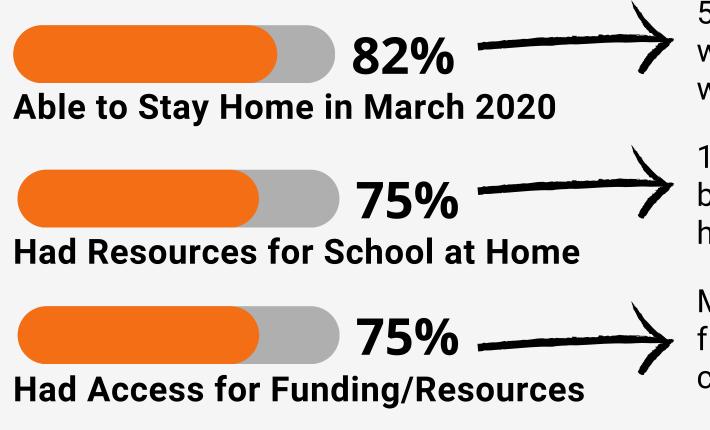
# **OTTAWA INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY MEMBERS' FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCES DURING COVID-19**

### **Section 5: Children and Education**

Results are from the 2021 COVID-19 research survey of 1077 Indigenous community members in Ottawa that described their experience of COVID-19 from March 2020 to June 2021.

### **IMPACT OF COVID ON FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN**



52% of community members who were able to stay home were 25-34 years of age.

17% of people had technology but didn't know how to use it or had no one to teach them.

Men were able to access funding/resources more (by 11%) compared to women.

of community members have children

62%

#### **SEPTEMBER 2020 LEARNING CHOICES**

### **CHILDREN'S STAGE OF LIFE**

Other (9%)



**Day Care or** 



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Combination of Both (33%)

Online (33%) •

In-Person (25%)



My oldest child is twelve and has been falling into a period of depression and has developed insomnia; I believe this is due to being isolated from her friends and other peers, as well as the stress of online learning.

## **CONCERNS ABOUT THE WELLBEING OF CHILDREN**

Parents had the following concerns about their children (ranging from sometimes to always concerned):

- Overall Wellness (91.8%)
- Social Interaction (90.5)
- Learning Development (88%)
- Language Skills (86%)
- Child Development (85.2%)

