

# THE VALUE OF SCS @ PHR

A team from the University of Saskatchewan partnered with Prairie Harm Reduction to evaluate the Supervised Consumption Site to learn how valuable it is for people who go there and to the larger community.

## WHEN

Study Timeline: May 2023- April 2024



## THE DATA

10 People who Access Services (PWAS)

10 External Community Orgs

6 Staff Members

Drug checking results

Intake data

## WHAT THE SCS DID

From May 2023-April 2024 the SCS:

- had **8,232 visits** from 886 different people
- responded to **44 overdoses** in the site, with 0 deaths
- made **1383 referrals** to other services
- did **728 drug checks**



## WHATS WORKING

The SCS:

- helps people get closer to their substance use goals
- supports safer substance use
  - helps PWAS get into healthcare and social services
  - improves health and wellbeing of PWAS



## CHALLENGES

- There are perceived mixed views on public safety around the SCS
- Lots of people want to access the SCS, but it isn't always open, or there can be a wait
- Stigma still exists for the SCS



**For every \$1 invested in the SCS, \$4.44 in social and economic value is created.**