

Improving the Spectrum of Services Offered to English-Speaking Seniors

CIUSSS de la Capitale-Nationale's Experience

Implementation Project: 2014-2018

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English-Speaking Seniors: Regional Profile



- 2,580 people aged 65 or over
 - Projected to grow by 20% by 2026
- 3 out of 4 people suffer from chronic illness
 - Projected to grow by 19-22% by 2026
- 500 hospitalizations per year; on average, 22 short-term beds occupied
- 28% followed by primary healthcare services (all programs combined)



English-Speaking Seniors: Regional Profile (cont'd)

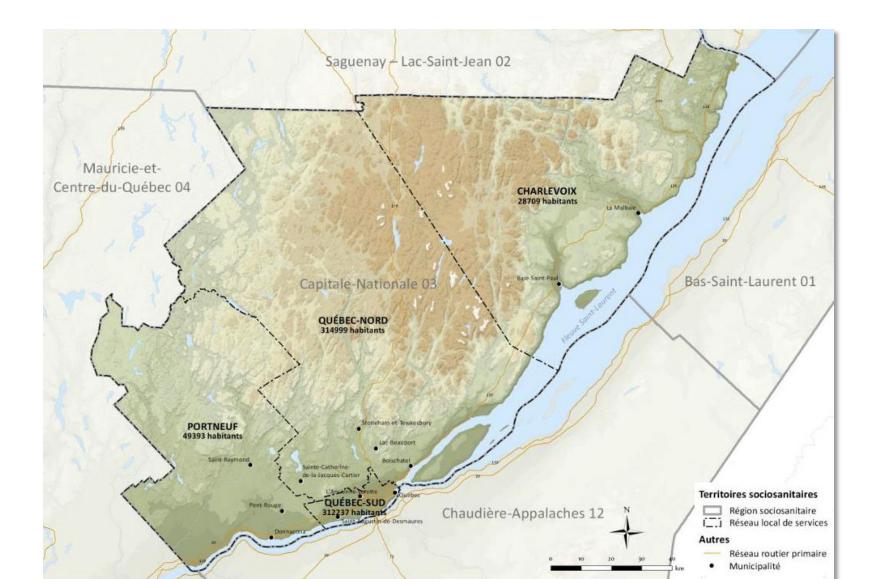


- Aging of the English-speaking population
 - Diminishing health, increasing need for care and services, isolation
- Organization of services is not optimal
 - Lack of bilingual personnel, level of English-language care varies by site and personnel
 - No intermediate resources
- Need for improved communication between partners



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- Bill 10 (April 1, 2015) significant changes to organization of services
 - Merging of 12 institutions
 - Integration of Jeffery Hale Saint Brigid's
 - New directions for various programs and client groups, including "Supporting the Autonomy of Seniors"





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Project Goals





Increased **understanding** of English-speaking seniors' current and projected needs



Increased **collaboration** between all stakeholders



Identification of priorities for action



Implementing practical **methods** for improving the spectrum of services

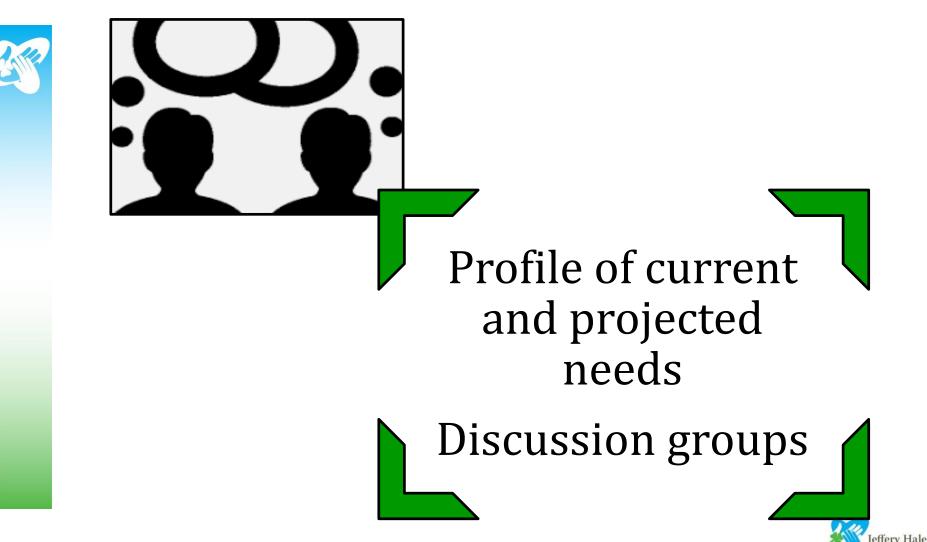




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Increased Understanding



Profile of Current and Projected Needs





- Studies by CIM (2015 and 2017)
 - Current and projected socio-demographic profile
 - Profile of current and projected service use
 - Long-term accommodation, intermediate resources, in-home support, day centre



Profile of Current and Projected Needs





Increased need among English-speaking seniors between now and 2026

Resource	Current Situation	Future Needs (2026)
CHSLDs	Growing needs in terms of both quantity and quality of care	+12 to 25 places
Intermediate resources	Total absence of services for English-speaking seniors	+25 to 44 places
In-home care	Significant increase in number of clients requiring follow-up	+61 to 361 clients
Day centre	Slight increase in usage	+39 clients



Discussion Groups





87 participants 10 groups

Seniors

70 participants 7 groups

Service providers

17 participants 3 groups

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Managed by health care network or Community Partners

29 participants
3 groups

Not managed

41 participants groups



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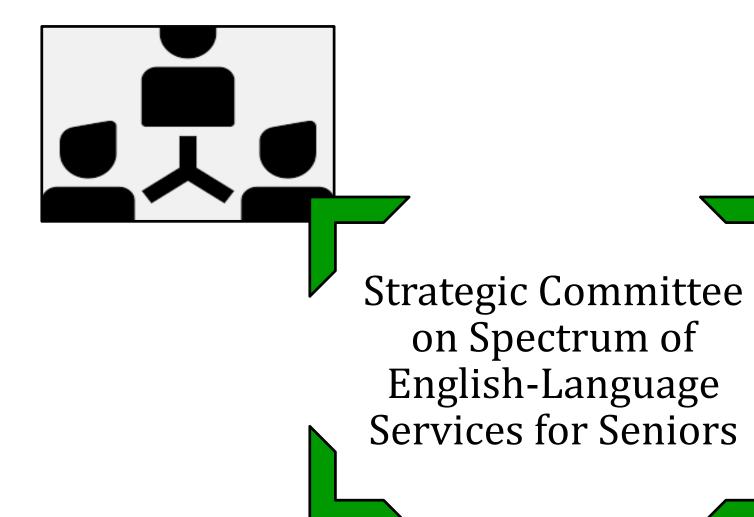
Key takeaways

- Significant need for English-language services, especially for assistance with daily living/domestic help, transportation, and alternate housing
- Participants have a strong desire to receive English-language services
- Experiences with English-language care and services vary significantly (depending on the site, department, and professional)



Increased Collaboration Between Stakeholders





Strategic Committee





Members

 Decision-makers from CIUSSS de la Capitale-Nationale and Jeffery Hale Community Partners

Goals

- To recommend directions and define and implement strategies aimed at improving the spectrum of services for English-speaking seniors
- To establish partnerships and share relevant information in order to facilitate optimal approaches



Identification of Priorities for Action





Strategic Priorities





Improving provision of regional English-language health and social services for English-speaking seniors

Revising the housing spectrum and housing access mechanism for English-speaking seniors

Constructing a residence as an alternative to accommodation in CHSLDs (type 2 clients)

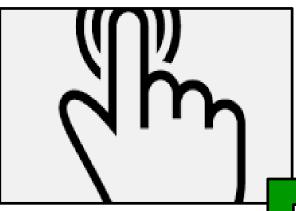
Initiative to improve provision of bilingual domestic support services, particularly by exploring potential partnerships with social enterprises providing domestic help services (EÉSADs)

Improving collaboration mechanisms to support English-speaking seniors within the organization and involve them in the community



Implementation Methods





Policy on the language of service

Retaining and recruiting bilingual personnel

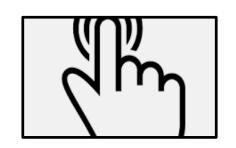
In-home care

Intermediate resources

Involving English-speaking seniors in the community

Saint Brigid's

Policy on the Language of Service



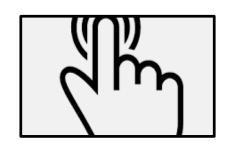


- Language is a determinant of health
- Quality and safety
- Right to receive services in English

 Adoption of Jeffery Hale –
 Saint Brigid's Hospital's "Policy on the Language of Service"



Service Language Policy *Impacts*





- Recognition by CIUSSS de la Capitale-Nationale that it is important to offer care and services adapted to clients' cultural and linguistic needs
- Policy expected to be applied across all of CIUSSS de la Capitale-Nationale



Bilingual Personnel



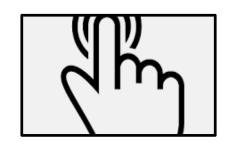


- Labour shortage
- Best practices to be integrated
- Bilingual personnel recruitment, staffing, and retention committee
 - Representatives of the community and education/health networks





Bilingual Personnel Outcomes





- Identifying organizational priorities
 - Identifying language skills required of candidates applying for a position
 - Evaluating personnel's language skills when hired
 - Improving employment offers in order to attract bilingual personnel
- Improving provision of bilingual services



In-Home Care





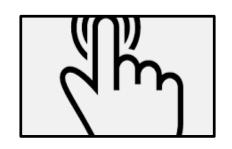
- Bilingual health and social services assistants and orderlies
- Collaboration with social enterprises providing domestic help services (EÉSADs)

- Partnership with the Eastern Quebec Learning Centre
- Call for tenders from EÉSADs





In-Home Care Impacts

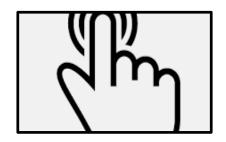




- Training of bilingual orderlies able to handle work in English
- Modification of criteria for calls for tenders from EÉSADs issued by CIUSSS de la Capitale-Nationale
 - Inclusion of a clause covering provision of Englishlanguage care (bilingual personnel)



Intermediate Resources

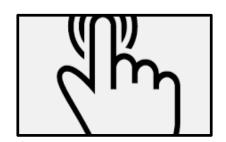




- In Quebec, the availability of services between domestic help and CHSLDs is an issue for English-speaking seniors
 - No intermediate resources
- Development of an intermediate resource or alternate housing for English-speaking seniors



Intermediate Resources *Retained Solutions*

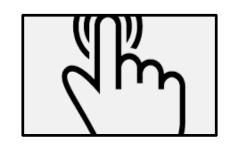




- Broadening access criteria for Saint Brigid's Home CHSLD (transitional phase)
- Considering major functional renovation of Saint Brigid's Home



Involvement in the Community

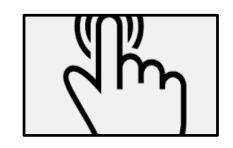




- The English-speaking community at Jeffery Hale – Saint Brigid's has a long history of involvement in volunteering and organizing recreational activities
- In recent years, this community has become less visible
- Development of a formal partnership agreement/framework between Jeffery Hale Community Partners and the CIUSSS



Involvement in the Community - *Impacts*





- Making it an organizational priority to support the role of the English-speaking community within the institution
- Formalizing the provision of integrated services for English-speaking seniors
- Supporting community activities at Saint Brigid's Home





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Improvement of the Care and Service Spectrum



- ✓ Increased knowledge
- ✓ Recognition of specific needs and concerted effort to address them
- ✓ Establishment of alliances and partnerships between the public sector and the community
- ✓ Improvement of the quality and safety of care and services





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Lessons Learned



- Having a long-term strategic vision
- Aiming for structural changes
- Understanding needs and adapting services based on this understanding
- Progressing by building consensus
- Adapting within an evolving landscape





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