

A free mental health resource . . . right in the workplace!

Canadian Mental Health Association, Ontario

BACKGROUND

Your Health Space is a vital program aimed at supporting the mental health and well-being of healthcare workers in Ontario, in response to the unique work-related challenges and needs of this workforce.

Since May 2022, the Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA) Ontario, with funding from the Ministry of Health, has been able to provide a healthcare-specific resource to organizations to address the mental health needs of those on the front lines.

PURPOSE

Your Health Space is focused on meeting organizations where they are in their journey toward workplace mental health.

By cultivating space for open conversations about workplace mental health, Your Health Space's workplace psychoeducation helps increase awareness, foster discussion, break down barriers, and decrease stigma.

METHODS & OUTCOMES

Through customized organizational training plans as well as open-enrollment training opportunities, the dedicated team of Your Health Space Trainers deliver informative, interactive workshops, webinars, and micro-learning to health care workers across the province.

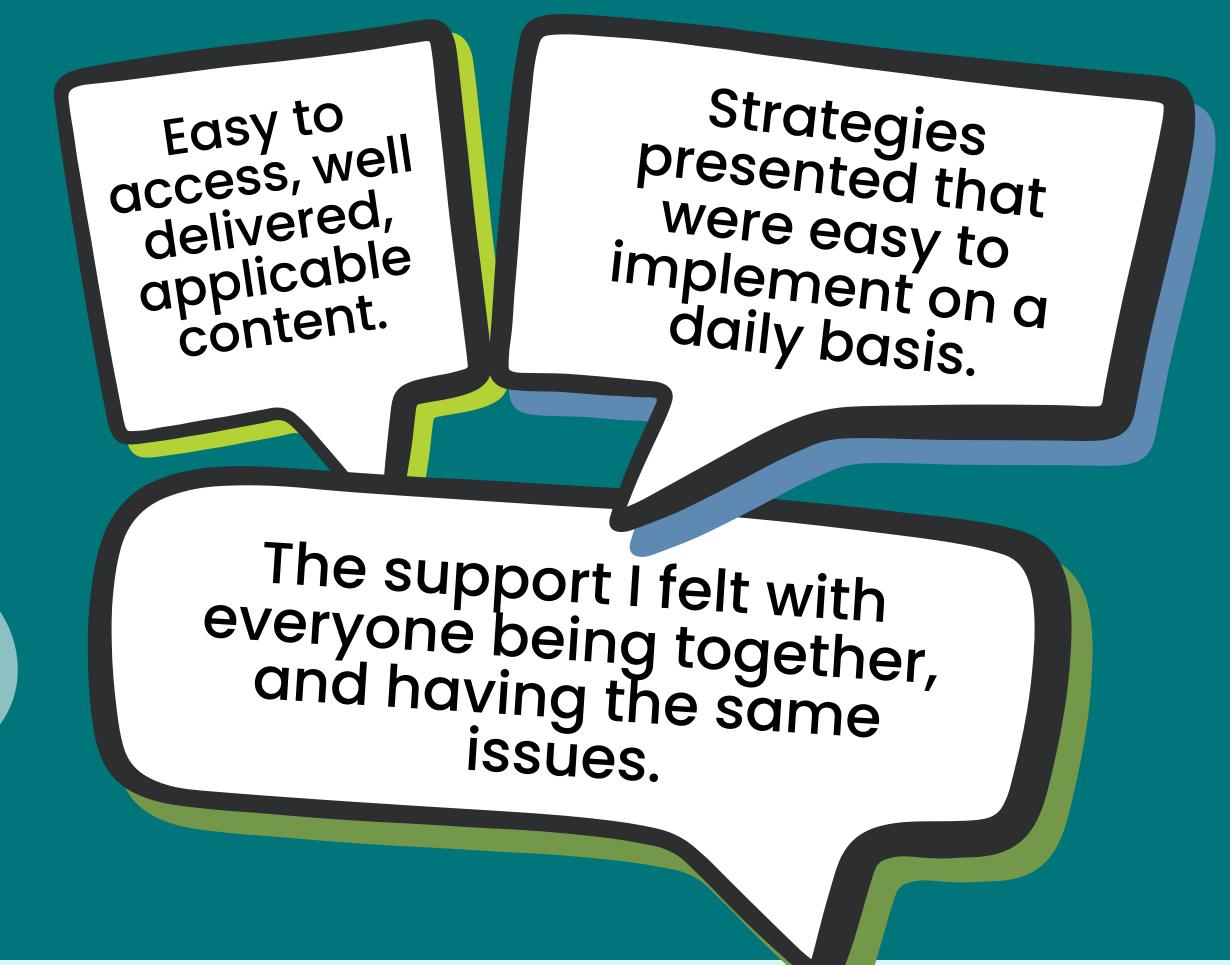
Since May 2022, Your Health Space has reported . . .

80 000 + participants

2000 + trainings

250 + unique organizations

When asked what they enjoyed most about the training, participants say things like . . .



From April 2023 to March 2024, on a Likert scale ranging from 1 to 5 (Strongly disagree to Strongly agree), program satisfaction scores for content and delivery averaged greater than 4/5.

During the development of Health Canada's 2024 *Nursing Retention Toolkit*, two RNs from *Your Health Space* were invited to provide insight on the importance of psychological health and safety in the retention of nurses in the healthcare workforce.

In the toolkit's **Strong Management and Communication** section, Your Health Space is a recommended resource for supporting nursing leaders and for nurse engagement and listening.

After participating in Wellness Moments, a form of micro-learning provided to nurses and other health care staff in team huddles, 72.7% of respondents reported a positive change in affect, and 99.2% felt the micro-learning was a good use of their time.



NEXT STEPS

Through relevant, evidence-based curriculum and a commitment to continuous improvement, *Your Health Space* is working to ensure that nurses across the province have access to a supportive space to discuss and address workplace mental health.

