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			<p>AES: Close – Fully Implemented</p>
<p>2. In order to sustain and move forward on the progress made through this strategy, additional support for community-based healing programs, services and events in Natuashish and Sheshatshiu will be required.</p>	<p>INAC will provide resources to the Innu in Natuashish and Sheshatshiu for on-reserve programs and services, and the Innu will have access to proposal-based program funding available to all First Nations.</p> <p>Health Canada will continue to provide support to the Innu in Natuashish and Sheshatshiu for community-based healing programs, services and events.</p>	<p>September 2010</p> <p>April 2010</p>	<p>Status: Close</p> <p>Update/Rationale: As of 30/09/2010:</p> <p>The ongoing level of funding for A-based programs and services for the Labrador Innu is comparable to other First Nation communities of a similar size and circumstance and has been calculated using Departmental funding methodologies and formulae.</p> <p>Beyond regular programs and services, the Department also has a number of proposals-based Programs available to all First Nations on-reserve.</p> <p>The Atlantic Region has begun working with the Labrador Innu through the Tripartite Main Table to assist in identifying priorities and present proposal-based opportunities for Innu consideration.</p> <p>AES: Close – Fully Implemented</p>

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<p>3. The Innu and the federal government need to engage in a facilitated process whereby both can mutually develop the key terms and definitions and then respectively share them in an open and constructive dialogue to reach a mutually agreed upon approach to healing for future activities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ An Innu worldview/perspective should be incorporated into the strategy and clearly reflected in key healing definitions and related activities. These should inform and influence the design, delivery and implementation of the new phase of the strategy. 	<p>INAC will continue participating in open and constructive dialogue with the Innu and other federal and provincial partners through the existing tripartite mechanisms to contribute to building healthy, sustainable and resilient communities.</p> <p>Existing tripartite mechanisms will be used by HC to develop a shared understanding of key terms and definitions such as 'healing', 'capacity' and 'capacity building' in the context of moving forward.</p>	<p>April 2010</p> <p>March 2011</p>	<p>Status: Ongoing through Regional Operations Sector - Sustainable Communities Directorate</p> <p>Update/Rationale: As of 31/03/2011:</p> <p>The LICHS ended 31 Mar 2010 and INAC and HC processed separate TB Submissions, for different objectives, neither of which was a renewal of the "LICHS". In February the Innu suspended the Main Table with plans for an Innu Round Table, which has yet to be defined. On March 10th, the Innu wrote the federal Ministers of HC and INAC with a series of issues around the relationship and federal strategy. INAC continues to work with all parties, (federal, provincial, Innu) to bring understanding and support to the Innu communities on their healing and capacity development work.</p> <p>AES: Underway (In progress)</p>
<p>4. Implement a healing needs assessment in the two communities to better understand ongoing and unmet needs. This should include an evaluation</p>	<p>INAC will continue participating in the open and constructive dialogue with the Innu and other federal and provincial partners to support community-wide</p>	<p>April 2010</p>	<p>Status: Close</p> <p>Update/Rationale: As of 30/09/2010:</p>

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<p>matrix, and a Performance Measurement Strategy. The findings generated from the needs assessment and associated documents should be presented to the Main Table.</p>	<p>Innu goals to build resilient and sustainable communities by participating in the Main Table.</p> <p>Pending renewal of the strategy, HC, in partnership with the Mushuau and Sheshatshiu Innu and other stakeholders, will support a healing needs assessment that will inform the next phase of healing.</p>	<p>March 2011</p>	<p>This recommendation pertains to Health Canada. INAC will continue dialogue with the Labrador Innu on relevant issues (such as infrastructure, education, social programs, etc.) through the Tripartite Main Table.</p> <p>AES: Close – Fully Implemented</p>
<p>5. Based upon the evidence presented and input provided by the Innu, a determination should be made by all partners as to how existing programs and services might be appropriately adjusted, including exploring possible alternatives to existing funding authority arrangements, but remaining consistent with departmental commitments to support Labrador Innu healing. The findings and resulting determinations should be used to guide the new phase of the strategy.</p>	<p>INAC and other federal departments have a range of proposal-based programs that could support the Innu priorities. INAC will provide information and assist the Innu to submit proposals to access this potential programming.</p> <p>Health Canada will work with the Innu to determine how existing community health programs might be adjusted to better align with Innu healing priorities.</p>	<p>April 2010</p> <p>June 2011</p>	<p>Status: Ongoing through Regional Operations</p> <p>Update/Rationale: As of 30/09/2010:</p> <p>INAC staff are working with the Innu to support priorities and present proposal-based opportunities as are available to any other First Nation on-reserve. INAC will continue to work with the Innu to identify issues and challenges and actively seek cooperative solutions. This focus on proposal-based opportunities is new as the Innu are making progress and taking greater responsibility for their activities, which includes writing proposals to seek further opportunities (as are available to any other First Nation on-reserve). Previously, the Innu had specific funds allocated under the Labrador Innu</p>

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			<p>Comprehensive Strategy to address some of these areas. The Innu can now seek access to funds through the submission of proposals to regular INAC programs, as other communities do.</p> <p>Through the Tripartite Main Table, INAC is working with the Innu to further identify key stakeholders. Other federal departments include: Human Resources and Skills Development Canada – regular programs will continue to be provided (Aboriginal Skills and Employments Partnerships); Public Safety Canada – Crime Prevention programming (e.g. Project Venture Initiative), First Nation Policing Programs and Aboriginal Corrections Police Unit (provision of advice and support for the development of community healing strategies in Innu communities through sharing knowledge and supporting capacity building opportunities). This addresses the recommendation though INAC’s role at the Tripartite Main Table, which is to assist the Innu in further identifying broader partners and programs and services to address changing priorities and a more comprehensive approach to support and investments made in the community. The support provided at the Tripartite Main table will not replace existing funding available for basic programs and services.</p>

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			<p>resources, clear rules for Aboriginal self-government (law-making powers and jurisdictions) and how these will work in concert with those of other levels of government, as well as particular rights and benefits to support Aboriginal ways of life.</p> <p>Education was successfully devolved to the Innu and the creation of an Innu Education School Board created in 2009. INAC is working with the Innu communities and the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador to do an assessment of income support needs in the two communities. The Child, Youth and Family Services Committee of the Tripartite forum has commenced a services mapping exercise to identify all programming provided by Newfoundland and Labrador within the Child, Youth and Family Services envelope and to make a comparison to what is available through INAC programming and authorities. This is to identify gaps and explore whether and how gaps could be addressed in the event of program devolution, consistent with INAC authorities. INAC is working closely with the Innu and NL to devolve both the Income Support and CYFS programs.</p> <p>AES: Underway (In progress)</p>

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<p>7. The parties need to mutually develop an Agreement regarding how accountability and transparency will be maintained.</p>	<p>INAC will assist the Innu to access the proposal-driven programs which provide support for governance capacity building and could facilitate additional work in developing accountability and transparency practices required to meet the terms and conditions of program and service funding.</p> <p>Within existing authorities and resources, HC will work with the Innu and other stakeholders in developing accountability and transparency practices required to meet the terms and conditions of program and service funding.</p>	<p>TBD</p> <p>March 2011</p>	<p>Status: Close</p> <p>Update/Rationale: As of 30/09/2010:</p> <p>INAC's annual funding of \$15 million, under the Labrador Innu Comprehensive Healing Strategy, ended March 31 2010. Instead, annual funding of \$15 million is now in INAC's A-base.</p> <p>INAC now funds the Labrador Innu using the same funding methodology, monitoring and evaluating of basic programs and services for all First Nations on-reserve. While the programs being funded are not new, permanent funding replaces that provided under a time-limited strategy, thereby allowing for better planning and implementation of changes to address new priorities.</p> <p>Beyond regular programs and services, the Department also has a number of proposal-based programs available to all First Nations on-reserve. The Atlantic Region has begun working with the Labrador Innu through the</p>

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<p>9. Health Canada: Government and Innu engage in a process to agree together how best to realign resources currently allocated to the LHS in Goose Bay so that the funds flow directly to the communities and utilize Innu expertise to the extent possible. The overarching rationale is to better serve the communities according to their identified needs.</p>	<p>INAC will contribute to the Labrador Innu efforts in building healthy, sustainable and resilient communities by stabilizing funding for on-reserve programs and services equivalent to that provided to other First Nations.</p> <p>Health Canada will continue to contribute to Innu community-based healing goals by supporting a range of community health programs in Natuashish and Sheshatshiu.</p>	<p>June 2011</p>	<p>Status: Close</p> <p>Update/Rationale: As of 30/09/2010:</p> <p>INAC: This recommendation pertains to Health Canada.</p> <p>AES: Close – Fully Implemented</p>
<p>10. The parties need to develop a tripartite committee tasked with reviewing and providing feedback to the main partners on any existing and future evaluation and monitoring plans; including developing specific action items and timelines; and with the end objective to have solid evidence to monitor progress, with evaluation and monitoring data owned by the Innu, with continued support from partners.</p>	<p>INAC will provide resources to the Innu in Natuashish and Sheshatshiu for on-reserve programs and services, and the Innu will have access to proposal-based program funding available to all First Nations.</p> <p>Health Canada will continue to provide support to the Innu in Natuashish and Sheshatshiu for community-based healing programs, services and events.</p>	<p>September 2010</p> <p>June 2011</p>	<p>Status: Completed</p> <p>Update/Rationale: As of 31/03/2011:</p> <p>INAC: INAC's annual funding of \$15 million of the Labrador Innu Comprehensive Healing Strategy ended March 31, 2010. Instead, annual funding of \$15 million is now in INAC's A-base. INAC now funds the Labrador Innu using the same funding methodology, monitoring and evaluating of basic programs and services for all First Nations on-reserve. While the programs being funded are not</p>

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