

Communique on Gathering Wisdom for a Shared Journey

The FNHC is pleased to announce more details about the upcoming Gathering Wisdom for a Shared Journey forum. The Gathering Wisdom forum will be hosted by the FNHC on November 30 to December 2, 2016 at the Sheraton Wall Centre Hotel in Vancouver.

The focus of the forum this year is the social determinants of health – the social, cultural, economic and environmental factors that contribute to healthy communities. The forum will build on the discussions started at the Regional Caucuses this fall and will feature presentations from provincial Ministries. The forum is an opportunity for First Nation leaders to inform and shape the strategic direction of provincial Ministries responsible for education, post-secondary education, justice, public safety, and children and family services. It is an opportunity for First Nation leaders to discuss a long-term vision and strategy to address the social determinants of health.

Please Note: Gathering Wisdom Email Address Correction

There was an error with the event's email address in previous communication. Please ensure to email gatheringwisdom@pacegroup.com for registration questions.

NOVEMBER 29 TH – EARLY REGISTRATION AND REGIONAL CAUCUSES	
TIME	AGENDA ITEM
2:00-6:00 pm	Early Registration
6:00-8:00 pm	Regional Caucuses – Dinner and Discussion
NOVEMBER 30 TH – DAY ONE	
TIME	AGENDA ITEM
7:00 am	Registration Opens
7:30-8:15 am	Breakfast
8:15-9:00 am	Welcome to Coast Salish Territory
Morning Session	<p><i>Establishing the First Nation Health Governance Structure</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Joe Gallagher (Chief Executive Officer, First Nations Health Authority) <p><i>Towards a Ten-Year Population Health and Wellness Agenda</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Evan Adams (Chief Medical Officer, First Nations Health Authority) • Dr. Perry Kendall (Provincial Health Officer, BC Ministry of Health) <p><i>Advancing the Shared Vision of Healthy, Self-Determining and Vibrant BC First Nations</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grand Chief Doug Kelly (Chair of the First Nations Health Council)
Afternoon Session	<p><i>Partnership with BC First Nations to Improve Health and Wellness Outcomes</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Honourable John Rustad (Minister of Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation) <p><i>Leadership Dialogue on the Social Determinants of Health Strategy</i></p>
DECEMBER 1 ST – DAY TWO	
TIME	AGENDA ITEM
7:30-8:30 am	Breakfast

Morning Session	<i>Keynote Presentation on Children and Family Services</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Terry Cross (Founder of the National Indian Child Welfare Association) <i>Report Back from Regional Caucus</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ministry of Children and Family Development
Afternoon Session	<i>Report Back from Regional Caucus</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ministries of Justice and Public Safety Ministries of Education and Advanced Education
DECEMBER 2ND – DAY THREE	
TIME	AGENDA ITEM
7:30-8:30 am	Breakfast
8:30-10:00 am	Regional Caucuses
Morning Session	<i>Regional Reflections and Report on Forum</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Speakers Selected by Each Region
	<i>Community Engagement and Communications: Implementing the Engagement and Approval Pathway</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Nations Health Council
12:00 pm	Adjourn

GUEST KEYNOTE: TERRY CROSS, FOUNDER – NATIONAL INDIAN CHILD WELFARE ASSOCIATION



Terry (Ha-ne-ga-noh), an enrolled member of the Seneca Nation, received his master’s degree in social work from Portland State University in Portland, Oregon. He is the founding executive director of NICWA, now serving as senior advisor. He is the author of Positive Indian Parenting and co-authored Towards a Culturally Competent System of Care, published by Georgetown University. He has 40 years of experience in child welfare, including 10 years direct practice.

WHO IS INVITED?

The FNHC acknowledges that the social determinants of health are broad and each First Nation organizes its staffing and technical supports according to their own needs and aspirations. The FNHC has asked that the Chief identify two representatives from their community to attend the forum – typically one political lead and one technical lead. As per past practice, the FNHC will cover the costs of two representatives per community as identified by the Chief to attend the forum.

Due to the nature of this year’s Forum, attendance is limited to the above affiliations.

REGISTRATION

For Chiefs to Register: visit <https://www.regonline.ca/gatheringwisdomVIII> (access code: GWVIII *Chief/proxy only*). All BC Chiefs have received invitation emails and personal phone calls from the event organizers.

For 2nd Representatives to Register: an invitation will be sent to the person identified within the Chief's online registration process.

(3) Draw prizes are available to everyone registered by the following deadlines:

Prizes will be gifted to the winners at onsite registration check-in, November 29th or 30th.

- Friday, November 4th at 5:00pm
- Thursday, November 10th at 5:00pm
- Friday, November 18th at 5:00pm

Final deadline to attend the Forum: Friday, November 18th at 5:00pm. *Registration is closed after this date.*

HOTEL ROOMS

Reservations: Hotel reservation details can be found on the 'Lodging' page of the online registration process. If you are already registered but haven't booked your hotel room, please contact gatheringwisdom@pacegroup.com for details.

Hotel deadline: Wednesday, November 16th at 5:00pm (group rates and availability are not guaranteed after this date).

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