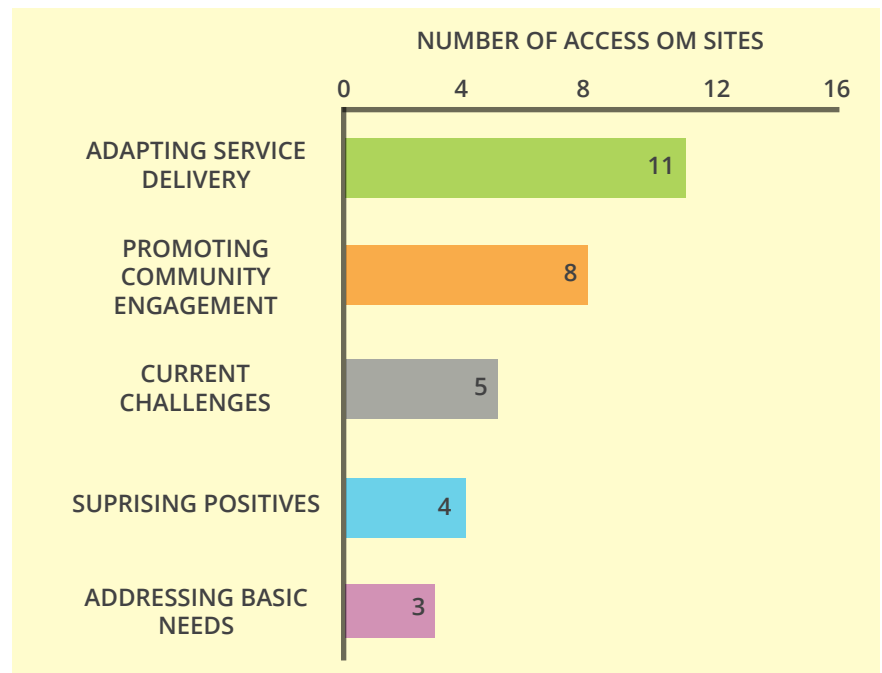


IMPACTS OF COVID-19 ON ACCESS OPEN MINDS SITES

Following meetings with ACCESS Open Minds (AOM) sites across Canada, the following themes of impacts and adaptations of services were identified.



WHAT OUR SITES ARE OBSERVING

Addressing Basic Needs

Groceries & Food baskets



Cleaning supplies



Gas for vehicles



Promoting Community Engagement

On-the-land programs



Youth activities



Family Support programs



Meetings & Trainings



Adapting Service Delivery



In-person services with physical distancing measures in place



Counselling sessions online or via phone



Phones and tablets for youth to stay connected



Increased engagement on social media

Current Challenges

Unable to provide services



Understaffed (health providers needed elsewhere)



Lack of resources



Surprising Positives

Less no shows for appointments



Fewer reported triggers from clients (due to no school)



Increased uptake in family & youth activities

