

Moving Toward Climate Resilience: collaboration in assessing & addressing climate impacts on health services

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OF USEABLE
FACILITY SPACE 36 DISTINCT 4,760 FULL-TIME STAFF







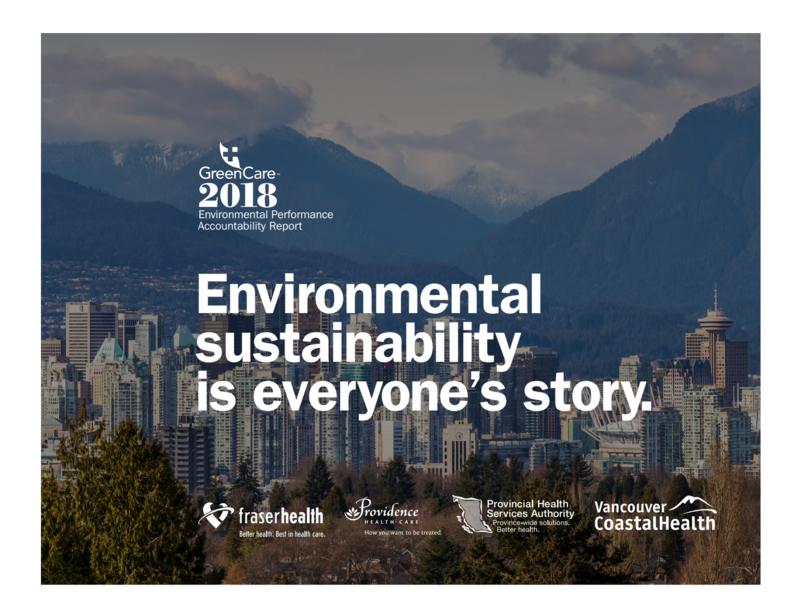
Above: St. Paul's Hospital (Vancouver) concept design





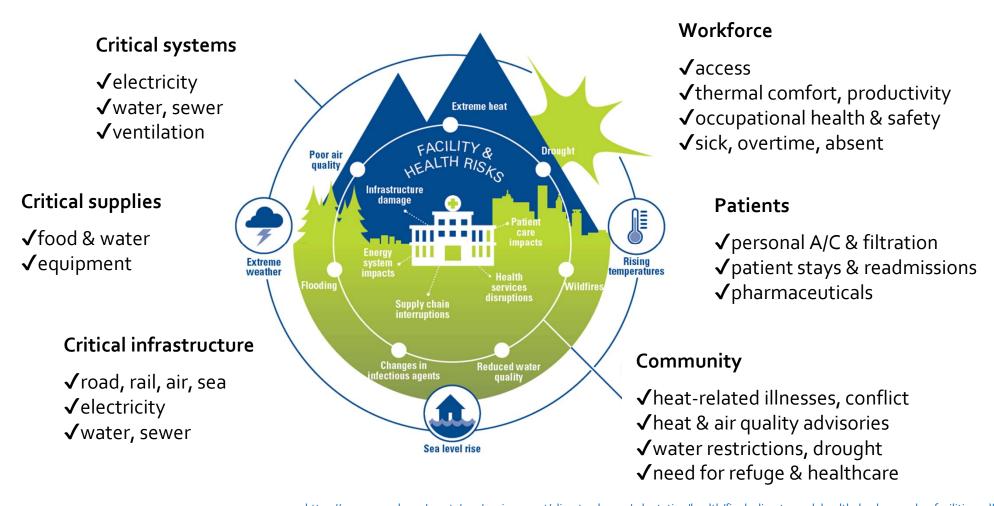






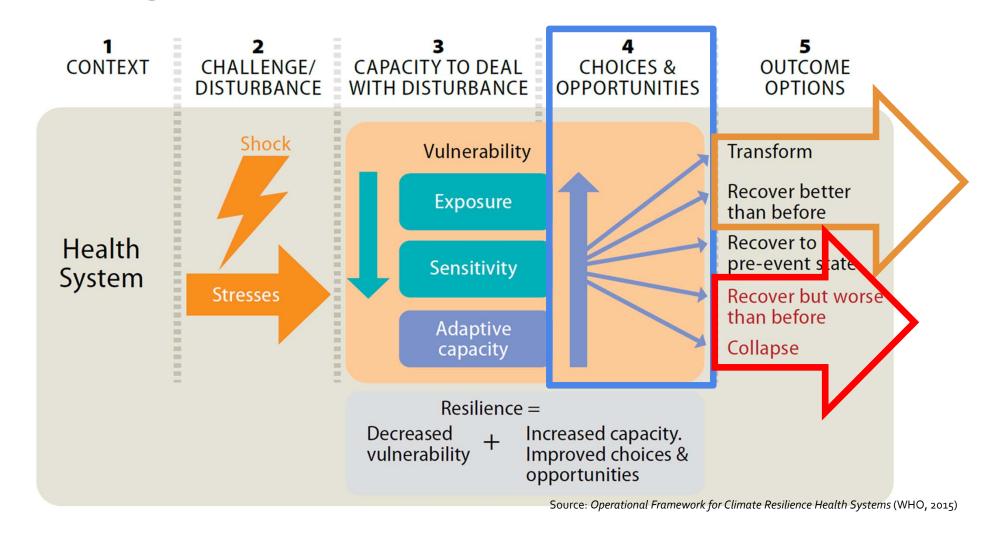
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Cascading Impacts



 $\underline{https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/environment/climate-change/adaptation/health/final_climate_and_health_backgrounder_facilities.pdf}$

Cascading Benefits

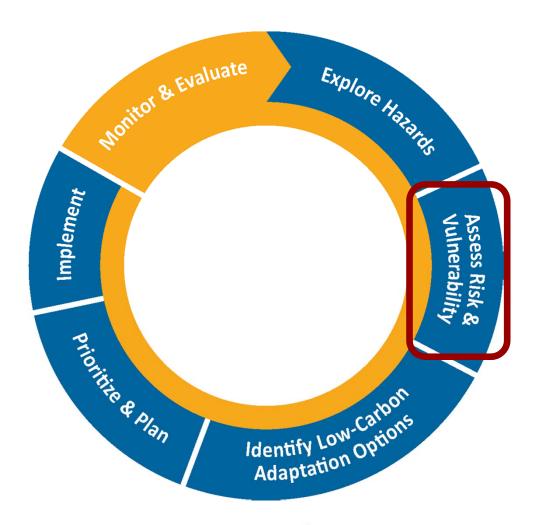


Principles

- Consider **multiple levels** or scales concurrently
- Anticipate interruptions and change
- Allow for **iteration** and continuous improvement
- Emphasize "**no-regret**" options
- Prioritize simple, flexible & durable design
- Cultivate **synergies** between options, pathways & strategies

Process

- Understand key issues at porfolio & hospital levels
- Enable progress at the organization level
- Build a foundation at health system level

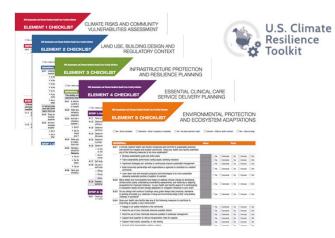


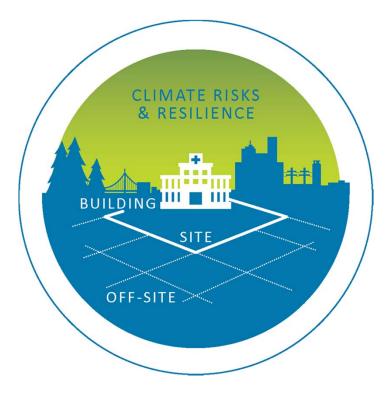


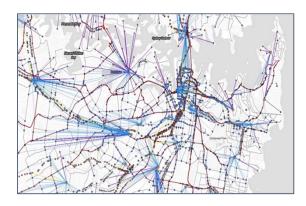
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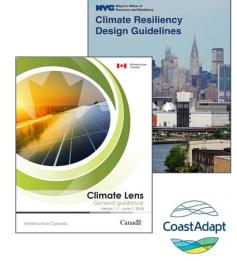














Buildings

Partners & Collaborators

- Indicative design team
 - o clinicians
 - o consultants

Key Features

- Worksheets
- Resource list (starter)

Results / Learnings

- Compendium of climate resources for in/external use
- A good starting point, with ripple effect on later phases



New St Paul's Assessment and Planning for Resilience (LEED Pilot Credit IPpc98)

REFERENCE DOCUMENTS SUMMARY

Health Campus (Site) 1/3

Partners & Collaborators

- FMO, clinicians & administration
- Health Emergency Management BC

Key Features

- Prompts engagement across departments & disciplines
- Amenable to developing input for existing asset risk register
- Structured, easy-to-customize



Results / Learnings

- Common challenges across sites
- Concurrent work at portfolio & organizational levels is essential

Health Campus (Site) 2/3



Partners & Collaborators

- Public sector organizations BC Housing (lead), UBC & local government
- Design teams

Key Features

- Subject matter experts
- Upscale to industry

Results / Learnings

- Peer-to-peer interactions surface resilience objectives, design strategies
- Synergy in developing new tools e.g. evaluation criteria

Health Campus (Site) 3/3

Partners & Collaborators

- Consultant (Pinna Sustainability) for process design
- Energy & Environmental Sustainability team for cross-pollination
- Indicative design team (including clinical, emergency mgmt, finance)
- Local government (rezoning)

Key Features

- vulnerability & risk assessment (scoring exercise)
- risk matrix: service delivery, supply chain

Results / Learnings

Process to drive specific action (champions) & next steps (evaluation of design)



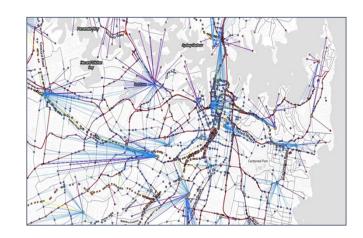
Community (Off-Site)

Partners & Collaborators

- Climate Action Secretariat
- Asset mgmt, real estate, emergency mgmt
- Local governments, power utilities & transportation

Key Features

- Critical infrastructure interdependencies at scale
- Climate shocks & stresses over time
- Nodes & networks to support community resilience
- Potential to integrate with existing tool





HealthADAPT

Partners & Collaborators

- Population & Public Health Vancouver Coastal, Fraser Health
- Health Emergency Management
- Local government & other local stakeholders

Key Features

- Proposal development process: informal needs assessment
- Leverage, amplify & accelerate existing / planned work
- Part of network of grantees (10), and broader knowledge-building network specific to building climate resilient health systems



Resilience Guidelines for Health Facilities (2020)

Advisory Committee

Task Force

HDR (architecture)
IBI (architecture)
Integral Group (passive design)
RDH (passive design)
AME (engineering)
WSP (engineering)
Stantec (engineering)
Bush Bolman (engineering)
Associated Engineering
Reaload Sustainable Design (energy)
BC Housing / MBAR

Project Team

Facilities Management

ED, Projects & Standards
ED, Business Performance
& Corporate Support
Director, Energy & Sustainability
Lead, Climate Resilience

Integral Group

Principle, Health Principle, Engagement Health Canada, Climate Change & Innovation Canadian Coalition for Green HealthCare National Research Council Canadian Standards Association

> University Health Network (ONT) Synergie Santé Environnement (QUE)

Ministry of Health, Capital Services Branch Building Safety & Standards Branch Climate Action Secretariat Pacific Climate Impacts Consortium

Metro Vancouver, Climate Change Policy
UBC Campus & Community, Infrastructure
SFU Adaptation to Climate Change Team
City of Vancouver, Resilience & Green Infrastructure
City of Surrey, Sustainability

Working Group











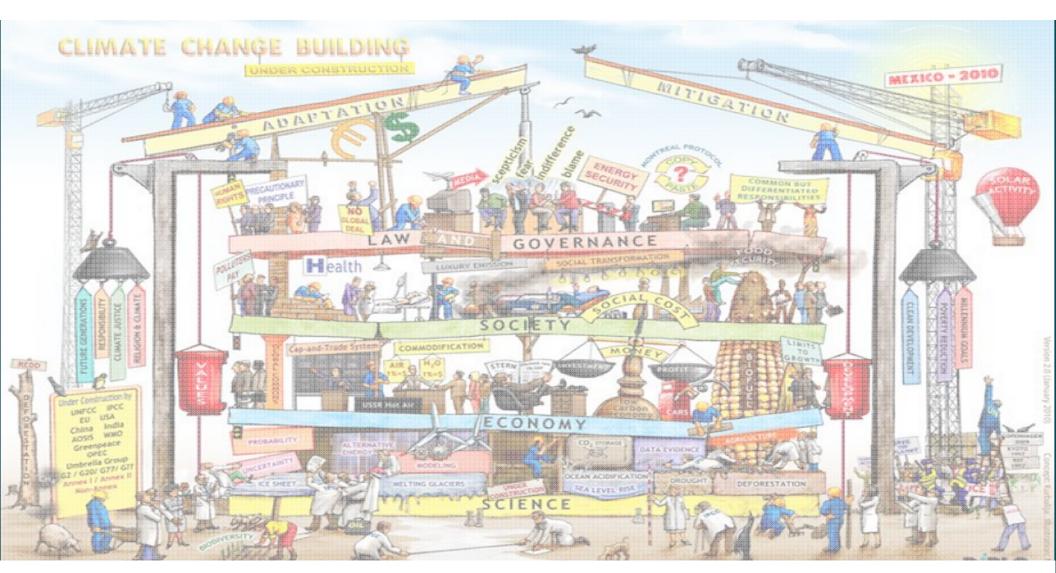
Climate Resilient Health Systems





Challenges

- Effectively convey to **leadership & workforce** risks, impacts & resilience (i.e. compel action, a climate lens on key priorities)
- Better highlight critical role in health service delivery & community resilience (i.e. mission critical)
- Deepen internal collaboration: intentionally & deeply integrate with GHG emissions reduction efforts to achieve low carbon resilience
- Improve timing: business cases & business plans
- Actualize **Proportionality Principle**: expenditures versus project size



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