

Action Plan 2018–2023 in support of section 41 of the Official Languages Act

Objective: Strengthen access to health services in the Official Language Minority Communities (OLMCs) and ensure the commitment of Health Canada branches in achieving the objectives of the 2018-2023 Health Action Plan (Part VII of the Official Languages Act)

Pillar 1: Strengthening the vitality of OLMCs

Enhance the vitality of OLMCs through intra- and interdepartmental collaboration to ensure the integration of the diversity of health needs in OLMCs

Conduct consultations to have a better understanding of OLMCs needs

Disseminate information to partners to better support the definition and planning of Health Portfolio activities

Pillar 2: Strengthening access to health services in OLMCs

Support the expansion of access to home care, mental health, palliative care in OLMCs

Improve access to health data in OLMCs as part of a five-year research strategy

Develop projects promoting Active Offer

Pillar 3: Promoting a bilingual Canada

Strengthen departmental capacity by supporting Health Canada employees regarding Part VII through the following actions:

- Information sessions and training
- Access to tools facilitating the inclusion of OLMCs considerations in Memoranda to Cabinet, Treasury Board Submissions and Transfer Payment Programs

Strategic outcomes:

- 1) Canadians live and thrive in both official languages
- 2) Canadians from OLMCs have access to appropriate and efficient health services in their official language