

**MEETING SD 134-19-22** 

#### STANDING COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29, 2022 COMMITTEE ROOM 'A' AND VIDEOCONFERENCE 7:00 P.M.

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. Prayer
- 2. Review and Adoption of Agenda
- 3. Declarations of Conflict of Interest
- 4. Public Matters
  - a) Public Hearing on Homelessness Prevention
- 5. In Camera Matters
  - a) Wrap-up discussion
- 6. New Business
  - a)
  - b)
  - c)
- 7. Date and Time of Next Meeting: Thursday, June 30, 2022 at 7:00 P.M.
- 8. Adjournment

Housing and Homelessness Prevention

Presentation to the Standing Committee on Social Development

by Sabrina Flack & Dehga Scott ———



#### Who We Are



Sabrina Flack

Co-Founder & Project Director

- Certified full-sectrum doula
- Advocate for pregnant, birthing, and post-partum people
- I am a mixed-race Black Woman
- Passionate about just and equitable care for BIPOC and 2SLGBTQ+ folks



**Dehga Scott** 

Co-Founder & Research and Development Director

- I am Tlicho Dene
- Mother
- Indigenous Governance Degree Student at Yukon U
- Passionate about revitalizing Indigenous birth practices in the north

## About the Northern Birthwork Collective

Programming for all stages of pregnancy

Education to grow a network of birthworkers



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Health inequity refers to health inequalities that are unfair or unjust and modifiable.

**Public Health Agency of Canada** 



## Housing and Poverty as Social Determinates of Health

Poverty
disproportionately
impacts women who
are racialized,
Indigenous, living with
a disability, or leading
a single-parent
household.

Physical environments are a social determinant of health. This includes access to safe, affordable housing.



43%

of dwellings in the in the territory had at least one issue of affordability, suitability.

# Impact of Inaccessible Affordable Housing in the NWT

- 1 Health impacts (i.e., mould)
- Apprehension of children by child and family services, perpetuating intergenerational trauma
- Poor retention of talent across sectors

### Recommendations

1

Take a holistic approach and apply an intersectional lens to housing policy.

2

Collaborate across ministries, governments, communities, and sectors, to aid in a holistic approach

# Thank you!



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