

What is the article about?

In this article we describe the steps it took for the BC Centre for Disease Control to develop GetCheckedOnline.com, BC's online testing program for sexually-transmitted and blood-borne infections.

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What did we do?

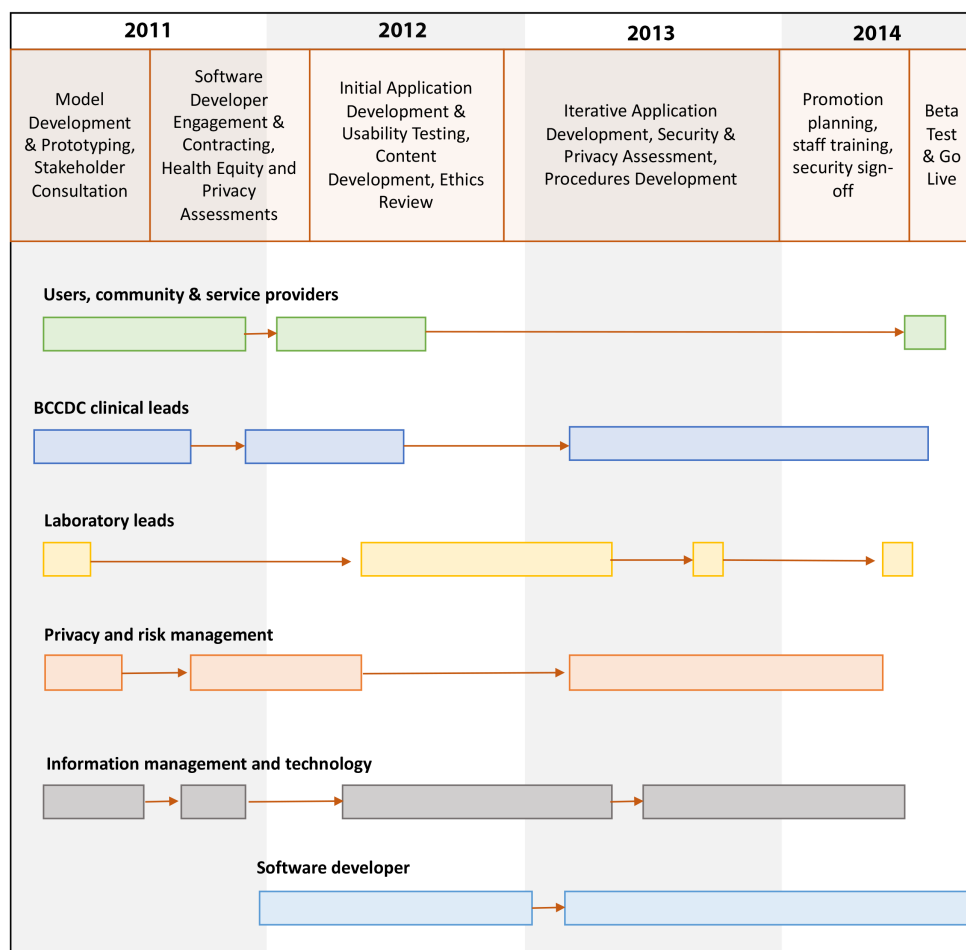
PLANNING, 2009-2011

- Established a multidisciplinary team
- Identified, engaged, and consulted with key stakeholders
- Reviewed the literature and consulted with program experts
- Consulted potential users and sexual health care providers
- Determined regulatory and practice requirements

DEVELOPMENT & USABILITY TESTING, 2011-2014

- Established Clinical and Technical working groups
- Assessed potential impact on health equity
- Met provincial requirements for pretest counseling and informed consent
- Determined risk assessment questions and test recommendations
- Usability tested and revised
- Completed privacy impact and security assessments
- Developed clinical procedures, trained clinic staff, and prepared for implementation
- Established funding model

Who was involved?



Why is this important?

Developing complicated online programs such as GetCheckedOnline can be challenging, and it needs strong organizational support.

This article is important as there is little information available for public health agencies looking to develop similar online health programs.