

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

September 30, 2026

WE THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE CATHOLIC HEALTH ALLIANCE OF CANADA

Are dedicated to providing a welcoming health care community.

Rooted in our purpose, mission and values, we are committed to provide sponsorship of Catholic health services as united in a healing mission to care for people with compassion, justice, and humanity.

Our Commitment to Indigenous Peoples

With great respect, we recognize that Catholic health services operate on the traditional territories of Indigenous Peoples. We honour their spiritual and practical relationships to the land that have created and nurtured a rich heritage for our learning and our life as Canadian communities.

We acknowledge the current health disparities faced by Indigenous Peoples are a result of the oppressive legacy of colonialism and systemic racism. We recognize that we have an obligation to the process of Truth and Reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples and communities, and we are committed to the path of Truth and Reconciliation. We pledge to confront this dark chapter of history with honesty, humility, and compassion.

We recognize that there is still much work to do by the Catholic Church and Catholic health services. We acknowledge the pain caused by the residential school system including, collectively, our affiliation with residential schools. We recognize the steps we take must be authentic and thoughtful.

We embrace the role we play in creating a respectful, inclusive and equitable society, and Catholic health services approaches to care.

