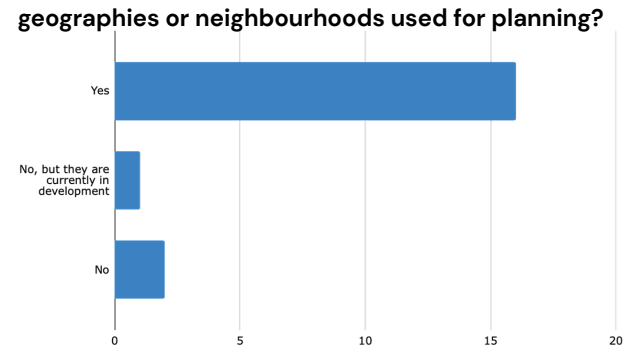
OHT NEIGHBOURHOOD MAPPING SURVEY

Responses: *N*= 19 of 58 Ontario Health Teams (OHTs)

Does your OHT currently have defined sub-geographies or neighbourhoods used for planning?

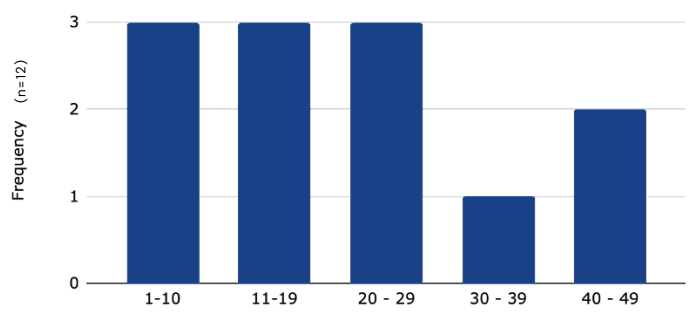


How is neighbourhood data currently being used?

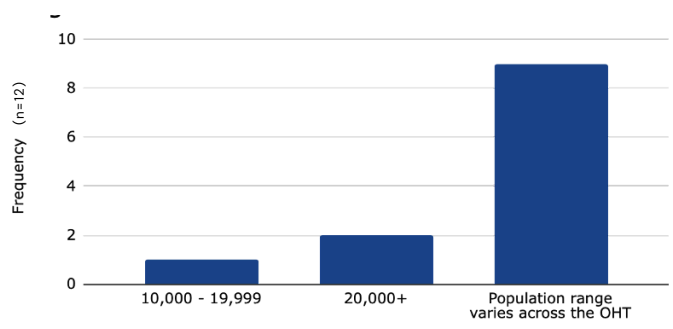
- Using **primary care attachment & marginalization indices** to create a composite needs scores
- **To identify priority neighbourhoods** using metrics such as:
  - primary care attachment
  - patient flow
  - chronic conditions
  - cancer screening
- **To inform planning across sectors**
  - Primary Care & clinic placement
  - Public health
  - Community mental health services & substance use services
  - Social services

OHTs WITH DEFINED SUB-GEOGRAPHIES (n=15)

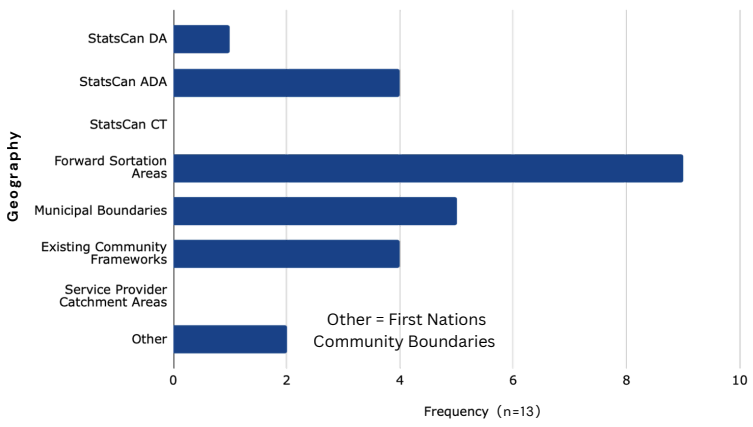
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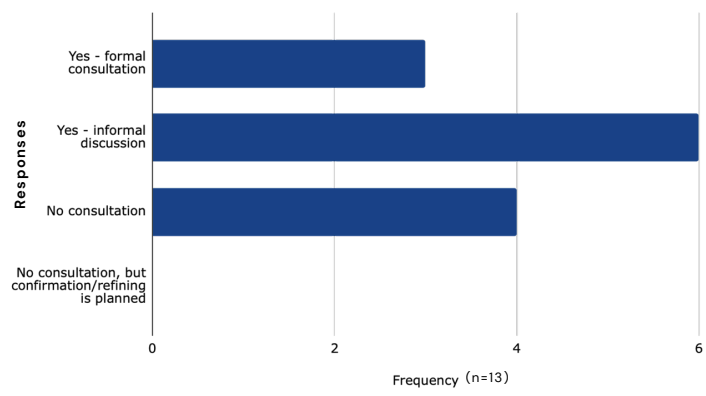
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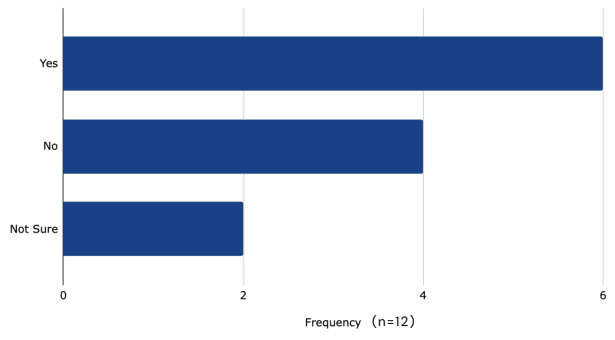
GEOGRAPHIC UNITS USED TO DEFINE NEIGHBOURHOODS



COMMUNITY MEMBER/PARTNER CONSULTATION IN NEIGHBOURHOOD DESIGN



DO ANY OF YOUR NEIGHBOURHOODS SPAN ACROSS MULTIPLE OHTS?



TYPES OF NEIGHBOURHOOD DATA BEING USED

responses: n=12

- Provider Location Data (n=11)
- Sociogemographic data (n=10)
- Population Health Indicators (n=8)
- Health Service Utilization Data (n=7)
- Workforce Data (n=7)
- Other (PCAT & waitlist data) (n=1)

CHALLENGES WITH SUB-GEOGRAPHY DEVELOPMENT

AMONG OHTS WITH DEFINED SUB-GEOGRAPHIES

DEVELOPING NEIGHBOURHOODS

- Region overlapping between an area with a framework and one without
- Determining a sustainable number of neighbourhoods
- Creating neighbourhoods in scarcely populated areas

NEIGHBOURHOOD BOUNDARIES

- Neighbourhood overlap with adjacent OHTs
- Boundaries being used may change depending on the project
- Affluent and marginalized neighbourhood overlap
- Single neighbourhoods being both urban and rural

NEIGHBOURHOOD DATA

- Lack of understanding on how to fully utilize all StatsCan data available at the neighbourhood level
- Lack of data at the neighbourhood level
- Difficulties collecting more granular data

INTEREST IN RECEIVING SUPPORT WITH NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT

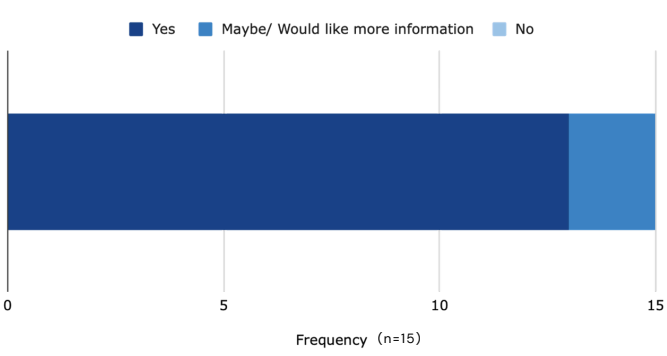
AMONG OHTs WITH NO DEFINED SUB-GEOGRAPHIES (n=2) OR DEFINITIONS IN PROGRESS (n=1)

All 3 OHTs selected "YES" when asked about their interest in receiving support with neighbourhood development.

They each noted a particular interest in:

- **A transferrable place-based framework for defining sub-geographies, including:**
  - **Approaches**
  - **Tools**
  - **Considerations**
  - **Best Practices**
  - **Tips - engaging community stakeholders & gaining local knowledge**
- **Funding to implement existing resources / hire an organizational partner for guidance**

WOULD YOUR OHT BE INTERESTED IN JOINING A COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE FOCUSED ON NEIGHBOURHOOD MAPPING?



ADDITIONAL FEEDBACK/RECOMMENDATIONS

Aligned Efforts, Guidelines & Increased Transparency

Common changes/next steps OHTs wish to see:

- Increased awareness of ongoing work/what other OHTs are doing in this area to minimize variance
- Increased knowledge about the scope of an OHTs role in this process & tools to do that work
- More updated data at the neighbourhood level
- Increased understanding of how many neighbourhoods can be sustainably supported
- Increased learning on how to use Intellihealth & StatCan data in this work