

As of September 2013, 223 residents of Fort McPherson have joined the Ft. McPherson H. pylori Project and 214 have completed a urea breath test (UBT). In March 2013, the endoscopy component of the Fort McPherson project was held in the William Firth Health Centre, where 58 residents underwent upper gastrointestinal endoscopy to examine the overall health of their stomachs. The treatment component of the project was also launched that same month. In July, project staff travelled to Ft. McPherson to offer treatment follow-up. Treatment enrollment is still ongoing. As of September, 53 residents of Ft. McPherson have been enrolled in the treatment trial. 24 of them have completed a post-treatment UBT to ensure their therapy was successful.

The endoscopy component of Inuvialuit Settlement Region (ISR) H. pylori Project was also held in March 2013. 13 residents of Tuktoyaktuk, NT travelled to the Inuvik Regional Hospital to undergo upper gastrointestinal endoscopy. Planning for expansion to other communities in the ISR is underway.

Knowledge dissemination activities were carried out throughout the year. Research team members travelled to Aklavik, Ft. McPherson, and Tuktoyaktuk to host community presentations and radio programs to share research updates and findings.