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>>> in an effort to make health care accessible to indigenous women and girls the women's college hospital is expanding their services. ctv's pauline chan visited the centre today. they marked red dress day. >> reporter: the centre for wise practices and indigenous carrot women's college hospital began in 2018 led by doctor lisa richardson. >> we have these instances like what happened to joyce echaquan were not only are they not receiving high-quality care. they are encountering significant his termination and racism. >> reporter: in recent months she says a centre has really taken off. residents say her initial task was to build understanding in the hospital staff. >> my work with the community members is to sit with them. i can do counselling but the initial meeting to ask them what is her current challenge to speak and ask for the best way forward between indigenous medicine is very holistic and



does not see division between physical healing, mental health day treatment and spiritual teachings. the clinic has become integrated into the hospital's electronic record system. >> a clinician could reach out to us for a patient asking for cultural support or navigation advocacy and we provide those resources to doctor richardson says the next step she would like to see his recruit more indigenous staff such as nurses and practitioners. on red dress day a

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