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## VICTOR ODELE, MPH, CPHI(C)

Victor graduated from the Bachelor of Health Science (Public Health) program at CBU in 2013. He started his career as an Environmental Health Officer (EHO) with Prince Albert Grand Council, Saskatchewan, where he worked with First Nation communities on various environmental health matters including food safety and security, housing, drinking water quality, wastewater, zoonotic diseases, climate change and research, among others.

As an EHO, Victor worked closely with First Nations leadership to develop policies as well as public awareness/education materials to support environmental health in communities.

In 2019, Victor joined the Assembly of First Nations, Ottawa, as a Senior Research and Policy Analyst – Environmental Health, where he leads various national environmental health-related files, including pollution prevention, chemicals management, food security and sovereignty, zoonotic infections, nuclear waste, and the review of the Canadian Environmental Protection Act (CEPA), among others.

Victor is also currently involved in a major national research project called the - Food, Environment, Health and Nutrition of First Nations Children and Youth (FEHNCY) study - [http://www.fehncy.ca/] which will examine the relationships between the environment and the health of First Nations Children and Youth across Canada.

Driven by career and educational advancement, Victor completed the Master of Public Health program at Lakehead University in 2017 and enjoys working on policies relating to environmental health.

In 2019, Victor was appointed as a Trustee for the Environmental Health Foundation. Victor is an avid soccer fan, enjoys road trips and loves to spend time with his family.