# Peers4Wellness: Indigenous Model for Supportive HCV and HIV care

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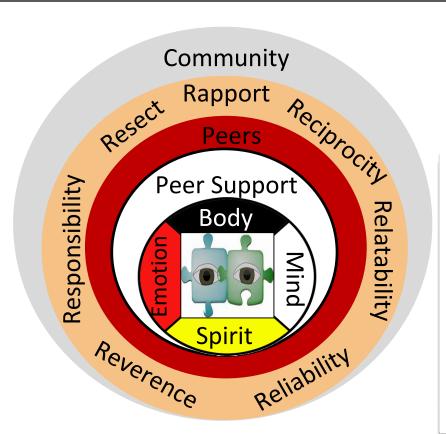
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### The Peers4Wellness (P4W) Study

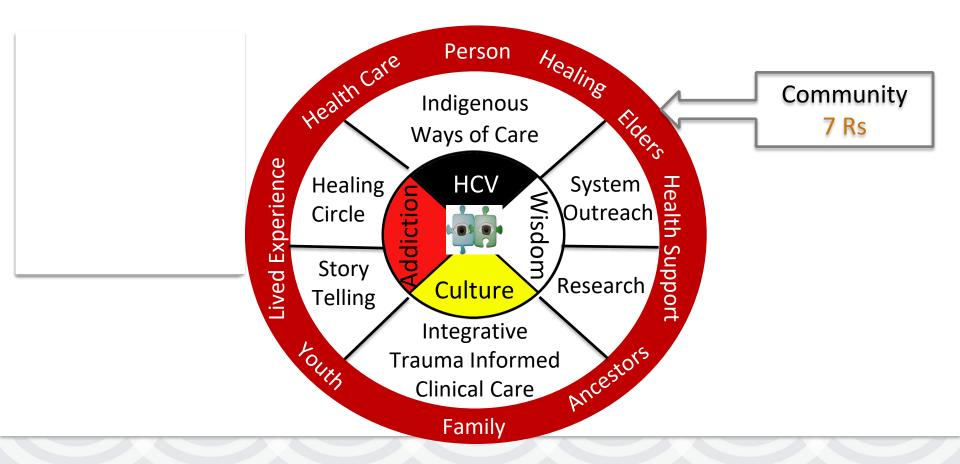
- Indigenous and peer lead study
- Community based participatory research
- Indigenous and qualitative methodologies
- Indigenous model of HCV/HIV peer support for Indigenous women
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## P4W: Indigenous Model for HCV Peer Support



"I have been to [hospital name] ...I was absolutely illegal...as soon as I walked in the door"

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#### In the Women's Words...

"You could help me. Help me...I need some help...They just do not want to help you. Or they show you where to get some help"

"My culture saved my life...my support network has to be strong, because... it's more Hep-C that a lot of the women are passing away from"

"Train these people, to get them off their addiction. To get them more cultural, into the culture. My partner, we've done it without going into treatment centres"