Description of Graphic for Breaking Down the Metaphor of the Tree

The following is a description of the Breaking Down the Metaphor of the Tree graphic. In this graphic the tree has a green crown, a brown trunk, and black roots.

# The Crown of the Tree (highlighted in green) (top to bottom) states:

Proximal Determinants (Crown)

* Physical Environments of Indigenous Peoples
* Poverty vs. Affluence
* Remote, Rural or Urban
* Access to Health Care, Education, Employment, Economic Development

# The Trunk of the Tree (highlighted in brown) (top to bottom) states:

Intermediate Determinants (Trunk)

* Systems of Care – Political, Economic and Social
* Health Care
* Education
* Community Infrastructure

# The Roots of the Tree (highlighted in blue) (top to bottom) states:

Distal Determinants (Roots)

* Historical Structures
* Indian Act & Residential Schools
* Colonialism
* Ideology and Political decision-making
* Racism