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CRIC Honours Environics Research and Pink Triangle Press for National 2SLGBTQIA+ Health Research

Toronto, ON — June 16, 2026 — Environics Research and Pink Triangle Press have been recognized with the Canadian Research Insights Council's Social Service Impact Award for their work on the [2025 Pink Paper on Health](#), a landmark national study examining the health and healthcare experiences of 2SLGBTQIA+ people in Canada.

The award recognizes excellence in insights and analytics projects that demonstrate meaningful public service or social impact. The Pink Paper on Health was designed to address a major evidence gap in Canada by creating a credible, national evidence base on 2SLGBTQIA+ health disparities, while also capturing important differences within the community itself.

The study included a national bilingual survey of more than 2,100 Canadians, including over 1,000 2SLGBTQIA+ respondents, as well as structured interviews with healthcare leaders, clinicians, researchers, medical students, and Indigenous stakeholders. The research explored health status, access to care, stigma and discrimination in healthcare settings, and community-identified health priorities.

Key findings from the award-winning research:

- Higher rates of diagnosed mental health conditions compared to non-2SLGBTQIA+ Canadians.
- Lower overall quality-of-life scores across a range of health and wellbeing measures.
- Significant gaps in access to mental health services and gender-affirming care.

"As a queer person, being part of a project that helps build a stronger evidence base around 2SLGBTQIA+ health in Canada has been incredibly rewarding. I'm grateful to the Pink Triangle Press team for their vision and partnership, and proud that our research can help support advocacy, public dialogue, and real-world change."

Vijay Wadhawan, SVP, Environics Research

The findings have already helped inform public conversation, advocacy, and editorial priorities for *Script*, Pink Triangle Press's platform for credible 2SLGBTQIA+ health information. The report also generated significant national media attention, helping bring the health experiences and needs of 2SLGBTQIA+ communities into broader public dialogue.

"Universal healthcare is central to what defines Canada. Environics' research insights for the Pink Paper on Health serve as both a wake-up call and opportunity."

David Walberg, CEO and Executive Director of Pink Triangle Press

"Environics demonstrated the rigor, professionalism, and thoughtfulness we were looking for in a research partner. They handled sensitive subject matter exceptionally well and delivered insights that exceeded our expectations and laid the groundwork for PTP's Pink Paper on Health."

Zoltan Nemeth, Research Director, Pink Triangle Press

The project stands as an example of how rigorous, community-informed research can help advance equity, support better decision-making, and create tools for advocacy, education, and systems change.

About Environics Research

Environics Research is a Canadian-owned research and consulting firm that helps organizations understand people, society, and change through evidence-based insights.

About Pink Triangle Press

Pink Triangle Press is one of the world's longest-running 2SLGBTQIA+ media organizations, creating journalism, advocacy, and community-focused content that serves queer and trans communities.

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