

## ICY Teams general information PowerPoint

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This PowerPoint is for ICY team partner organizations to use in introducing ICY teams to their organizations and networks. It is a public-facing document and contains information that is consistent with other communication items. A PDF containing speaking notes is available, or speaking notes can be found in the comments layer of this PDF. If you would like to receive the speaking notes, have questions or have suggested edits to the PowerPoint, please contact [MMHA.ProvincialSupportOffice@gov.bc.ca](mailto:MMHA.ProvincialSupportOffice@gov.bc.ca).

Updates include adding alt text for screen readers, condensing the number of slides, adding new slides (Pathway context and ICY team start-up roles), some new photos, new graphics for before/after ICY teams and updating the team member descriptions.

# Integrated Child & Youth Teams

Overview and Introduction



# Welcome and territorial acknowledgement

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Also called Tod Inlet, Saanich BC*



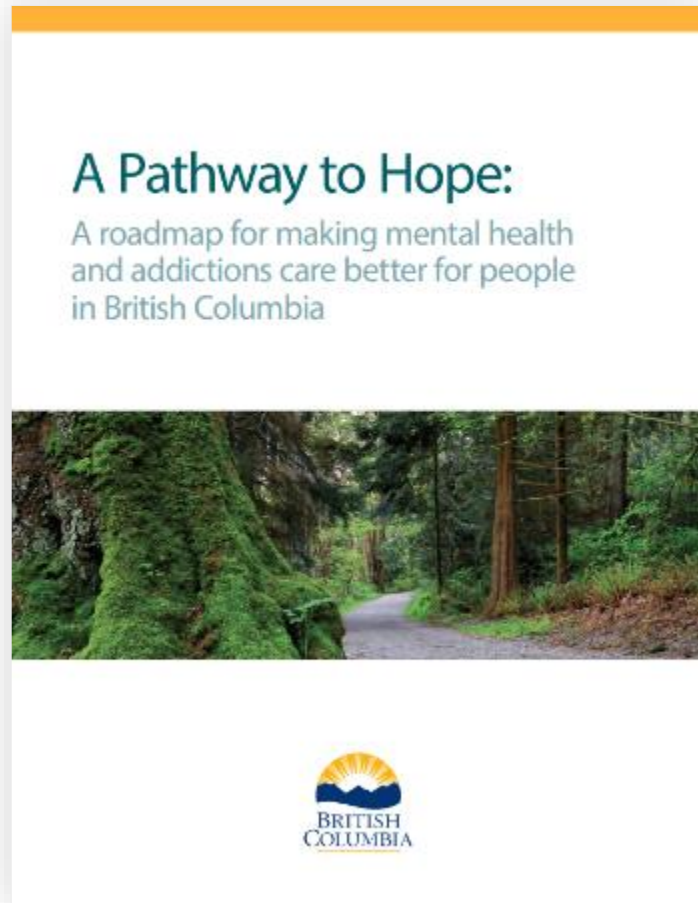
# What are ICY teams?

- Part of [A Pathway to Hope](#) strategy for mental health and substance use care
- Community-based teams delivering wraparound services and supports for children and youth, including those with different abilities, backgrounds and situations
- Easier for children and youth to connect to care – at school and in the community
- Team members work in a structured, integrated, multidisciplinary team, sharing information when needed and approved





# A Pathway to Hope Commitments (2019)



IMPROVED WELLNESS FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULTS	SUPPORTING INDIGENOUS-LED SOLUTIONS	SUBSTANCE USE: BETTER CARE, SAVING LIVES	IMPROVED ACCESS, BETTER QUALITY
Support for pregnant individuals and parents with substance use challenges	Implement the Tripartite MOU with the FNHC, FNHA and Government of Canada	Framework for improving substance use system of care	Expand access to affordable community counselling
Promote early childhood social emotional development	Develop 10-year strategy to achieve progress on the social determinants of health and wellness	Ensuring best evidence guides care in B.C.	Team-based primary care (with mental health and substance use professionals) and specialized services
Enhance programming in early childhood centres	Embed cultural safety and humility across the provincial system	Increase access to evidence-based addiction care	Enhanced provincial crisis lines network
Expand Confident Parents: Thriving Kids	Expand First Nations-run treatment centres	Integrated team-based service delivery to connect people to treatment and support ongoing recovery	Framework and standards to improve care under the Mental Health Act
Expand Foundry Centres	Expand Indigenous land-based cultural and healing services	Overdose emergency response, including community-based harm reduction services	Implement peer support co-ordinators
Mental health in schools	Enhanced capacity for Métis Nation BC for priority setting and planning	Supportive recovery services	Develop peer support worker training resources
<b>Establish Integrated Child and Youth Teams</b>	Support First Nations-led primary health care initiatives	Provincial Peer Network	Expand Bounce Back
Step up/down: Specialized care home beds and intensive day programs			Mental Health and Wellness Disaster Recovery Guide
Create virtual counselling for post-secondary students			Workplace mental health
			Create a web-based portal (focused on children and youth)

# What are the problems we are trying to solve in **A Pathway to Hope**?

1

**A patchwork of disconnected services is difficult to navigate** and requires families and young people to **re-tell their story over and over**.

2

**Not enough emphasis on promoting wellness, preventing problems from starting** or becoming larger, and **identifying early** when young people need help and connecting them to care.

3

**Demand for services exceeds capacity** resulting in long wait times, increasing use of and acute care, or **no care at all** (where services do not exist).

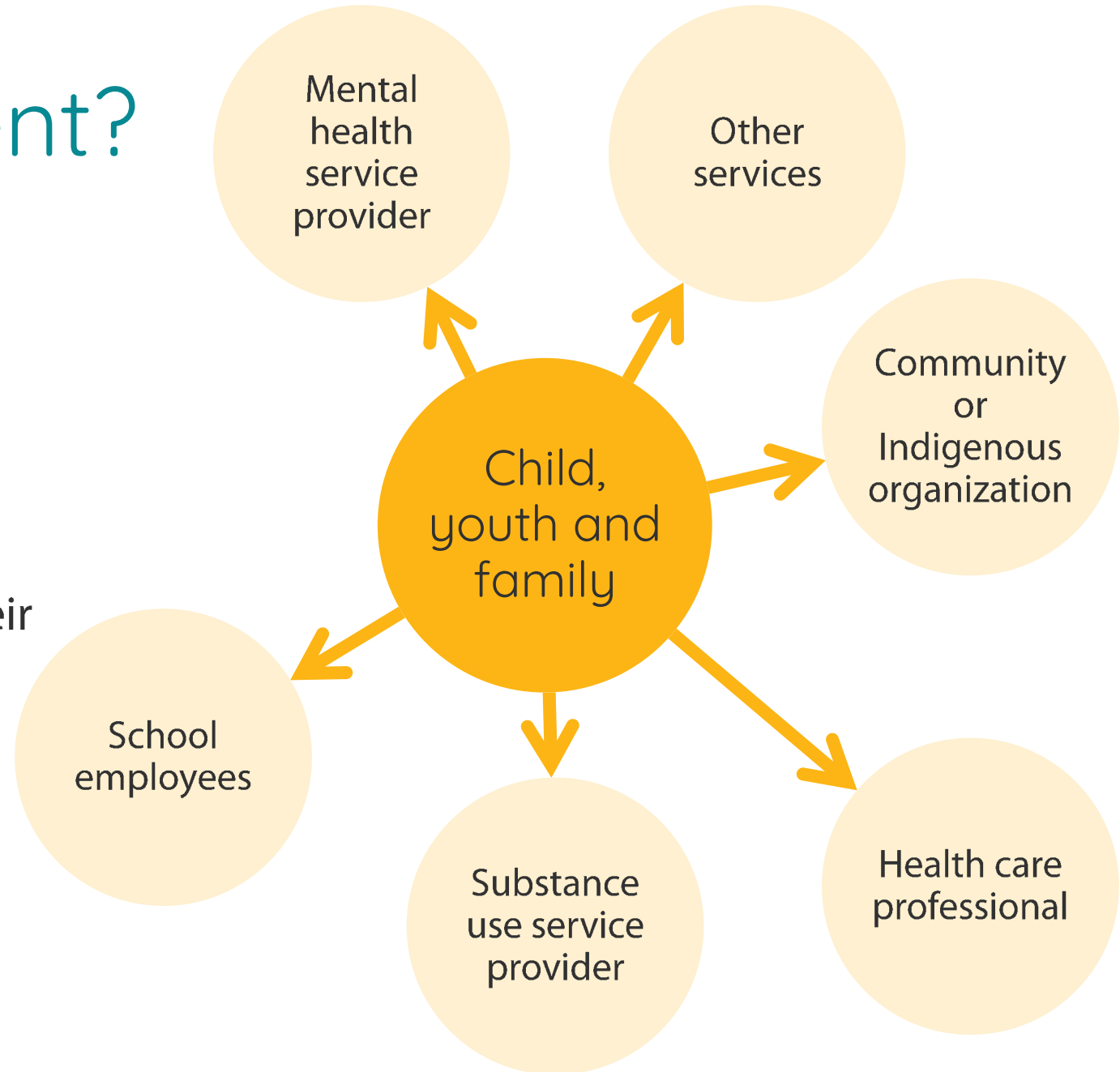
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**Stigma and affordability are barriers** to people accessing and receiving care.

# What's different?

## Before ICY Teams:

Children, youth and families navigate and reach out to a variety of services, retelling their story to many different groups and individuals

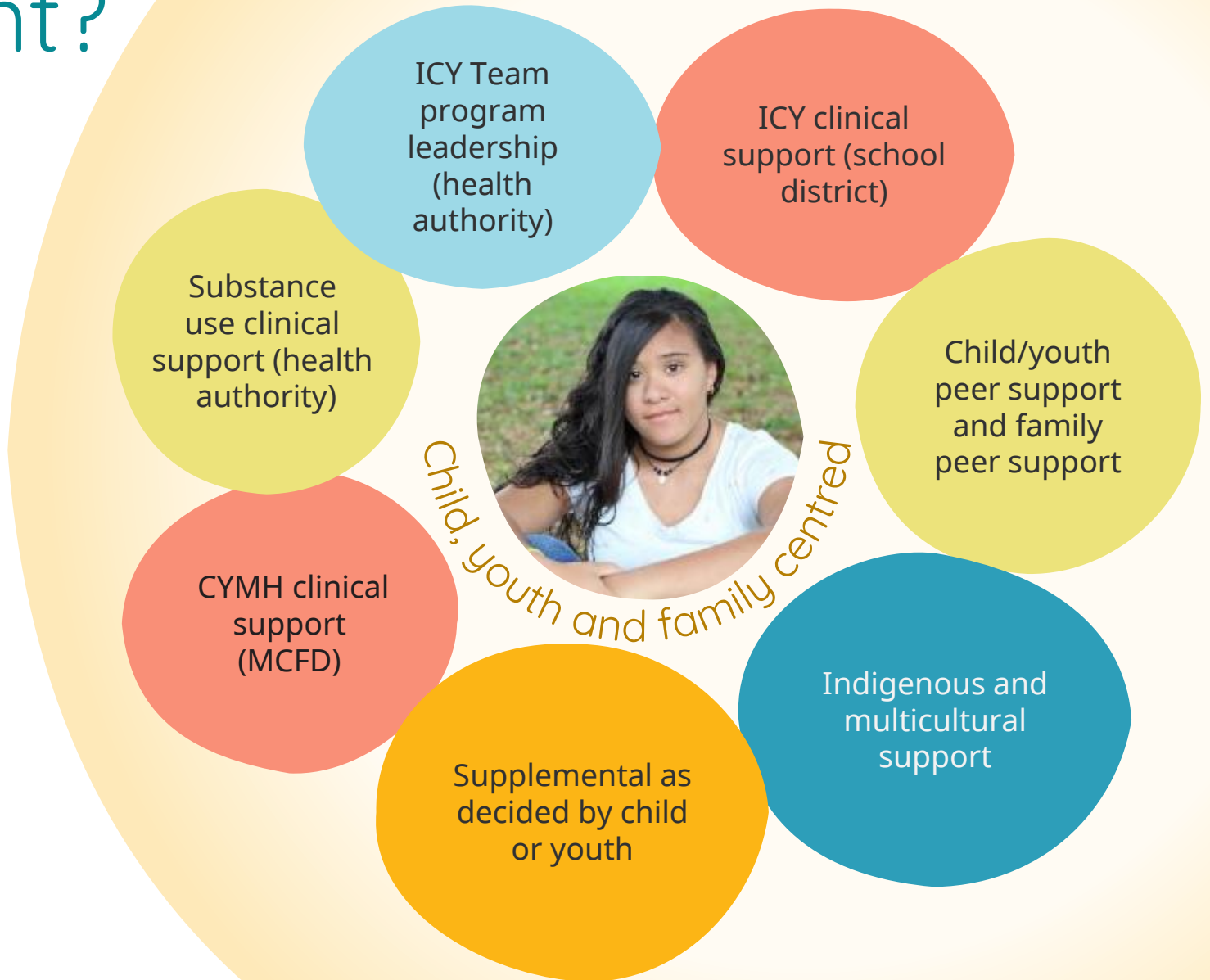


# What's different?

## With ICY Teams:

ICY team members help navigate, integrate and provide mental health and substance use services to wrap around children and youth

## ICY Team





# Staffing of ICY teams

- Where positions exist, they will join the ICY teams
- Where ICY core team positions do not exist, new positions will be funded
- Additional team members may be added (e.g., GPs, social workers, coaches, support people, Elders, other counsellors or professionals) to a child/youth's specific team



# Areas and districts

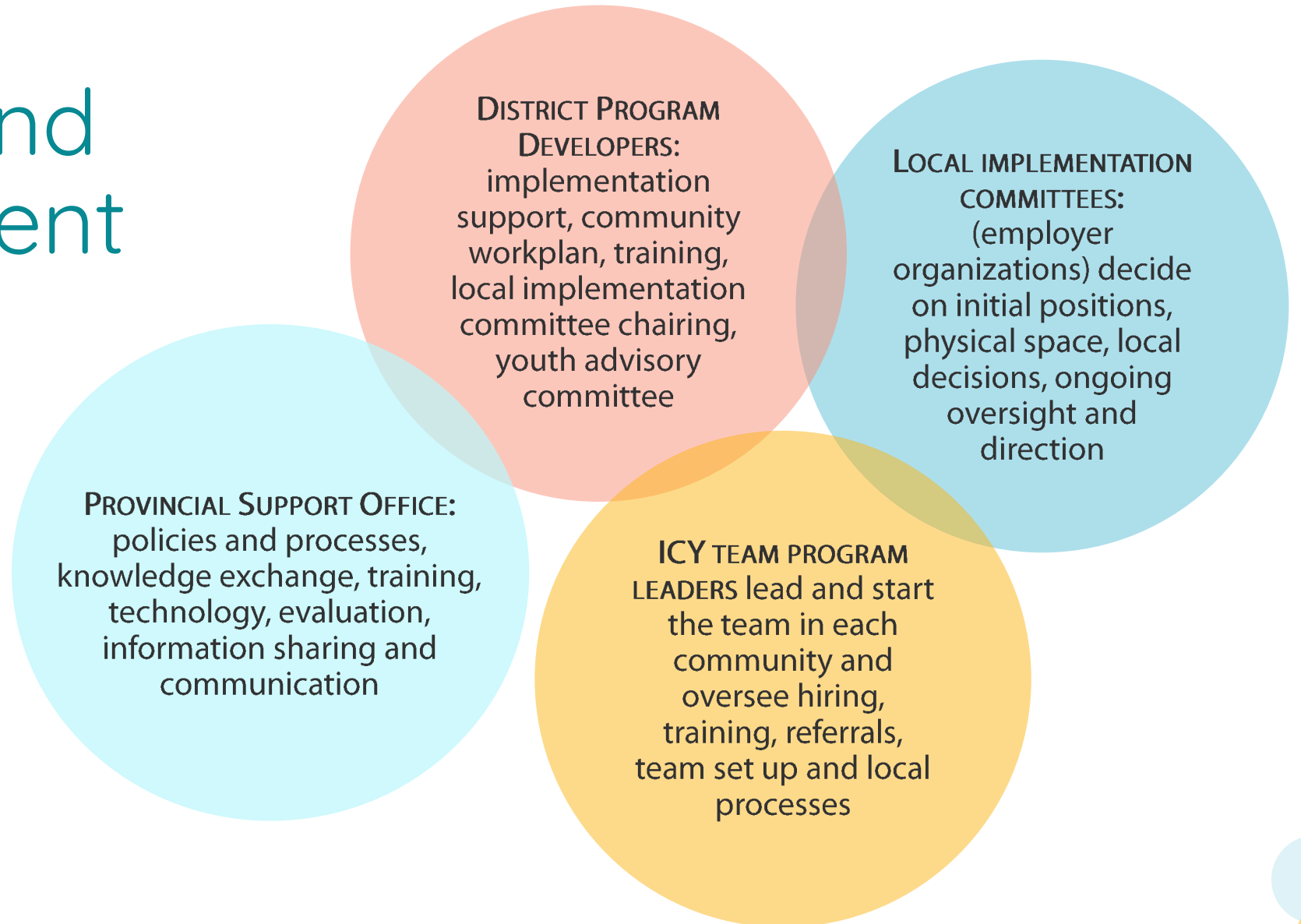
- Serving all children, youth and families within a school district boundary, including those attending First Nations-operated schools, independent schools, Francophone schools, alternative schools or those not in school
- Young people, if new to services, connect to ICY teams based on geographic location
- Serving children, youth and families from early years to age 19 (up to age 21 if the young person is already receiving ICY team services)

# Diversity focus

- Children, youth and families may feel safer, more welcome and more likely to ask for help in a community-based setting
- ICY teams work towards culturally safer, distinctions-based, and child-, youth-, family-community- and Nation-centred approaches, (continually engaging and communicating with Indigenous partners and Nations) – unique to each community
- Teams embrace strengths-based, gender-, diversity- and trauma-informed practices



# ICY team start-up and development





# ICY teams in school district areas

## 2021

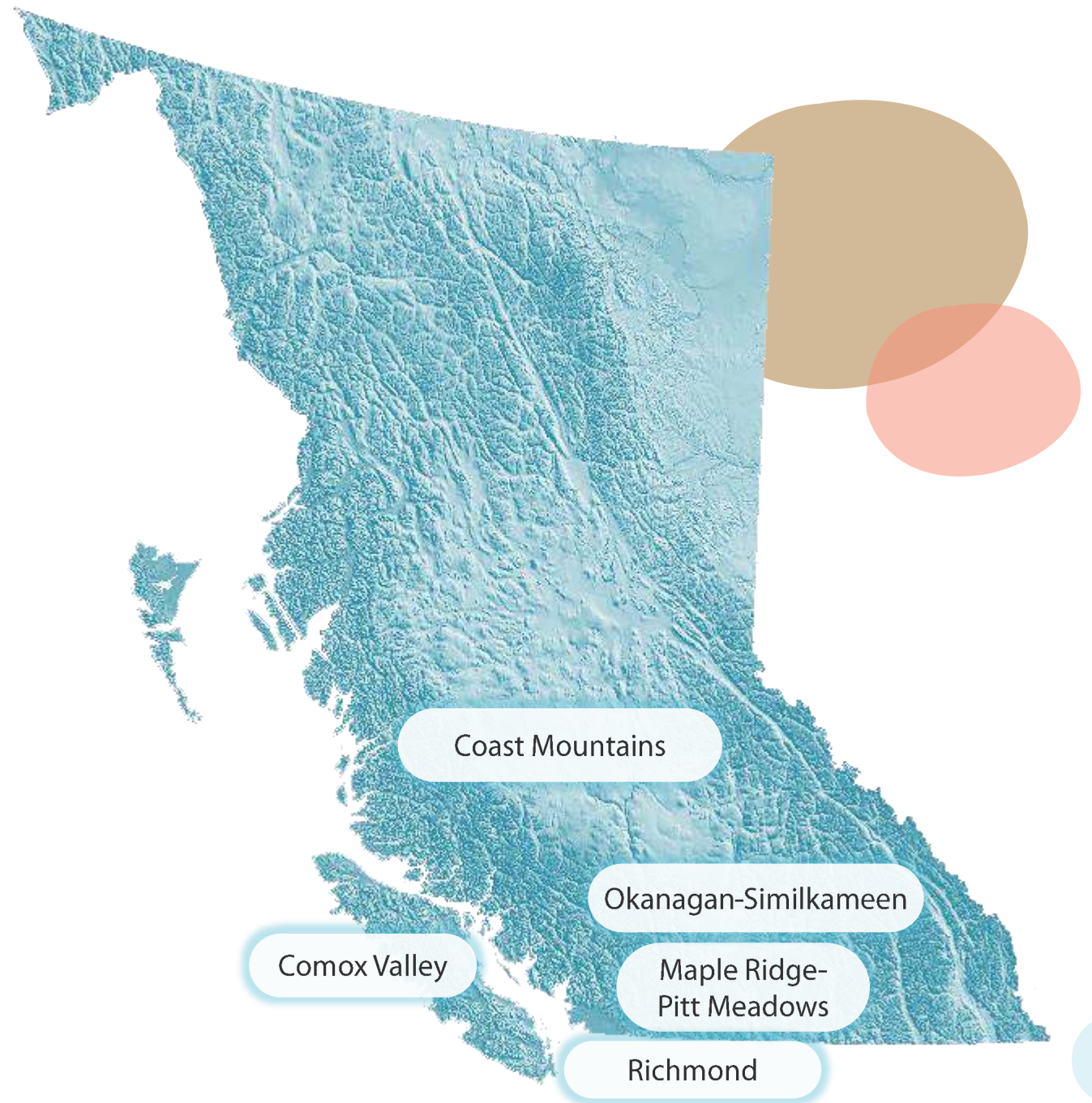
- Comox Valley
- Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows

## 2022

- Richmond
- Coast Mountains
- Okanagan-Similkameen

## 2024

- 15 more school districts, locations TBD





# Thank you!



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