

Hotì ts'eeda Project Spotlight



GOBA

Culturally safe health care navigation & support

Goba Care is an initiative that supports effective, efficient, culturally safe healthcare and medical travel experiences for northerners receiving care in Alberta.

NWT residents are frequently required to travel outside of their communities or even the territory to access medical care. This can lead to situations where individuals are separated from their family, community and cultural supports while at their most vulnerable.

THE PROJECT

Originally from Fort Good Hope, Melinda Laboucan launched Goba in October 2021. Goba offers a friendly face for northern clients accessing care during their medical travel by providing health care navigation, advocacy, and cultural resources.

Goba also provides training to southern medical professionals on culturally safe and relationship-based care.

IMPACTS & OUTCOMES

- Educating health care managers and providers
- Bridging cultural and language barriers
- Improving experiences with medical travel
- Addressing colonialism in health care

Hotì ts'eeda is proud to be the first partner of Goba, and continues to provide financial support for their essential work.



You can learn more about Goba at gobacare.ca

To the K'áhshó Go'ìne
Dene, **goba** means light on
the horizon

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