# Canadian Health Promoting Campuses Network STATEMENT OF ENDORSEMENT

for

# Okanagan Charter: An International Charter for Health Promoting Universities & Colleges

## A Transformative Vision

Health and well-being promoting post-secondary campuses transform the health and sustainability of our current and future societies, strengthen communities and contribute to the well-being of people, places and the planet.

### **Statement of Endorsement**

The Healthy Minds | Healthy Campuses community of practice (HM|HC) is proud to have supported the 2015 International Conference on Health Promoting Universities and Colleges in Kelowna BC and to have contributed to its formulation of the Okanagan Charter.

We appreciate that people who are well are more able to not only engage in deeper learning together, fulfill instructional responsibilities and complete academic programs, but also to be active members who respect and positively support each other in the campus community.

We recognize that promoting health and well-being is not just essential to achieving our full potential in teaching and learning, research and participation in the campus context, but also integral to carrying out the educational mandate of equipping campus members to be engaged citizens contributing to the wellness of other communities in which they will live.

By endorsing the <u>Okanagan Charter</u>, we commit to sharing in its Vision, supporting among our BC higher education institutions the implementation of its two Calls to Action, and applying its Guiding Principles as the means for translating the Charter into action.

We further agree to participate in National and International university networks to activate the Charter in order to learn from, inform and support each other's efforts.

### **Okanagan Charter Endorsement Signatories**

(signatories below acting on behalf of the Healthy Minds | Healthy Campuses community of practice, in accordance with its decision in plenary session at its Summit in Vancouver BC on March 8, 2019 to endorse the Okanagan Charter)

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