SITUATION TABLE WHAT IS IT?

A Situation Table is a proactive, multi-agency, team of people engaged in health, social services, and public safety. The purpose of the Table is to respond rapidly and effectively to vulnerable people in high-risk situations who need to be connected to services and supports, imminently.

High-risk situations include behaviour that, without immediate supports, would become more negative, traumatic or life threatening. These situations may include; victimatization, overdose, eviction, or offending behaviour.

Supports offered by the Table allows individuals and families to be connected quickly to social and safety services, usually within 24 - 48 hours. By responding to critical and urgent situations, the Table not only improves the life of an individual in crisis but also positively affects public safety.

The Table is made up of an interdisciplinary team of members from the fields of education, policing, health, child welfare, mental health and addictions, housing, bylaw, outreach, and other social services.

WANT TO REFER A CLIENT?

In order for a situation to be eligible for the Table it must meet the Acutely Elevated Risk (AER) threshold:



Significant interest at stake.



Probability that harm will occur if nothing is done.



Severe intensity of harm.

Multi-disciplinary nature of risk.

SITUATION TABLE PROCESS

Could my client's situation be managed more effectively through a multi-sector, collaborative approach? If yes, bring it to the Table!



- The originating agency shares their client's risk factors and determines whether or not the situation meets the threshold of AER.
- If AER is met, the originating agency shares the situation and the client's name. Other Table participant's look through their records for involvement with the client.
- Agencies discuss intervention, decide what strategies can be used to connect client with services.



Nanaimo's Situation Table meets bi-weekly, every second Tuesday from 2 pm - 3:30 pm.



If you believe a client of yours meets the AER threshold, please refer the situation to your organization's Table representative.