for developmental learning.

ACHIEVEMENT INDICATORS

To support the assessment of provincially prescribed curricula, this IRP includes sets of achievement indicators in relation to each learning outcome.

Achievement indicators, taken together as a set, define the specific level of attitudes demonstrated, skills applied, or knowledge acquired by the student in relation to a corresponding prescribed learning outcome. They describe what evidence to look for to determine whether or not the student has fully met the intent of the learning outcome. Since each achievement indicator defines only one aspect of the corresponding learning outcome, the entire set of achievement indicators should be considered when determining whether students have fully met the learning outcome. In some cases, achievement indicators may also include suggestions as to the type of task that would provide evidence of having met the learning outcome (e.g., a constructed response such as a list, comparison, analysis, or chart; a product created and presented such as a report, drama presentation, poster, letter, or model; a particular skill demonstrated such as goal setting).

Achievement indicators support the principles of assessment for learning, assessment as learning, and assessment of learning. They provide teachers and parents with tools that can be used to reflect on what students are learning, as well as provide students with a means of self-assessment and ways of defining how they can improve their own achievement.

Achievement indicators are not mandatory; they are suggestions only, provided to assist in the assessment of how well students achieve the prescribed learning outcomes.

The following pages contain the suggested achievement indicators corresponding to each prescribed learning outcome for the Health and Career Education K to 7 curriculum. The achievement indicators are arranged by curriculum organizer and suborganizer for each grade; however, this order is not intended to imply a required sequence of instruction and assessment.



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT Grade 7

KEY ELEMENTS: GRADE 7

GOALS AND DECISIONS

- designing a plan to achieve a specific goal (e.g., short-term steps to accomplish the goal, timeline, costs and resources available, potential barriers and ways to overcome those barriers, sources of support)
- applying a decision-making model (e.g., identify the decision or issue, visualize the ideal outcome, identify alternative solutions, assess the pros and cons of each alternative, select and articulate an informed decision, apply the decision, assess the results, modify the decision as required)

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

- ways of categorizing jobs (e.g., by type of industry, type of work, personal interests)
- transferable skills (e.g., problem solving, teamwork, communication, adaptability, continuous learning) and a range of settings where they can be developed and applied (e.g., schoolwork, co-curricular activities, recreational activities, home responsibilities)

HEALTH

Healthy Living

- factors influencing health decisions (e.g., media, family, peers, personal values and beliefs, environment)
- maintaining physical, emotional, and social health during puberty and adolescence (e.g., healthy eating, regular physical activity, healthy relationships, getting enough sleep, taking personal time, communicating with family and friends, recognizing and avoiding risky situations, responding appropriately to peer pressure, respecting diversity, recognizing and resisting sexual pressure, accessing sources of support)
- accessing community health services and information
- serious nature of HIV/AIDS (e.g., damage to immune system, no cure); HIV/AIDS transmission and prevention (e.g., avoiding the body fluids of others, avoiding contact with contaminated needles, avoiding unprotected sexual activity)

Healthy Relationships

- healthy relationships (e.g., honesty, respect, open communication, shared interests)
- unhealthy relationships (e.g., jealousy, dishonesty, power imbalance, manipulation, exploitation, disrespect of personal boundaries, lack of empathy)
- influences on relationships (e.g., peers, family, media, changes due to puberty)
- ways to prevent stereotyping, discrimination, and bullying (e.g., leadership skills, conflict resolution, effective communication skills, respectful language, respect for diversity)

Safety and Injury Prevention

- personal safety strategies for avoiding abusive or exploitative situations (e.g., safe Internet use, knowing and recognizing tricks and lures used by abusers, telling a trusted adult when confronted with risky or uncomfortable situations)
- avoiding unsafe situations on road and in community (e.g., recognize hazards and potential for injury, use assertive communication skills, use protective equipment, get relevant training and education)

Substance Misuse Prevention

- media and social influences on substance misuse
- healthy alternatives to substance use (e.g., stress management, substance-free social activities)

Prescribed Learning Outcomes	Suggested Achievement Indicators
	The following set of indicators may be used to assess student achievement for each corresponding prescribed learning outcome.
<i>It is expected that students will:</i>	<i>Students who have fully met the prescribed learning outcome are able to:</i>
A1 design a plan to achieve a specific goal	 set a short-term or long-term goal (e.g., revisit and revise a previous goal, set a new goal), and describe it in specific, realistic, measurable, and timely terms describe the steps needed to achieve the goal, such as identifying short-term steps to accomplish the goal establishing a timeline for reaching the goal identifying costs and resources available identifying sources of support anticipate factors that can influence the achievement of the goal (e.g., values, family, cost, time, resources, peers, media, role models, interests, abilities) create a timeline for achieving the goal identify criteria for knowing when goal achievement is successful
A2 demonstrate an ability to apply a decision-making model to a specific situation	 based on their own or others' experiences, identify a variety of contexts for decision making (e.g., deciding activities to participate in; purchasing decisions; responding to peer pressure; witnessing an incident of bullying; risk-taking behaviour; being offered tobacco, alcohol, or other drugs) identify the steps of a decision-making model (e.g., identify the decision or issue, visualize the ideal outcome, identify alternative solutions, assess the pros and cons of each alternative, select and articulate an informed decision, apply the decision, assess the results, modify the decision as required) select a real or simulated situation and apply a decision-making model to select an appropriate option describe influences (e.g., messages in TV programs, movies, magazine, music videos, video games, advertisements, Internet; explicit and implicit expectations of friends and family) that affected a specific decision they or someone else has made

GOALS AND DECISIONS

Prescribed Learning Outcomes	Suggested Achievement Indicators
	The following set of indicators may be used to assess student achievement for each corresponding prescribed learning outcome.
<i>It is expected that students will:</i>	<i>Students who have fully met the prescribed learning outcome are able to:</i>
B1 classify jobs according to career clusters (e.g., by type of industry, type of work, personal interests)	 describe ways of classifying jobs and work, such as according to type of industry (e.g., agriculture, arts, computers, construction, education, medical, service) according to type of work (e.g., hands-on, paperwork, using technology, research, outdoors) related to personal interests (e.g., music, writing, sports, technology, science, helping others) create a chart to classify a specific list of jobs into career clusters
B2 identify skills that are transferable to a range of school and recreational situations (e.g., time management, teamwork, problem solving, communication, adaptability)	 create a detailed list of skills that are transferable to a range of situations, such as time management skills (e.g., punctuality, setting priorities) co-operative and teamwork skills (e.g., sharing tasks, following directions, facilitating) problem-solving skills literacy skills numeracy skills creativity active listening skills information and communications technology skills adaptability continuous learning identify current situations and activities where they can apply these skills (e.g., schoolwork, co-curricular activities, recreational activities, home responsibilities, volunteer activities, babysitting)

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

Health

Note: The Health curriculum organizer includes prescribed learning outcomes that some students and their parents or guardians may feel more comfortable addressing at home. Refer to ministry policy regarding alternative delivery: www.bced.gov.bc.ca/policy/

Prescribed Learning Outcomes	Suggested Achievement Indicators
	The following set of indicators may be used to assess student achievement for each corresponding prescribed learning outcome.
<i>It is expected that students will:</i>	<i>Students who have fully met the prescribed learning outcome are able to:</i>
Healthy Living	
C1 analyse factors (including media and peer) that influence personal health decisions	 based on class activities and additional information, analyse the role of the media in portraying health issues (e.g., advertisements promoting participation in health events such as sponsored runs/walks, accurate information about health topics, unrealistic body images, fad diets, sexualized media messages) describe a range of factors that affect personal healthy eating choices (e.g., convenience, taste, availability, price, culture, personal dietary needs and choices, advertising, trends such as fad diets, school and community support for healthy choices) describe a range of factors that affect personal physical activity choices (e.g., access to facilities and equipment, cost, school and community support for healthy choices, enjoyment) demonstrate clear and informed reasoning in analysing positive and negative peer influences on decision-making related to personal health (e.g., encouragement for participating in recreational activities; pressure to look a certain way) apply learning from class activities and additional information to assess personal attitudes related to health (e.g., personal importance placed on health, willingness to change behaviours to improve health)

Prescribed Learning Outcomes	Suggested Achievement Indicators
C2 describe strategies for attaining and maintaining physical, emotional, and social health during puberty and adolescence	 list and describe a range of strategies for attaining and maintaining physical health during puberty and adolescence (e.g., regular physical activity, healthy eating, staying substance free, getting enough sleep, recognizing and avoiding risky situations, hygiene) list and describe a range of strategies for attaining and maintaining emotional health during puberty and adolescence (e.g., getting enough sleep, taking personal time, communicating with family and friends, recognizing that adolescence is a time of rapid change, stress management, problem solving strategies, positive self-talk, developing a support network) list and describe a range of strategies for attaining and maintaining social health during puberty and adolescence (e.g., cultivating healthy relationships, responding appropriately to peer pressure, respecting diversity, avoiding gossip, recognizing and resisting sexual pressure, communicating boundaries) identify various sources of information about adolescent development (e.g., credible web sites, library, community health services)
C3 demonstrate an ability to access community information and support services for a variety of health issues	 with peer and teacher support, list relevant health issues for students at this age (e.g., healthy eating, physical activity, smoking, stress, intimidation, alcohol, drugs, relationship issues) list a variety of health services and agencies available in the local community (e.g., public health department, community health educators, medical practitioners, counselling services, hotlines), and describe the services, support, or information provided by each using a set of prepared questions, contact one or more health service agencies to gather specific information

Prescribed Learning Outcomes	Suggested Achievement Indicators
C4 demonstrate an understanding of the life-threatening nature of HIV/ AIDS (e.g., HIV/AIDS damages the immune system, there is currently no known cure for HIV/AIDS)	 accurately define and differentiate between HIV and AIDS accurately describe the characteristics of HIV/AIDS that make it a serious and life-threatening disease, such as HIV/AIDS damages the immune system, leaving the body unable to respond to other infections and diseases while there are treatments that lengthen the lives of people with HIV/AIDS, there is currently no known cure for HIV/AIDS people can be infected with HIV and not know it for a several years accurately identify the ways that HIV/AIDS may be transmitted (e.g., through infected blood, contaminated needles, unprotected sexual activity, from an infected mother to her child before and during birth or during breast feeding) accurately list key lifestyle practices that can help prevent the spread of HIV/AIDS (e.g., avoiding the body fluids of others, avoiding contact with contaminated needles, avoiding unprotected sexual activity) identify accurate sources of information related to HIV/AIDS transmission and prevention practices (e.g., school nurse, community health professionals, credible web sites)
Healthy Relationships	
C5 identify characteristics of healthy relationships and unhealthy relationships (e.g., healthy relationships – respect, open communication; unhealthy relationships – jealousy, power imbalance, lack of empathy)	 create an extensive list of characteristics of healthy relationships (e.g., honesty, respect, open communication, shared interests) create an extensive list of characteristics of unhealthy relationships (e.g., jealousy, dishonesty, power imbalance, manipulation, exploitation, disrespect of personal boundaries, lack of empathy)
C6 describe a variety of influences on relationships (e.g., peers, family, media, physical and emotional changes as a result of puberty)	 describe the ways in which peers can influence relationships (e.g., group dynamics, social pressure, sense of belonging) describe the ways in which families can influence relationships (e.g., values, rules, expectations, modelling caring behaviours) describe ways in which media can influence relationships (e.g., stereotypes, sexual messages, glamorized risky behaviours) describe ways in which physical and emotional changes as a result of puberty can influence relationships (e.g., emerging romantic attractions and feelings, changing dynamics of friendships due to differing developmental rates and evolving interests)

Prescribed Learning Outcomes	Suggested Achievement Indicators
C7 demonstrate behaviours that contribute to the prevention of stereotyping, discrimination, and bullying	□ in classroom and school-based situations, demonstrate behaviours that contribute to the prevention of stereotyping, discrimination, and bullying (e.g., leadership skills, conflict resolution, problem solving, effective communication skills, respectful language, respect for diversity)
Safety and Injury Prevention	
C8 identify safety strategies that can be used to avoid potentially abusive or exploitative situations (e.g., personal safety rules and strategies for using the Internet, knowing and recognizing tricks and lures used by abusers, telling a trusted adult)	 identify personal safety rules and strategies for using the Internet (e.g., refrain from sharing personal contact or family information such as in contests or surveys, refrain from meeting Internet contacts in person, know and recognize tricks and lures used by Internet predators, tell a trusted adult when confronted with risky or uncomfortable situations) identify personal safety rules and strategies related to community situations (e.g., know and recognize tricks and lures used by predators or sex trade recruiters, tell a trusted adult when confronted with risky or uncomfortable situations, know when it is safer to be accompanied by friends or family)
C9 propose strategies to avoid potentially unsafe situations on the road and in the community (e.g., recognize hazards and potential for injury, use assertive communication skills, use protective equipment, get relevant training and education)	 give examples of the potential risk for injury in a variety of situations, such as specific environments (e.g., on the road, on the water, parking lots, parties, isolated areas, industrial sites, kitchens, home alone) specific activities (e.g., recreational activities, babysitting, delivering newspapers, household activities such as cooking or cutting the lawn, lifting heavy objects, listening to loud music) list relevant strategies for avoiding injury in a range of situations (e.g., recognize hazards and potential for injury, use assertive communication skills, use protective gear, practise appropriate warmup and cooldown, know own abilities, get relevant training and education, report an unsafe situation, stay alert) propose relevant strategies to avoid unsafe situations on the road, including responsible pedestrian behaviour responsible cycling and skating behaviour (e.g., obeying traffic regulations, wearing helmets correctly, using designated routes and areas where available)

Prescribed Learning Outcomes	Suggested Achievement Indicators
Substance Misuse Prevention C10 analyse media and social influences related to substance misuse	 apply established criteria to critique media messages related to the use of substances such as alcohol and tobacco assess situations where social influences may affect decision making regarding substance misuse (e.g., acceptance and belonging in particular social groups, unsupervised parties) describe the role of personal responsibility in decision making related to substance misuse
C11 describe healthy alternatives to substance misuse (e.g., stress management, substance-free social activities)	 describe a variety of choices and practices as healthy alternatives to substance misuse (e.g., stress management, substance-free social activities) create a list of personally relevant alternatives to substance misuse with teacher and peer support, create a community directory of alternatives to substance misuse



CLASSROOM ASSESSMENT MODEL

The Classroom Assessment Model outlines a series of assessment units for Health and Career Education K to 7.

These units have been structured by grade level and theme. Collectively the units address all of the prescribed learning outcomes for each grade, and provide one suggested means of organizing, ordering, and delivering the required content. This organization is not intended to prescribe a linear means of delivery. Teachers are encouraged to reorder the learning outcomes and to modify, organize, and expand on the units to meet the needs of their students, to respond to local requirements, and to incorporate relevant recommended learning resources as applicable. (See the Learning Resources section later in this IRP for information about the recommended learning resources for Health and Career Education K to 7.) In addition, teachers are encouraged to consider ways to adapt assessment strategies from one grade to another.

Classroom Assessment and Evaluation

Teachers should consider using a variety of assessment instruments and techniques to assess students' abilities to meet the prescribed learning outcomes and to support assessment for, of, and as learning.

Tools and techniques for assessment in HCE K to 7 can include

- teacher assessment tools such as observation checklists, rating scales, and scoring guides
- self-assessment tools such as checklists, rating scales, and scoring guides
- peer assessment tools such as checklists, rating scales, and scoring guides
- journals or learning logs
- written tests, oral tests (true/false, multiple choice, short answer)
- questionnaires, worksheets
- portfolios
- student-teacher conferences

Assessment in HCE K to 7 can also occur while students are engaged in, and based on the product of, activities such as

- group and class discussions
- centre activities
- posters, collages, models, flip books, songs, poems
- brainstorms, clusters, webs
- charts, graphs
- role plays
- peer teaching

- debates
- literature studies
- research projects
- oral and multimedia presentations
- "self-portraits"

For more information about student assessment, refer to the section on Student Achievement, as well as to the Assessment Overview Tables in each grade of the Classroom Assessment Model.

CONTENTS OF THE CLASSROOM Assessment Model

Assessment Overview Tables

Assessment Overview Tables provide suggestions and guidelines for assessment of each grade of the curriculum. These tables identify the domains of learning and cognitive levels of the learning outcomes, along with a listing of suggested assessment activities and a suggested instructional time and weight for grading for each curriculum organizer.

Overview

Each grade includes an overview of the assessment units, containing

- a listing of the units, organized by theme and addressing learning outcomes from a combination of organizers and suborganizers; also listed here are the assessment instruments included for the grade
- a listing of Learning at Previous Grades, indicating any relevant topics based on prescribed learning outcomes from earlier grades of the same subject area; it is assumed that students will have already acquired this learning – if they have not, additional introductory instruction may need to take place before undertaking the suggested assessment outlined in the unit (note that some topics appear at multiple grade levels in order to emphasize their importance and to allow for reinforcement and developmental learning)
- a table that shows which prescribed learning outcomes are addressed by each unit in this grade of the Classroom Assessment Model

Prescribed Learning Outcomes

Each unit begins with a listing of the prescribed learning outcomes that are addressed by that unit. Collectively, the units address all the learning outcomes for that grade; some outcomes may appear in more than one unit.

Suggested Assessment Activities

Assessment activities have been included for each set of prescribed learning outcomes. Each assessment activity consists of two parts:

- Planning for Assessment outlining the background information to explain the classroom context, opportunities for students to gain and practise learning, and suggestions for preparing the students for assessment
- Assessment Strategies describing the assessment task, the method of gathering assessment information, and the assessment criteria as defined by the learning outcomes and achievement indicators

A wide variety of activities have been included to address a range of learning and teaching styles.

The assessment activities describe various tools and methods for gathering evidence of student performance.

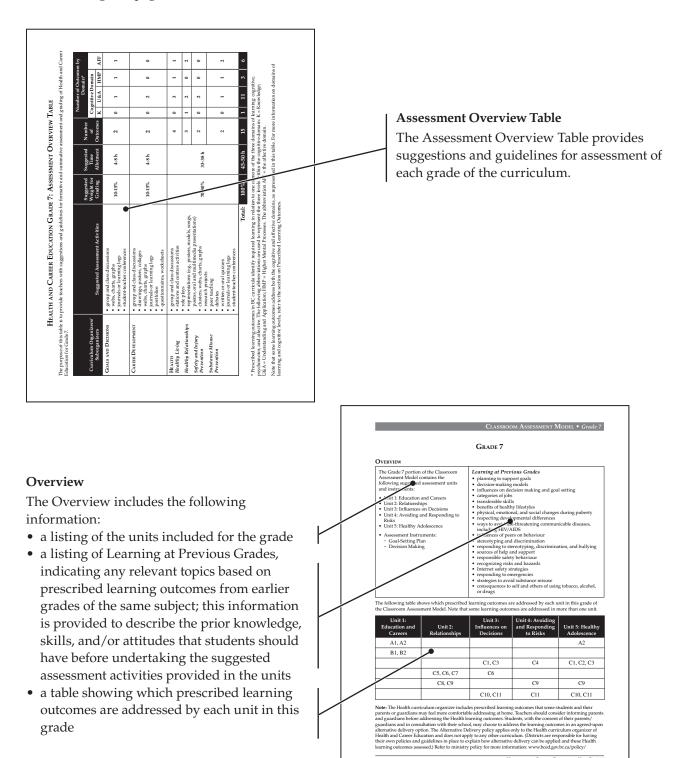
These assessment activities are suggestions only, designed to provide guidance for teachers in planning instruction and assessment to meet the prescribed learning outcomes.

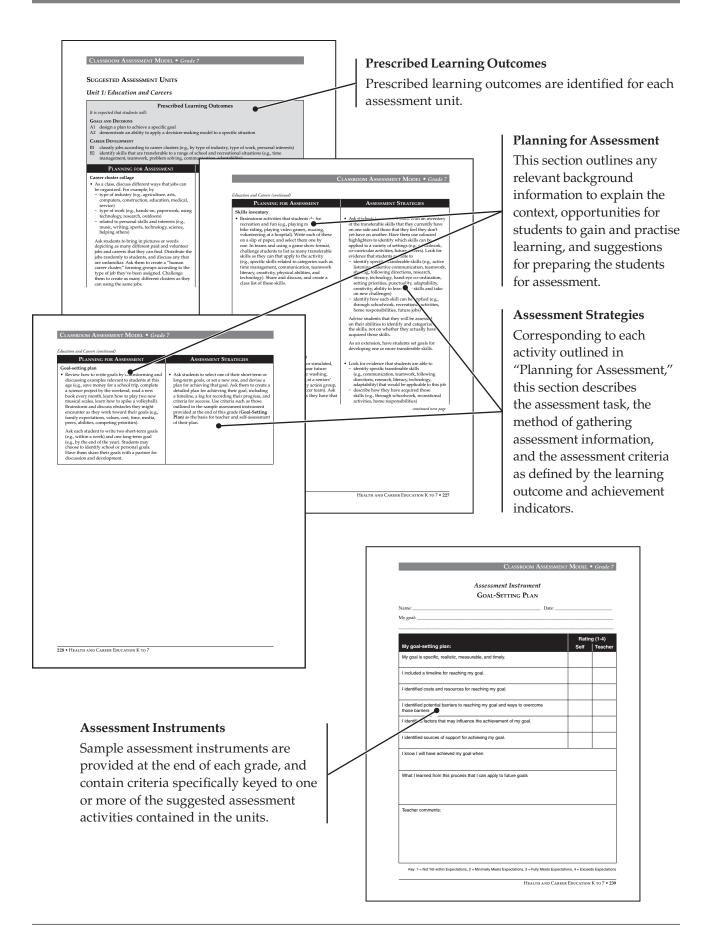
Assessment Instruments

Sample assessment instruments have been included at the end of each grade, and are provided to help teachers determine the extent to which students are meeting the prescribed learning outcomes. These instruments contain criteria specifically keyed to one or more of the suggested assessment activities contained in the units.

USING THE CLASSROOM ASSESSMENT MODEL

The following two pages illustrate how all the elements of the Classroom Assessment Model relate to each other.







CLASSROOM ASSESSMENT MODEL Grade 7

HEALTH AND CAREER EDUCATION GRADE 7: ASSESSMENT OVERVIEW TABLE

The purpose of this table is to provide teachers with suggestions and guidelines for formative and summative assessment and grading of Health and Career Education for Grade 7.

		Suggested	Suggested	Number	ź	Number of Outcomes by Domain*	r of Outcome Domain*	s by
Curriculum Organizers/ Suborganizers	Suggested Assessment Activities	Weight for Grading	Time Allotment	of Outcomes	C ₀ K	Cognitive Domain	umain HMP	AFF
GOALS AND DECISIONS	 group and class discussions webs, charts, graphs journals or learning logs student-teacher conferences 	10-15%	4-8 h	7	0	1	-	-
CAREER DEVELOPMENT	 group and class discussions drawings, posters, collages webs, charts, graphs journals or learning logs portfolios questionnaires, worksheets 	10-15%	4-8 h	7	0	р	0	0
HEALTH Healthy Living	group and class discussionsstations and centres activities			4	0	3	1	1
Healthy Relationships	 role plays representations (e.g., posters, models, songs, 			3	1	2	0	7
Safety and Injury Prevention	 poems, oral and multimedia presentations) clusters, webs, charts, graphs research projects 	70-80%	33-38 h	2	0	2	0	0
Substance Misuse Prevention	 peer teaching debates written or oral quizzes journals or learning logs student-teacher conferences 			6	0	1	1	р
	Total:	100%	45-50 h	15	7	11	3	9

* Prescribed learning outcomes in BC curricula identify required learning in relation to one or more of the three domains of learning: cognitive, psychomotor, and affective. The following abbreviations are used to represent the three levels within the cognitive domain: K = Knowledge; U&A = Understanding and Application; HMP = Higher Mental Processes. The abbreviation AFF = the affective domain. Note that some learning outcomes address both the cognitive and affective domains, as represented in this table. For more information on domains of learning and cognitive levels, refer to the section on Prescribed Learning Outcomes.

GRADE 7

Overview	
 The Grade 7 portion of the Classroom Assessment Model contains the following suggested assessment units and instruments: Unit 1: Education and Careers Unit 2: Relationships Unit 3: Influences on Decisions Unit 4: Avoiding and Responding to Risks Unit 5: Healthy Adolescence Assessment Instruments: Goal-Setting Plan Decision Making 	 Learning at Previous Grades planning to support goals decision-making models influences on decision making and goal setting categories of jobs transferable skills benefits of healthy lifestyles physical, emotional, and social changes during puberty respecting developmental differences ways to avoid life-threatening communicable diseases, including HIV/AIDS influences of peers on behaviour stereotyping and discrimination responding to stereotyping, discrimination, and bullying sources of help and support recognizing risks and hazards Internet safety strategies responding to emergencies strategies to avoid substance misuse consequences to self and others of using tobacco, alcohol, or drugs

The following table shows which prescribed learning outcomes are addressed by each unit in this grade of the Classroom Assessment Model. Note that some learning outcomes are addressed in more than one unit.

Unit 1: Education and Careers	Unit 2: Relationships	Unit 3: Influences on Decisions	Unit 4: Avoiding and Responding to Risks	Unit 5: Healthy Adolescence
A1, A2				A2
B1, B2				
		C1, C3	C4	C1, C2, C3
	C5, C6, C7	C6		
	C8, C9		C9	C9
		C10, C11	C11	C10, C11

Note: The Health curriculum organizer includes prescribed learning outcomes that some students and their parents or guardians may feel more comfortable addressing at home. Teachers should consider informing parents and guardians before addressing the Health learning outcomes. Students, with the consent of their parents/guardians and in consultation with their school, may choose to address the learning outcomes in an agreed-upon alternative delivery option. The Alternative Delivery policy applies only to the Health curriculum organizer of Health and Career Education and does not apply to any other curriculum. (Districts are responsible for having their own policies and guidelines in place to explain how alternative delivery can be applied and these Health learning outcomes assessed.) Refer to ministry policy for more information: www.bced.gov.bc.ca/policy/

$SUGGESTED \ ASSESSMENT \ Units$

Unit 1: Education and Careers

Prescribed Learning Outcomes

It is expected that students will:

GOALS AND DECISIONS

- A1 design a plan to achieve a specific goal
- A2 demonstrate an ability to apply a decision-making model to a specific situation

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

- B1 classify jobs according to career clusters (e.g., by type of industry, type of work, personal interests)
- B2 identify skills that are transferable to a range of school and recreational situations (e.g., time management, teamwork, problem solving, communication, adaptability)

Planning for Assessment	Assessment Strategies
 Career cluster collage As a class, discuss different ways that jobs can be organized. For example, by type of industry (e.g., agriculture, arts, computers, construction, education, medical, service) type of work (e.g., hands-on, paperwork, using technology, research, outdoors) related to personal skills and interests (e.g., music, writing, sports, technology, science, helping others) 	• Have students work individually or in groups to create a collage of jobs using one of the clustering methods discussed in class. Look for evidence that they are able to classify the jobs according to set criteria (e.g., type of work, industry, skills and interests).
Ask students to bring in pictures or words depicting as many different paid and volunteer jobs and careers that they can find. Distribute the jobs randomly to students, and discuss any that are unfamiliar. Ask them to create a "human career cluster," forming groups according to the type of job they've been assigned. Challenge them to create as many different clusters as they can using the same jobs.	

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Education and Careers (continued)

PLANNING FOR ASSESSMENT

Skills inventory

• Brainstorm activities that students do for recreation and fun (e.g., playing music, bike riding, playing video games, reading, volunteering at a hospital). Write each of these on a slip of paper, and select them one by one. In teams and using a game show format, challenge students to list as many transferable skills as they can that apply to the activity (e.g., specific skills related to categories such as time management, communication, teamwork literacy, creativity, physical abilities, and technology). Share and discuss, and create a class list of these skills.

Job application (extension activity)

• Have students identify a job, real or simulated, that they might like to do in the near future (e.g., lawn cutting, babysitting, car washing, newspaper delivery, volunteering at a seniors' centre, working with a community action group, coaching a younger children's soccer team). Ask them to list and describe the skills they have that would be needed for that job.

Assessment Strategies

- Ask students to create a T-chart with an inventory of the transferable skills that they currently have on one side and those that they feel they don't yet have on another. Have them use coloured highlighters to identify which skills can be applied to a variety of settings (e.g., schoolwork, co-curricular activities, future careers). Look for evidence that students are able to
 - identify specific transferable skills (e.g., active listening, assertive communication, teamwork, sharing, following directions, research, literacy, technology, hand-eye co-ordination, setting priorities, punctuality, adaptability, creativity, ability to learn new skills and take on new challenges)
 - identify how each skill can be applied (e.g., through schoolwork, recreational activities, home responsibilities, future jobs)

Advise students that they will be assessed on their abilities to identify and categorize the skills, not on whether they actually have acquired those skills.

As an extension, have students set goals for developing one or more transferable skills.

- Look for evidence that students are able to
 identify specific transferable skills

 (e.g., communication, teamwork, following)
 - directions, research, literacy, technology, adaptability) that would be applicable to this job
 - describe how they have acquired those skills (e.g., through schoolwork, recreational activities, home responsibilities)

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Education and Careers (continued)

PLANNING FOR ASSESSMENT	Assessment Strategies
 Goal-setting plan Review how to write goals by brainstorming and discussing examples relevant to students at this age (e.g., save money for a school trip, complete a science project by the weekend, read a new book every month, learn how to play two new musical scales, learn how to spike a volleyball). Brainstorm and discuss obstacles they might encounter as they work toward their goals (e.g., family expectations, values, cost, time, media, peers, abilities, competing priorities). Ask each student to write two short-term goals (e.g., within a week) and one long-term goal (e.g., by the end of the year). Students may choose to identify school or personal goals. Have them share their goals with a partner for discussion and development. 	• Ask students to select one of their short-term or long-term goals, or set a new one, and devise a plan for achieving that goal. Ask them to create a detailed plan for achieving their goal, including a timeline, a log for recording their progress, and criteria for success. Use criteria such as those outlined in the sample assessment instrument provided at the end of this grade (Goal-Setting Plan) as the basis for teacher and self-assessment of their plan.

Unit 2: Relationships

Prescribed Learning Outcomes

It is expected that students will:

HEALTH: Healthy Relationships

- C5 identify characteristics of healthy relationships and unhealthy relationships (e.g., healthy relationships respect, open communication; unhealthy relationships jealousy, power imbalance, lack of empathy)
- C6 describe a variety of influences on relationships (e.g., peers, family, media, physical and emotional changes as a result of puberty)
- C7 demonstrate behaviours that contribute to the prevention of stereotyping, discrimination, and bullying

HEALTH: Safety and Injury Prevention

- C8 identify safety strategies that can be used to avoid potentially abusive or exploitative situations (e.g., personal safety rules and strategies for using the Internet, knowing and recognizing tricks and lures used by abusers, telling a trusted adult)
- C9 propose strategies to avoid potentially unsafe situations on the road and in the community (e.g., recognize hazards and potential for injury, use assertive communication skills, use protective equipment, get relevant training and education)

Relationship skills log• Ask students over the course of several days or weeks to keep a log of as many positive relationship characteristics they see demonstrated in the relationships around them, as well as on TV, in books, in magazine and newspaper articles, in movies, in video games, etc. (Note that if students are including the relationships in their own lives they should omit the names.) Provide opportunities for students to share and discuss their lists, focussing on skills such as communication and problem solving.• Discuss as a class the criteria for students' relationship characteristic and one negative relationship characteristic in each of the following categories: • verbal communication • non-verbal communication • emotional and social communication (e.g., honesty, empathy, and respect vs. jealousy and dishonesty) • assertiveness vs. aggression • ways of solving problemsConclude by asking students to use their learning logs to select on • how the particular skills could be used to further develop this relationship • what additional skills could be used to further develop this relationship • how the individuals involved did or could have contributed to make the relationship healthy	PLANNING FOR ASSESSMENT	Assessment Strategies
	 Ask students over the course of several days or weeks to keep a log of as many positive relationship characteristics they see demonstrated in the relationships around them, as well as on TV, in books, in magazine and newspaper articles, in movies, in video games, etc. (Note that if students are including the relationships in their own lives they should omit the names.) Provide opportunities for students to share and discuss their lists, focussing on skills such as 	 relationship skills logs. For example, students can be required to identify at least one positive relationship characteristic and one negative relationship characteristic in each of the following categories: verbal communication non-verbal communication emotional and social communication (e.g., honesty, empathy, and respect vs. jealousy and dishonesty) assertiveness vs. aggression ways of solving problems Conclude by asking students to use their learning logs to select one relationship they witnessed and reflect on how the particular skills support the relationship what additional skills could be used to further develop this relationship how the individuals involved did or could have contributed to make the relationship healthy

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Relationships (continued)	
PLANNING FOR ASSESSMENT	Assessment Strategies
 Bullying prevention workshops Review and discuss definitions of stereotyping, discrimination, and bullying. Have students conduct anonymous surveys of other classes to research the incidences of stereotyping, discrimination, and bullying at the school. Review and discuss the results as a class. Challenge students to work in groups or as a class to prepare a workshop to teach other students about preventing and responding to stereotyping, discrimination, and bullying. Review strategies for addressing stereotyping, discrimination, and bullying that students can include in their workshops (e.g., recognizing and defining stereotyping, discrimination and bullying; communication and conflict resolution skills; fostering a culture of respect; school rules and policies for reporting and responding). Students may present their workshops for younger or older classes. 	 Have students conduct peer assessments of each others' work in the stereotyping, discrimination, and bullying prevention workshops. Assessment could be based on the extent to which they are able to demonstrate specific skills such as leadership skills conflict resolution effective communication skills respectful language respect for diversity inclusiveness appropriate reporting practices In addition, the criteria outlined in <i>BC Performance Standards: Social Responsibility – Grades 6 to 8</i> can be used to assess students in relation to contributing to a safe and caring school environment (Section 1) solving problems in peaceful ways (Section 2) valuing diversity and defending human rights (Section 3) BC Performance Standards are available online at www.bced.gov.bc.ca/perf_stands/
 Influences on relationships game Divide students into small groups to brainstorm and discuss the messages that young people receive about relationships. Have them focus their discussion using questions such as the following: What is the message? Who is giving it? Are the relationships they see depicted in the media (e.g., TV, movies, magazines, video games) realistic? Why or why not? What messages about relationships do they receive from families? From peers? Are these similar to or different from media messages? Are the relationships they see healthy? Why or why not? Are messages about relationships different for younger children? For older adolescents and adults? If so, how? Ask groups to report their findings back to the back to the class for further discussion and debriefing. 	 Challenge students to work in groups to create a game (e.g., board game, game show) related to influences on relationships. Suggest that students structure their game by identifying a variety of relationship scenarios and asking questions about peer, family, media, and developmental influences on those situations. Advise students that the criteria for assessment of their games will be the extent to which they identify and describe a variety of ways in which peers can influence relationships (e.g., group dynamics, social pressure, sense of belonging) identify and describe a variety of ways in which families can influence relationships (e.g., values, rules, expectations, modelling caring behaviours) identify and describe a variety of ways in which media can influence relationships (e.g., stereotypes, sexual messages, glamorized risky behaviours, examples of healthy relationships) identify and describe a variety of ways

identify and describe a variety of ways in which changes as a result of puberty can influence relationships (e.g., emerging romantic attractions and feelings, changing dynamics of friendships due to differing developmental rates)

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Relationships (continued)

Planning for Assessment	Assessment Strategies
 Safety manual Use videos or other resources to illustrate characteristic patterns in abusive or exploitative relationships (e.g., victims may make excuses for the abuser, blame themselves, fail to report, or terminate the relationship; abusers may use threats, favours, expressions of remorse, or promises to never do it again). Emphasize that secrecy and escalation are frequently part of the pattern of abuse. Review and discuss appropriate strategies for responding to abusive or exploitative situations (e.g., risk awareness and avoidance, not sharing personal information, asking for help if a confusing situation arises, knowing that the abuse is not going to stop or get better on its own). 	 Have students work in groups to write a manual for avoiding potentially abusive or exploitative situations on the Internet and in the community Look for evidence that they are able to identify a range of safety strategies for using the Internet (e.g., refrain from sharing personal contact or family information, refrain from meeting an Internet contact in person, know and recognize tricks and lures used by Internet predators, tell a trusted adult when confronted with risky or uncomfortable situations) identify a range of safety strategies related to community situations (e.g., know and recognize tricks/lures used by abusers, sexual predators, or sex trade recruiters; tell a trusted adult when confronted with risky or uncomfortable situations; know when it is safer to be accompanied by friends or family) use specific examples relevant for the local community

Note: Discussions about abusive situations can result in a student disclosing an incident of child abuse and/or neglect. Teachers should be aware of district protocols and provincial regulations for reporting and referrals. For information about reporting protocol, refer to the *BC Handbook for Action on Child Abuse and Neglect* – available online at www.mcf.gov.bc.ca/child_protection/pdf/handbook_action_child_abuse.pdf

Unit 3: Influences on Decisions

Prescribed Learning Outcomes

It is expected that students will:

HEALTH: Healthy Living

- C1 analyse factors (including media and peer) that influence personal health decisions
- C3 demonstrate an ability to access community information and support services for a variety of health issues

HEALTH: Healthy Relationships

C6 describe a variety of influences on relationships (e.g., peers, family, media, physical and emotional changes as a result of puberty)

HEALTH: Substance Misuse Prevention

- C10 analyse media and social influences related to substance misuse
- C11 describe healthy alternatives to substance misuse (e.g., stress management, substance-free social activities)

PLANNING FOR ASSESSMENT	Assessment Strategies
Chart	
 As a class, brainstorm a variety of issues and decisions about personal health that students at this age face (e.g., physical activity, healthy eating practices, relationships, bullying and discrimination, sleep, hygiene, substance use). For each issue, discuss how media, peer, family, and other factors can influence their health decisions positively or negatively. Bring in examples from print or broadcast media for illustration (e.g., unrealistic body images, fad diets, sexualized media messages, advertisements promoting participation in events such as sponsored runs/walks). Create a chart of these influences and discuss as a class. 	 Have students create a chart listing the most significant factors in their lives that influence their decisions in relation to health issues such as nutrition, physical activity, substance use, and relationships. For each category, have them give specific examples of how peers, media, family, and other factors influence their decisions and attitudes positively or negatively. Look for evidence that they are able to analyse and give specific examples of the role of the media in portraying health issues and influencing a variety of health decisions analyse and give specific examples of the role of peers in influencing a variety of health decisions analyse and give specific examples of the role of peers in influencing a variety of health decisions

of family in influencing a variety of health decisions

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Influences on Decisions (continued)

PLANNING FOR ASSESSMENT	Assessment Strategies
Debate	
 Present attitude statements about healthy living such as the following: Participation in sports is fun. Smoking is a cool thing to do. I like to eat vegetables for snacks. Soft drinks are the best way to quench your thirst. Sleep isn't that important, I can always catch up later. Ask students to note their level of agreement with each as statement (e.g., strongly disagree, disagree, agree, or strongly agree). Debrief as a class, asking students to explain what or who influenced each of their opinions (e.g., advertising, peers, family, education). Which are the strongest influences? Make a class list of the factors that influence their attitudes. 	 Choose a specific health issue of interest to students and for the focus of a class debate (e.g., "The sale and use of tobacco should be made illegal in Canada." "The sale of junk food should be prohibited in our school.") Discuss as a class the criteria for assessing their debate work; for example, students can be assessed in terms of the extent to which they analyse the role of the media in portraying health decisions analyse the role of peers and family in influencing health decisions analyse the role of influences such as convenience, availability, price, culture, school and community support, personal needs, and trends describe the role of personal responsibility in decision making related to health issues cite a minimum of three sources of information to support their position
Autobiography (extension activity)	
 Ask students to imagine themselves 30 or more years in the future and to write an autobiography highlighting their lifestyle and health profile. 	• Look for evidence that students are able to relate knowledge of health choices to future consequences.

Unit 4: Avoiding and Responding to Risks

Prescribed Learning Outcomes

It is expected that students will:

HEALTH: Healthy Living

C4 demonstrate an understanding of the life-threatening nature of HIV/AIDS (e.g., HIV/AIDS damages the immune system, there is currently no known cure for HIV/AIDS)

HEALTH: Safety and Injury Prevention

C9 propose strategies to avoid potentially unsafe situations on the road and in the community (e.g., recognize hazards and potential for injury, use assertive communication skills, use protective equipment, get relevant training and education)

HEALTH: Substance Misuse Prevention

C11 describe healthy alternatives to substance misuse (e.g., stress management, substance-free social activities)

PLANNING FOR ASSESSMENT	Assessment Strategies
Safety demonstrations	
 As a class, discuss what it means to be safe. What can students do to stay safe physically, emotionally, and socially? Brainstorm what is "risky behaviour" and what it looks like. Generate a list of scenarios that involve potential risks (e.g., snowboarding, rock climbing, boating, unsupervised social events, spending a lot of time with older adolescents, Internet chat rooms) and discuss the perspectives of what is considered safe or unsafe. Generate a list of safety issues and poll the class on what is considered high risk, medium risk, and low risk. As a class, review and discuss safety risks that young people need to be aware of on the road and in the community. Include general risks in any setting, as well as specific risks for the local community (e.g., bodies of water, industrial sites, railroad tracks, wilderness areas). 	 Have students form buddies with primary students. Create opportunities for them to model responsible decision making and safe behaviour for the younger students (e.g., bike rodeo, assemblies, playground behaviour, skating safety, safe Internet use). Look for evidence that they are able to identify risks in relation to specific environments (e.g., on the road, parking lots, parties, isolated areas, industrial sites, kitchens, home alone) identify risks in relation to specific activities (e.g., babysitting, recreational activities, delivering newspapers, household activities such as cooking or cutting the lawn, lifting heavy objects, listening to loud music, using the Internet) identify relevant strategies for avoiding injury in a range of situations
Quiz	
• Conduct a prior learning quiz to determine students' current state of knowledge about the difference between HIV and AIDS, how the disease is contracted, how to help stop its spread, and why this particular communicable disease is so serious (e.g., causes permanent damage to the immune system, there is treatment but currently no known cure, people can be infected with HIV and not know it for a several years). Review the responses as a class, and use video, Internet, and other resources to fill in students' understanding.	 Have students complete a learning log entry to summarize what they have learned about HIV and AIDS. Provide them with phrases such as the following to guide their work: HIV is AIDS is Three reasons why HIV/AIDS is such a serious disease are, and Three common ways that HIV is spread are, and Three practises that help prevent the spread of HIV/AIDS are, and Two sources of information that I used for my research are

PLANNING FOR ASSESSMENT	Assessment Strategies
 AIDS Awareness campaign (extension activity) As a class project, have students plan an HIV/ AIDS awareness campaign in the school or community in conjunction with World AIDS Day (December 1). 	 As a class, determine criteria for assessing students' AIDS awareness projects. For example, students can be assessed on their accurate inclusion of definitions of HIV and AIDS ways in which HIV is contracted ways to help prevent the spread of HIV why HIV/AIDS is such a serious disease
 Public service announcement In small groups, have students discuss healthy, positive ways of having fun as alternatives to substance use (e.g., sports, recreational) 	• Provide opportunities for groups to present their work for the rest of the class to review. Criteria
to substance use (e.g., sports, recreational activities, volunteering, group activities in the community, substance-free parties, bringing own non-alcoholic drinks to parties). Have them work in their groups to develop a public service	for peer assessment should be the application of principles such as - realistic alternative to substance misuse - appeal for age group - addressing influences on substance use
announcement (e.g., school radio address, drama presentation, web page, slide show, newspaper article) to promote their strategy.	(e.g., media, peer, risky situations such as unsupervised parties)

Avoiding and Responding to Risks (continued)

Unit 5: Healthy Adolescence

Prescribed Learning Outcomes

It is expected that students will:

GOALS AND DECISIONS

A2 demonstrate an ability to apply a decision-making model to a specific situation

HEALTH: Healthy Living

- C1 analyse factors (including media and peer) that influence personal health decisions
- C2 describe strategies for attaining and maintaining physical, emotional, and social health during puberty and adolescence
- C3 demonstrate an ability to access community information and support services for a variety of health issues

HEALTH: Safety and Injury Prevention

C9 propose strategies to avoid potentially unsafe situations on the road and in the community (e.g., recognize hazards and potential for injury, use assertive communication skills, use protective equipment, get relevant training and education)

HEALTH: Substance Misuse Prevention

- C10 analyse media and social influences related to substance misuse
- C11 describe healthy alternatives to substance misuse (e.g., stress management, substance-free social activities)

PLANNING FOR ASSESSMENT	Assessment Strategies
 Personal healthy choices log Review and discuss strategies for staying physically and emotionally healthy during puberty and adolescence. Discuss the healthy choices: How much sleep do you need? How much time should you spend for physical activity? What are some healthy eating choices you can make? How much time do you spend in activities that promote emotional health? 	 Ask students to keep a log of their personal healthy choices for a week. At the conclusion of the week, have students submit their log along with a self-assessment of their choices, completing stems such as the following: My physical activity is My eating practices My eating practices To relax for me means One way I use to deal with stress is When I feel anxious I My sleep Reflection is important because I maintain supportive friendships by A physical activity goal I set for myself is I respect others by When I hear or see gossip about someone, I I believe good health for young people is important because I need to improve in
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Healthy Adolescence (continued)

PLANNING FOR ASSESSMENT	Assessment Strategies
Research project	
 Have students work in groups to conduct a research project on a selected health or safety issue (e.g., obesity, disordered eating, heart disease, stress, substance misuse, bullying, abusive or exploitative situations, HIV/AIDS, relationships, road safety, depression). Assist students in identifying relevant sources of information on the topic (e.g., public health department, community health educators, medical practitioners, counselling services, Internet, pamphlets, textbooks). 	 Discuss as a class the criteria for assessing students' research. Advise students that they will be assessed on their abilities to access the relevant sources of information and support rather than on their actual findings. For example, students can be assessed on their abilities to list relevant health issues (e.g., nutrition, physical activity, smoking, stress, bullying, relationship problems) list a variety of health services and agencies available in the local community (e.g., public health department, community health educators, medical practitioners, counselling services), and describe the services, support, or information provided by each gather specific information from sources identified
	 Follow up by having students use their learning logs to complete sentence stems such as the following: The most important thing I learned about this health issue The most interesting thing I learned about this health issue is I used to think, but now I know that I changed my mind on this because I can take personal responsibility for my own choices related to this health issue by I can find out more information about this health issue from
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Healthy Adolescence (continued)

PLANNING FOR ASSESSMENT	Assessment Strategies
 School health and safety plan As a class, brainstorm ways school activities and facilities promote health (e.g., daily physical activity, adequate lighting, recess breaks, vending machines with healthy food choices, respecting diversity, code of conduct, buddying and mentoring programs). Review the list, having students explain how each activity promotes health. Ask students to brainstorm additional activities the school could do to promote health and safety. Challenge students to create and, where practical, implement a plan for promoting a particular aspect of safety and health within the school environment. Students may choose to address topics such as healthy eating, physical activity, stress management, bullying, safety and injury prevention, or substance misuse prevention. Examples of activities could include design, produce, and distribute promotional T-shirts, posters, or buttons (e.g., "Students at this school are drug free!" "Bullying-Free Zone" "Helmets Save Lives!") establish a peer mentorship or "Kids Helping Kids" program set up an awareness evening hold a contest for the best poster addressing health and safety issues create and present a lunch-time play or song write articles for the school and community newspapers or create a page for the school web site promoting a particular health issue 	 Work with students to identify criteria for assessing their school health and safety plans. Depending on the topic and activity type, criteria could include any of the following: identify a relevant health and safety issue apply accurate information about the health and safety issue in their plan identify and take advantage of relevant sources of information and support in implementing their plan take account of influences (e.g., peers, media, family) on this health and safety issue apply a decision-making model to create their plan Additionally, criteria such as those outlined in the sample assessment instrument provided at the end of this grade (Decision Making) can be used as the basis for peer, teacher, and self-assessment of students' planning processes in relation to their school health and safety projects.

Assessment Instrument **GOAL-SETTING PLAN**

Name: _____ Date: _____

My goal: _____

	Rating	g (1-4)
My goal-setting plan:	Self	Teacher
My goal is specific, realistic, measurable, and timely.		
I included a timeline for reaching my goal.		
I identified costs and resources for reaching my goal.		
I identified potential barriers to reaching my goal and ways to overcome those barriers.		
I identified factors that may influence the achievement of my goal.		
I identified sources of support for achieving my goal.		
I know I will have achieved my goal when		
What I learned from this process that I can apply to future goals		
Teacher comments:		

Key: 1 = Not Yet within Expectations, 2 = Minimally Meets Expectations, 3 = Fully Meets Expectations, 4 = Exceeds Expectations

Assessment Instrument DECISION MAKING

4	 Clearly and accurately describes the issue and all of its important aspects. Applies relevant knowledge about the issue from class activities; conducts additional research to supplement information, and identifies a variety of sources of further information. Completely addresses each stage of the decision-making process. Consistently uses the information gathered from one stage and applies it in subsequent stages. Proposes creative, realistic alternatives that address all of the important aspects of the problem. Describes in detail how each alternative addresses the problem. Fully explores the advantages and disadvantages of each alternative. The decision is thorough, organized, appropriate, and may be original. The student explains the reasoning that led to the decision, provides support for the choice, suggests a course of action, and takes appropriate steps to implement the decision.
3	 Accurately describes the issue and identifies most important aspects. Applies relevant knowledge about the issue from class activities, and identifies sources of further information. Addresses each stage of the decision-making process, but may overlook some details. Applies some of the information in subsequent stages. Proposes realistic alternatives that address the key aspects of the problem. Suggests some advantages and disadvantages for each alternative and relates them to the problem. The decision is complete and appropriate. The student explains the decision and provides some reasons why it was selected, suggests a course of action, and takes steps to implement the decision.
2	 States the issue, but omits some important aspects. May apply some factual information about the issue. Attempts to address each stage of the decision-making process, but may not relate the information from one stage to the next. Proposes alternatives that address some of the key aspects. Alternatives may only partially address the problem. May identify advantages or disadvantages, but does not fully relate them to the problem. The decision may be complete, but may not be thorough or organized. The student provides a decision, but only partially explains why it was selected. The choice may be based on incomplete information.
1	 Does not recognize that a decision needs to be made. Makes no attempt to apply factual information about the issue. Does not address the stages of the decision-making process. May focus on only one stage. Suggests only a single decision to the problem, or does not provide a decision. Alternatives might not relate to the problem. May focus on only one advantage or disadvantage. May offer irrelevant or illogical arguments or be unable to explain reasoning. May not suggest there are advantages or disadvantages associated with each alternative. May identify only advantages of a preferred decision. The decision may be partial, disorganized, or inappropriate. The student does not provide a reason why the decision was selected.



LEARNING RESOURCES

This section contains general information on learning resources, and provides a link to the titles, descriptions, and ordering information for the recommended learning resources in the Health and Career Education K to 7 Grade Collections.

What Are Recommended Learning Resources?

Recommended learning resources are resources that have undergone a provincial evaluation process using teacher evaluators and have Minister's Order granting them provincial recommended status. These resources may include print, video, software and CD-ROMs, games and manipulatives, and other multimedia formats. They are generally materials suitable for student use, but may also include information aimed primarily at teachers.

Information about the recommended resources is organized in the format of a Grade Collection. A Grade Collection can be regarded as a "starter set" of basic resources to deliver the curriculum. In many cases, the Grade Collection provides a choice of more than one resource to support curriculum organizers, enabling teachers to select resources that best suit different teaching and learning styles. Teachers may also wish to supplement Grade Collection resources with locally approved materials.

How Can Teachers Choose Learning Resources to Meet Their Classroom Needs?

Teachers must use either

- provincially recommended resources OR
- resources that have been evaluated through a local, board-approved process

Prior to selecting and purchasing new learning resources, an inventory of resources that are already available should be established through consultation with the school and district resource centres. The ministry also works with school districts to negotiate cost-effective access to various learning resources.

What Are the Criteria Used to Evaluate Learning Resources?

The Ministry of Education facilitates the evaluation of learning resources that support BC curricula, and that will be used by teachers and/or students for instructional and assessment purposes. Evaluation criteria focus on content, instructional design, technical considerations, and social considerations.

Additional information concerning the review and selection of learning resources is available from the ministry publication, *Evaluating*, *Selecting and Managing Learning Resources: A Guide* (Revised 2002) www.bced.gov.bc.ca/irp/resdocs/esm_guide.pdf

What Funding is Available for Purchasing Learning Resources?

As part of the selection process, teachers should be aware of school and district funding policies and procedures to determine how much money is available for their needs. Funding for various purposes, including the purchase of learning resources, is provided to school districts. Learning resource selection should be viewed as an ongoing process that requires a determination of needs, as well as long-term planning to co-ordinate individual goals and local priorities.

What Kinds of Resources Are Found in a Grade Collection?

The Grade Collection charts list the recommended learning resources by media format, showing links to the curriculum organizers and suborganizers. Each chart is followed by an annotated bibliography. Teachers should check with suppliers for complete and up-to-date ordering information. Most suppliers maintain web sites that are easy to access.

HEALTH AND CAREER EDUCATION K TO 7 GRADE COLLECTIONS

The Grade Collections for Health and Career Education K to 7 include newly recommended learning resources as well as relevant resources previously recommended for prior versions of the Health and Career Education K to 7 curriculum (previously Personal Planning K to 7). The ministry updates the Grade Collections on a regular basis as new resources are developed and evaluated.

Please check the following ministry web site for the most current list of recommended learning resources in the Grade Collections for each IRP: www.bced.gov.bc.ca/irp_resources/lr/resource/gradcoll.htm





This glossary defines selected terms used in this Integrated Resource Package as they pertain to Health and Career Education K to 7. It is provided for clarity only, and is not intended to be an exhaustive list of terminology related to the topics in this curriculum.



active transportation

Includes cycling, skating (e.g., skateboards, inline skates, scooters), and walking. Regular use of active transportation is one strategy for maintaining a healthy, active lifestyle.

body fluids

Includes blood, saliva, urine, mucus, vomit, semen, vaginal fluid, amniotic fluid, etc. through which viruses can be transmitted. Different communicable diseases can be contracted through different specific body fluids and different methods of contact (e.g., ingestion, via a needle, through the eyes or nose, sexual contact).

bullying

A pattern of repeated aggressive behaviour with negative intent, directed from one person to another where there is a power imbalance. Bullying may be physical (e.g., hitting, punching, shoving), verbal (e.g., name-calling, teasing, coercion, threats), or social (e.g., alienation, gossiping, inciting hatred). Bullying is distinct from occasional interpersonal conflict in that bullying is generally repeated over time, is intended to hurt, and usually involves a power imbalance. See also *cyber-bullying*.

career clusters

A categorization system of occupations, usually with related skills and interests. At these grades, it is not expected that career sectors will be a formal classification (e.g., the Canadian National Occupation Classification – NOC). Instead, careers can be classified according to categories such as

- type of industry (e.g., education, medical, service, agriculture)
- location of work (e.g., indoors, outdoors; urban, rural; factory, office building, store, lab)
- type of work (e.g., hands-on, paperwork, research, outdoors)
- related personal interests (e.g., music, writing, sports, technology, science)

cyber-bullying

Also known as "Internet bullying" or "digital bullying," refers to harassment that takes place using an electronic medium. Cyber-bullying can occur through e-mail, instant messaging, text messaging, chat rooms, online voting booths, or other electronic means.

discrimination

When a person – on the basis of her or his sex, age, sexual orientation, race, religion, or physical or mental ability – suffers disadvantages or is denied opportunities available to other members of society.

diversity

Refers to the ways in which we differ from each other. Some of these differences may be visible (e.g., race, ethnicity, sex, age, ability), while others are less visible (e.g., culture, ancestry, language, religious beliefs, sexual orientation, socioeconomic background). Honouring diversity is based on the principle that, if these differences are acknowledged and utilized in a positive way, it is of benefit to the quality of our learning and working environments.

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germ

A term for micro-organisms (including viruses and bacteria) that cause diseases.

health

Refers to physical, social, and emotional (mental) well-being. Optimum health is a state of complete well-being in each dimension, and is not merely the absence of disease or infirmity.

healthy eating

Eating according to the recommendations from *Canada's Food Guide to Healthy Eating*. Concepts of healthy eating include

- eating the recommended number of servings from each of the four food groups (recommendations by age, sex, and activity level)
- choosing a variety of healthy options within each food group (e.g., whole grains, a range of colours of vegetables and fruit, low-fat milk products, lean meat and alternatives)
- awareness of appropriate serving size
- eating according to hunger and fullness cues

HIV/AIDS

HIV stands for human immuno-deficiency virus. It is the virus that causes AIDS (acquired immuno-deficiency syndrome), a serious and potentially fatal disease for which there are treatments but currently no cure. HIV is spread through contact with infected *body fluids*.

nutrients

The components of food needed by the body for health and development. Nutrients include macronutrients (carbohydrates, fats, proteins, and fibre) and micronutrients (vitamins, minerals, and phytochemicals or antioxidants).

peer pressure

Verbal or non-verbal active or passive social influences (e.g., words, behaviours) that are intended to affect a person's attitudes or actions. Although peer pressure is traditionally thought to be a negative influence, it can also have positive effects (e.g., encouragement to quit smoking or to avoid harmful gossip).

personal attributes

Skills, knowledge, interests, aptitudes, values, etc. relevant for education and career planning.

safe and caring schools

A safe and caring school is one that creates a respectful environment, free of bullying and discrimination, where all feel welcome and accepted, and where all feel free to learn and to speak openly. (For the purposes of this curriculum, the term "safe and caring schools" does not refer to the structural safety of the school building and grounds.)

stereotype

Preconceived notions about a person or group of people based on their characteristics such as their sex, age, sexual orientation, race, religion, or physical or mental ability.

substance misuse

Also known as "substance abuse" or "problematic substance use," refers to the use of any substance (e.g., tobacco, alcohol, prescription drugs, illegal drugs, inebriants such as solvents) in a way that is harmful to a person's well-being – physically, socially, mentally, or financially.

transferable skills

Refers to abilities and attributes – such as communication, numeracy, problem solving, positive attitude, time management, adaptability, continuous skill development, creativity, and teamwork – that can contribute to success in any education, recreation, or work setting. Transferable skills are also sometimes referred to as "employability skills" or "work habits."