

Acceptance and Commitment to Empowerment (ACE) Intervention:
Reducing HIV Stigma & Promoting Community Resilience through Capacity Building
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**Join the ACE
Intervention Training
Program**

Raise Awareness & Reducing HIV Stigma!

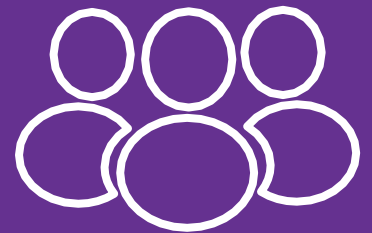
Help build community capacity!

Learn new skills!

Who can participate?

You can if you self-identify as:

- An immigrant or a member of a with racialized diaspora community experiencing or affected by HIV related stigmas
- Living in one of the six project cities (Calgary, Edmonton, Greater Toronto Area(GTA) , London, Niagara, Ottawa)
- 18 years of age or older
- Fluent in English
- Available to complete the ACE training
- Interested in joining others to reduce HIV related Stigma



What is involved?



Taking part in this study is entirely voluntary and private. You may withdraw at any time.

If you choose to take part in this study, you will be asked to:

- Attend the six weekly corresponding online Zoom group training (approximately 1.5 to 2.0 hours each)
- Complete six weekly online self-directed learning modules (approximately 1-hour each)
- Complete the surveys before, immediately after, and 3-month after the ACE Training (15-30 mins each)
- Attend a focus group 3 months after the ACE training if you are randomly selected as a participant. All focus group discussions online via zoom will be audio-recorded which makes it impossible for you to participate if you do not want to be audio-recorded. There will be between 6 to 8 participants in a group.
- You will receive a small honorarium each time you engage in filling out the following: \$30 for a survey; \$20 for each online module, \$10 for an activity log, and \$40 if you have been selected and attended a focus group session.
- The research team will keep the information you share private. Since a focus group involves many participants, confidentiality cannot be guaranteed. We will ask all participants to honour and respect each other's privacy.

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