PROFESSIONAL AND EVIDENCE-INFORMED INNOVATION SUPPORTING CHILD AND ADOLESCENT PSYCHIATRY POSTGRADUATE TRAINING IN EQUITY, DIVERSITY, AND INCLUSION PRINCIPLES

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- Current social climate has brought attention to longstanding **historic and systemic social inequities** impacting **child and** youth mental health
- Interrelated biological, behavioural, and environmental factors intersect and compound, resulting in differential mental health outcomes and disparate experiences for marginalized groups (e.g. due to race, ethnicity, religion, immigrant/newcomer status, ability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, etc.)
- Despite this, equity, diversity, and inclusion (EDI) principles have not traditionally been a major component of child and adolescent psychiatry (CAP) residency education
- Need to ensure learners are equipped to bridge current disconnect between **clinical work** and **health/social inequities** to improve clinical care

PHASE 3

CKGROUND

Scan

PHASE 2 **PHASE** 1 Environmenta Module

Development

Testing

PHASE 1: ENVIRONMENTAL SCAN

- Needs assessment of national CAP EDI curricula (sampling program directors, past and present psychiatry residents, and individuals with lived experience in mental health system)
- Exploring perceived EDI learning needs, including facilitators, barriers, and motivation for change within various programs

PHASE 2: MODULE DESIGN

Co-design and co-develop series of online learning modules addressing educational gaps identified through needs assessment

PHASE 3: TESTING

Pilot test, evaluate, and iteratively fine-tune modules using Kirkpatrick's levels of training criteria

LEVEL 3: BEHAVIOUR

Have participants applied what they learned from the training?

LEVEL 1: REACTION

How did participants respond to the training?

LEVEL 4: RESULTS

What benefits has the organization experienced as a result of the training?

LEVEL 2: LEARNING

How much did participants learn from the training and have their skills improved?

PHASE 4: DISSEMINATION

- and learning among CAP trainees



OBJECTIVE

To develop and evaluate a series of co-created, evidence-informed virtual educational modules focused on EDI themes relevant to CAP







Culturally-informed parent/child interviews LGBTQ+ sensitive child psychiatry practice

Mental health in racialized populations Biopsychosociocultural formulation

Indigenous mental health in CAP

Trauma-informed care in CAP

• Local and national dissemination to promote EDI teaching

• Potential to adapt modules for broader applicability (e.g. to general psychiatric practice, other medical specialties, and a variety of interdisciplinary healthcare professionals)

