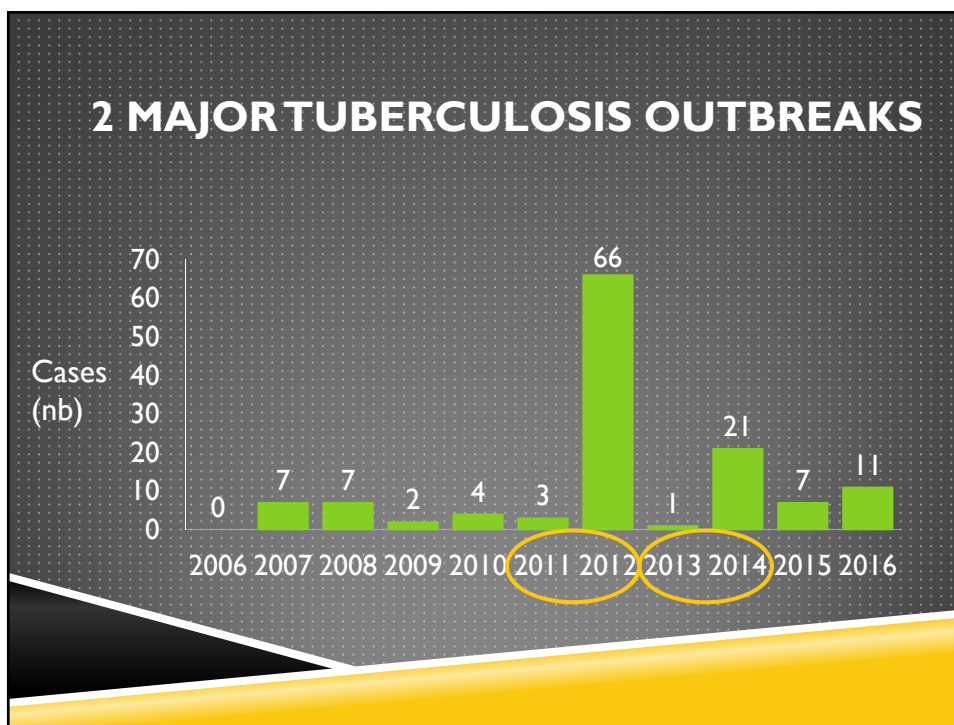
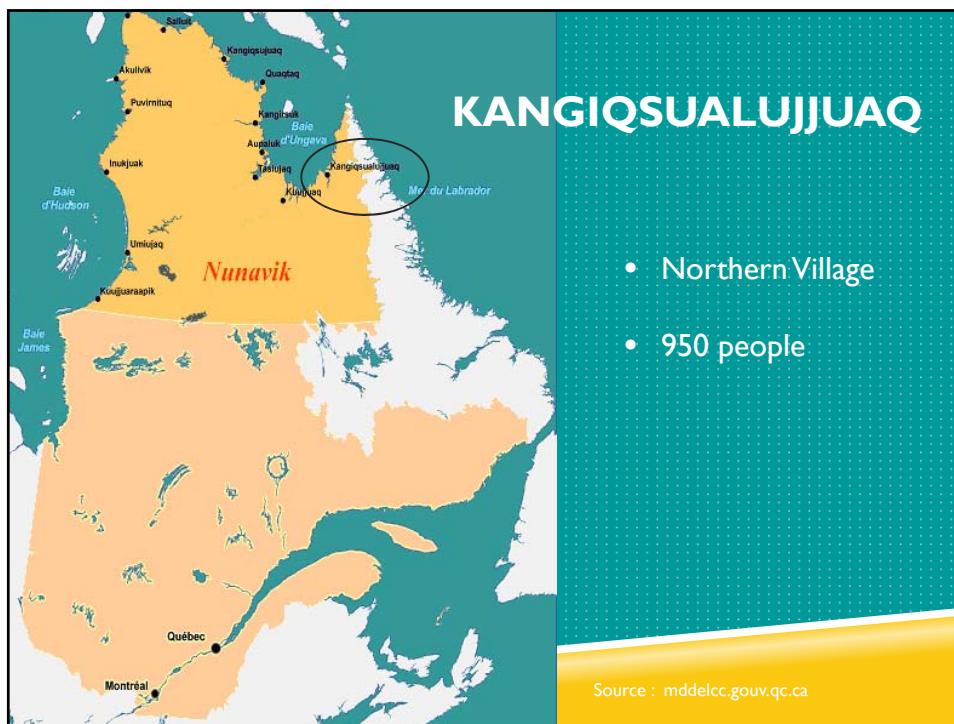


COMMUNITY MOBILIZATION PROJECT TO END TUBERCULOSIS IN KANGIQSUALUJUAQ

December 6, 2017

PRESENTATION

- ▶ The context
- ▶ The intervention
- ▶ Lessons learned
- ▶ Short video



MOBILIZATION PROJECT

► Funding

- Public Health Agency of Canada
- Ministère de la Santé et des Services sociaux du Québec
- Nunavik Regional Board of Health and Social Services

► 2 parts

- Screening (skin test, X-ray or clinical examination)
- Community mobilization



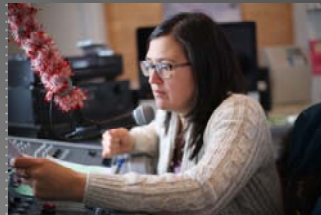
WHO WAS INVOLVED IN KANGIQSUALUJUAQ

- Public Health, NRBHSS
- Ungava Tulattavik Health Center
- Northern Village of Kangiqsualujuaq (Mayor; Municipal Council)
- Wellness committee
- Kangiqsualujuaq nurses
- Community Wellness Worker
- Community members
- Ulluriaq School



ACTIVITIES

- ▶ Teaching all grade levels about TB transmission and symptoms
- ▶ Community Radio Talks
- ▶ Community Screening
 - ▶ Daycare
 - ▶ School
 - ▶ Community
- ▶ Creation of an Educational Film
- ▶ Regular follow-up of patients



CHALLENGES

- ▶ Fear and misconceptions leading to stigmatization
- ▶ Some people avoided testing
- ▶ Some patients struggled to take medication as prescribed



SUCCESSSES

- ▶ The educating of the entire population about TB
- ▶ High level of compliance in the following treatment plan, and honest disclosure when medication was missed
- ▶ Shame reduction
- ▶ Screening of everyone



COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- ▶ Due to the partnership, we were able to persuade reluctant community members to take TB seriously and get involved.
- ▶ Presentation of updates on TB given at the Parnasimautik Meetings leading to input of solutions from the community members to tackle TB in the community.
- ▶ Encouragement to the population from the members of the community to have a community free of TB.



CONDITIONS FOR SUCCESS

- ▶ Constant presence of the TB nurse.
- ▶ Regular follow-ups for people who are in close contact with active TB cases.
- ▶ All invested partners kept the issue an ongoing discussion.
- ▶ Positive encouragement and acknowledgement for people affected by TB for their success of completing treatment.



IMPROVEMENT POTENTIAL

- ▶ Information could have been shared sooner to dispel the myths and fear. This delayed individuals seeking assistance.
- ▶ Increase support for people affected by TB.
- ▶ Increase prevention and awareness of TB during and after the event. Be Vigilant.
- ▶ Continuity of encouragement and acknowledgement to the community to prevent spreading of TB.

A note from the mayor

"Knowledge is a treasure but practice is the key to it."

