

Student Support Program – Relationship Building & Advocacy





What kind of barriers have each of you experienced with your students?

How does this impact their ability or performance at school?





How do we currently support students?





Health & Dental Plan

MyLegalPlan

U-Pass

Emergency foodbank

Peer Support









Student Points of Contact

How to identify if a student requires more support (red flags)?

- Emergency Food Bank
- OSJA Student Complaints & Non-Academic/Academic Misconducts
- Academic Probation
- Volunteers
- Social Media
- Faculty & Support Staff Referrals of Student in Distress

Why should we not just send them straight to Mental Health Services?





Protective Factors Survey (PFS)

What is a Protective Factors Survey?

It is a 30-minute self reported, student centered evaluation that will be completed with an SANQC Staff Member. This survey can be completed online, by phone, or in person at the SANQC Office (1-114 SCFL). A student must sign the SANQC Confidentiality and Consent to Release Form prior to assessment.





Protective Factors Survey (PFS)

What is the purpose of the Protective Factors Survey?

The purpose of the Protective Factors
Survey is to provide holistic wrap around
supports for students to further enhance
their capacity to excel in academics and
in life. As part of NorQuest College's
directive, the PFS identifies a student's
innate protective factors such as mental
health, community resources, academics,
gender and sexual diversity, and trauma.





PFS Subsections

Economics:

Income

Job Maintenance & Searching

Housing Security

Food Security

Safety:

Family Violence

Sexual Violence

Dating/Consent

Safe Disclosure Site

Mental Health:

Academic Support

Addictions

Existing Diagnosis

Medications

Legal:

MyLegalPlan/Legal Aid Alberta

Social Connection:

Community

Campus





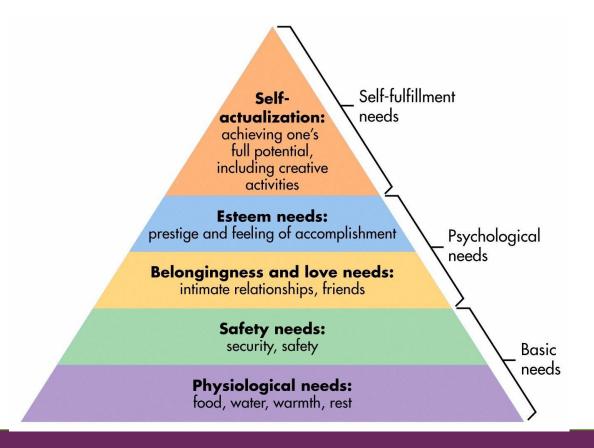


How do these align with and support the initiatives of your PSI?





Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs







Internal Resources – Qualified Referrals

- Interdisciplinary Being on the same page
 - We are all supporting the same students
- Students being bounced from department to department
 - No's or we can't help you
- Damage to students repeating their story in crisis
 - Trauma informed





Referral Pathways (Internal & External)

- Including the PFS results to internal referrals
- Building and accessing vetted external resources







Accountability & Organization

- Opening a student file
- Individualized Personal Plans (IPP)
- SMART Goals, writing style of notes & reports
- Case noting & incident reports







Following Up

- Checking in with student on the progression of their goals
- Closing the student file
- Exit Survey
 - Should reflect an improvement from the initial intake
- Testimonials







Importance of Data Collection

- Identifying trends
- Drive Advocacy Work
- Flexibility or adapting of Student Services being provided.
- Financial support/funding and allocation of resources







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What is not our role?

We do not help anyone; we support individuals to help themselves

We are not counsellors or mental health professionals.

We provide tools to identify the protective factor areas that require more building.

Identify – Refer – Follow Up – Support





Our Role

- Duty of care & due diligence
- Supporting students to navigate their post secondary experience by providing a safe and healthy campus
- To identify an emergency that requires immediate professional support or 911
- Connection from 'us' to the paraprofessionals and professionals (CPR, ASIST or MHFA)
- Student Centered Ideology





Driving Advocacy through Relationships and the Student Voice.

- PFS Administration
- Student file
 Management from
 Contact to Exit
- Internal Referrals with identified roles and goals

- Integrity
- Reliable Sources of information
- Direct Student Voice
- Follow Through
- Direct Evidence through student experience -Trends





Creating Value for your SA/SU

- Consistency through process
- Accurate information and documentation
- PSI has inaccurate data because only few complaints make it through.

- Trust
- Professionalism
- Students' Voice not what the SA/SU thinks
- Creating opportunity for different prospective
- Identify Gaps
- Make Recommendations





Thank you for joining our session about the Student Support Program's – Protective Factors Survey for Post Secondary Learners