





PART 1: MOVEMBER AND MENTAL HEALTH

- Movember 101
- 260 weekends
- Men and mental health

PART 2: HOW TO HAVE BETTER CONVERSATIONS

- ALEC (Ask, Listen, Encourage Action, Check-in)
- Movember Conversations
- What is Therapy?
- Take action

OUTCOME: we're all better informed about mental health and equipped to manage difficult conversations.



THE MOVEMBER JOURNEY



5M+

INSPIRED TO JOIN GLOBAL MEN'S HEALTH MOVEMENT

20

COUNTRIES

\$1B

1,300+

MEN'S HEALTH PROGRAMS
FUNDED THROUGH 2021







5 YEARS x 52 WEEKENDS=

260
LOST WEEKENDS





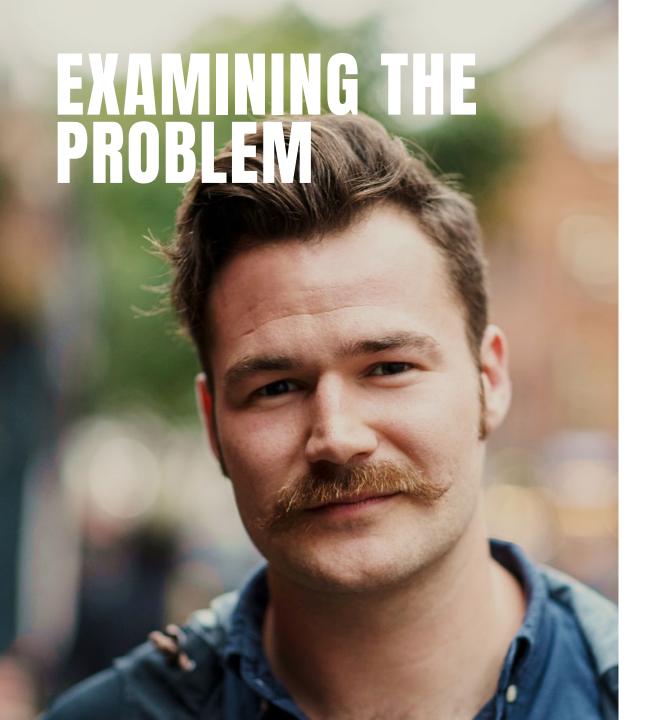


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suicides are men

MEN AGE 15-45

suicide is the 2nd leading cause of death for Canadian men



Suicide is complex, and is rarely caused by any single factor

Men often burden under **traditional masculinity social norms** (particularly self-reliance and stoicism) and can be slow to take action for their health.

This "tough it out" mentality works against their well being.

OVER HALF (59%)

of Canadian men feel society expects them to be "emotionally strong and to show no weakness."

OVER A THIRD (37%)

of Canadian men said they will not talk to others about how they feel to avoid feeling "unmanly".

^{*} Based on 2019 study of 1,000 Canadian men





Men often don't recognize symptoms of depression and are **more likely to "mask" or hide their feelings** with behaviours such as:

- Becoming irritable or aggressive
- Work compulsively
- Isolate from friends + family
- Increased consumption of alcohol or drugs
- Engage in higher risk activities

Significant life events often contribute to mental health challenges. Tough times to watch out for include:

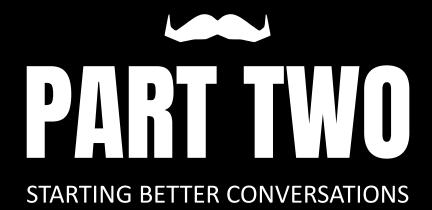
Becoming a father

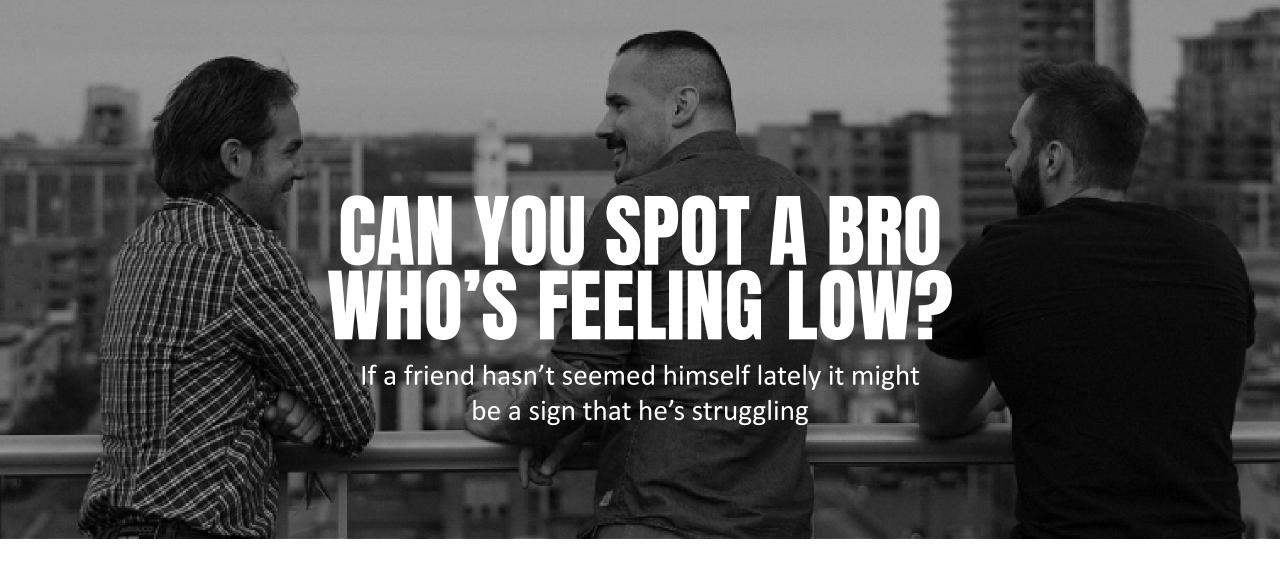
Loss of job

Relationship breakdowns

Physical health challenges

Retirement





Does Mr. Laid-back seem a bit edge?

Has your group chat king gone quiet?

Is the party animal just not feeling it?

Did the sporty one miss a session?







SIMPLE STEPS TO POWERFUL CONVERSATIONS

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Ask how they're doing

L.ISTEN

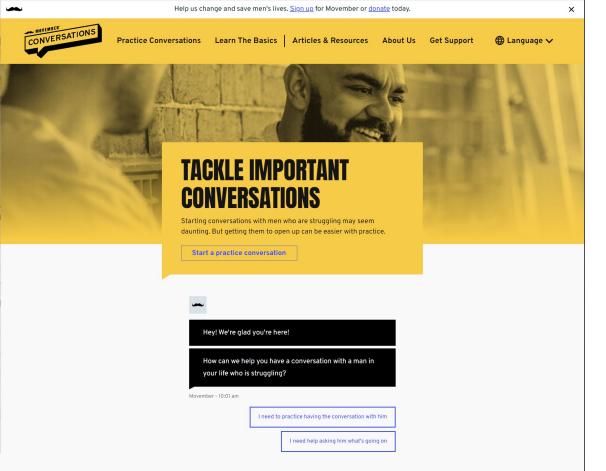
Listen to what they say

E.NCOURAGE ACTION

Explore the options they might have

C.HECK-IN

Keep in touch with where they're at



FIND YOUR PRACTICE CONVERSATION

Pick any topic to practice. We'll guide you through how to start the conversation with confidence and keep it moving in a helpful direction.

View all conversations



MOVEMBER CONVERSATIONS

conversations.movember.com

Movember Conversations is a free online mental health tool designed to provide you practical guidance on how to support the men in your life who might be struggling.

After **15 minutes** you will:

- Increase your confidence on how to support others
- Learn how to use ALEC framework with 5-minute scenarios
- Understand what therapy is and how to access it if you need it











How useful do you think the tool might be?



Can you think of someone who you could try these skills out on?



What's stopping you?



IF YOU THINK SOMEONES NOT DOING GOOD, REACH OUT TO THEM.

DO SOMETHING. TAKE A WALK. PLAN A CATCHUP.

BE THERE. LISTEN. SHARE WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH YOU TOO.



TAKE ACTION

1 Take 5 minutes to check-in with a friend or colleague

Q Head to movember.com/conversations, practice ALEC, share with someone in your life.

This Movember, join us, sign up on movember.com to help change the face of men's health.





THANK YOU

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