

# Kids | Enfants

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A fundamental principle for the Kids Come First Health Team is, “nothing about us without us”. It is essential that children, youth, parents, and caregivers are equal partners in all that we do; they are instrumental in building trust, improving the quality and safety of care, and transforming care.

The Child, Youth, Family, and Caregiver Partner working group of Kids Come First is a team of partners who work with members of our Kids Come First Health Team partner organizations on projects, initiatives and programs that support kids.

If your organization is looking for expertise from our Child, Youth, Family, and Caregiver Partners, please complete the request form\* below and email it to [communications@kidscomefirst.ca](mailto:communications@kidscomefirst.ca) to tell us more about the initiative/project. Based on the information provided, the Kids Come First Child, Youth, Family, and Caregiver Partner working group will see if any of its members are interested and available.

A Kids Come First team member will contact you via email or phone to follow up on this request and discuss any potential next steps.

Priority will be given to Kids Come First Health Team initiatives. To find out if your activity can be a Kids Come First initiative visit [KidsComeFirst.ca](http://KidsComeFirst.ca) and email us at [communications@kidscomefirst.ca](mailto:communications@kidscomefirst.ca)

Please note, that your application does not guarantee participation from our Child, Youth, Family, and Caregiver Partners.

All information provided in this form is confidential and will only be used by the Kids Come First Health Team for the purposes of determining the availability and interest of the members of the Child, Youth, Family, and Caregiver Partner working group.

Please email [communications@kidscomefirst.ca](mailto:communications@kidscomefirst.ca) should you need any assistance in completing the form.

\*Many of the questions used in this form are adapted from the [FRAYME](#) resource.

# Child, Youth, Family, and Caregiver Partner Involvement Requests

Required fields are marked with asterisks (\*)

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\*Name of your organization/group

\*Are you a Kids Come First Partner organization

Yes

No

Unsure ([Learn more about Kids Come First Partners](#))

\*Primary Contact First Name

\*Primary Contact Last Name

\*Email Address

Phone Number

\*Who are you looking to partner with? Please select all that apply:

Child with lived experience

Youth with lived experience

Family members of a child or youth with lived experience

Caregivers of a child or youth with lived experience

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Why are you seeking a partnership with a child, youth, family and/or caregiver partner?

\*What is the main goal of the project?

Please provide a website, or include documentation with this form, to learn more about the project, group, and your organization:

\*What is the expectation of the child, youth, family and/or caregiver partner in the overall project? What contributions are you hoping for?

\*How will child, youth, family, and/or caregiver partners be involved in decision-making during the project?

\*What is the anticipated time-frame for the project?

\*How many hours of participation (approximately) are needed from the child, youth, family, and/or caregiver partner?

- #      hours per week for #      weeks
- #      hours per month for #      months
- One-time participation for #      hours      weeks      months
- The above includes preparation time
- Participation will be flexible regarding other time commitments such as educational engagements, work commitments, illness etc.

\*How will child, youth, family and/or caregiver partners be engaged?

- In-person meetings
- Virtual meetings
- One-to-one conversations
- Focus Groups
- Survey
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

\*What types of tools will be used for communications and is there flexibility to accommodate if needed? For example, email, phone, virtual meetings, text messages, other, etc.

\*How often are communications sent out?

\*Does your organization have a framework or approach to partnering with child, youth, family, and/or caregiver partners?

Yes

No

\*Will your organization compensate partners according to the Kids Come First framework?

Yes

No

If not, how will child, youth, family, and/or caregiver partners be recognized for their work? For example, monetary compensation, gift cards, reference letters, etc.

\*How is the organization making sure that equity, diversity, and inclusion are reflected in the team?