## The 7th World Indigenous Women & Wellness Conference

# Warriors Against Violence

**Monday - Wednesday September 25-27, 2006** 

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## WELCOME

### Greetings from the Local Planning Committee

It gives us great pleasure to welcome delegates to one of the world's most beautiful cities. From sea to sky, we are driven by nature. Inspired by the land, we see it's diversity reflected in our people. Our stunning scenery, numerous facilities and cultural mosaic make Vancouver one of the best places to live in the world.

We are pleased to host the **7th World Indigenous Women & Wellness Conference: Warriors Against Violence** and would like to thank the Coast Salish Nation on whose Territory the conference is being held.

We look forward to meeting you in Vancouver! Please join us.



# Warriors Against Violence .....

### **Conference Description:**

This conference will address the growing patterns of violence within Indigenous families and communities. Success stories will be shared by Indigenous communities who have learned effective strategies to promote wellness in their home environment and communities. The issues of violence and relationships will be shared. Particular emphasis will be on hearing the voice of our Youth, and embracing our Elders to promote healthier and positive future for our communities. The conference will also provide information, resources and networking opportunities for Indigenous people.

### Who Should Attend:

Community health planners, educators, health care providers, Indigenous leaders, elders, youth, students, policy makers, police/justice, researchers and others who are interested in or work in the field of Indigenous health.

### **Local Planning Committee**

### Marjorie White, Co-Conference Chair

President, Pacific Association of First Nations' Women Vancouver, BC

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Nurse Clinician, Aboriginal Health Program, BC Women's Hospital & Health Centre, Vancouver, BC

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Hepatitis C Coordinator, In the Spirit of Sharing Project Healing Our Spirit, Vancouver, BC

#### Elaine Liau

Director, Interprofessional Continuing Education, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC

#### Barby Skaling

Healing Our Spirit BC Aboriginal HIV/Aids Society Vancouver, BC

### **Advisory Committee**

#### Chief Ian Campbell

<u>X</u>ále<u>k'</u>/Se<u>k</u>yù Siyám, Chief and Council, Squamish Nation, North Vancouver, BC

We would like to thank Chief Ian Campbell and the Coast Salish Nation on whose Territory this conference is being held.

#### New Zealand Representatives:

Marcia Krawll Aroha Tekanawa

### Hawaii Representatives:

Dixie Padello Ho'oipo de'Cambra

### **Financial Assistance**

We would like to acknowledge with special appreciation the financial contribution from the following organizations:





### Sunday, September 24, 2006

5:00 pm Registration Open for those delegates who wish

to pick up their package prior to the official

opening

8:00 pm Registration Closed

### Monday, September 25, 2006

8:00 am Registration Open

8:30 am Traditional Welcoming - Grand Entry

We encourage you to wear your regalia or

traditional dress

Opening Prayer and Welcome

Chief Ian Campbell,

Xálek'/Sekyù Siyám, Chief and Council, Squamish Nation, North Vancouver, BC

### 11:15 am Refreshment Break & Exhibits Open

11:45 am Keynote: A True Warrior Headed into the Abyss

of the Unknown

Madeleine Dion Stout, RN, MIA Independent Cree Scholar, Delta, BC

12:45 pm Lunch Break & Exhibits Open

### 2:00 PM Concurrent Session A (2:00 pm - 3:30 pm)

### A1 Responding To Indigenous Family Violence: Practice and Reflection

Gwendolyn Packard

Director, Morning Star House, Inc, New Mexico, United States of America

Kyllie Cripps

CIPHER Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Onemda VicHealth Koori Health Unit, Victoria, Australia

In doctoral research, experiences & responses to family violence in four Indigenous communities were documented. This is a joint presentation with one case study - Morning Star Inc - who will detail their experiences in responding to this problem. The presentation will also talk broadly about the doctoral research & its implications.

### A2 Renewal of Traditional Puberty Training

Patricia Manuel © x"Pilx"algs

K'w a? K'w úl'st – Trainer, Syilx Nation (Okanogan), Merritt, BC

Trudy Jack © Cha Cha

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Iuanita Joe

Syilx Nation (Okanogan), Merrit, BC

Margaret Manuel

Syilx Nation (Okanogan)/Shuswap Nation, Merritt, BC

Megan Fortier

Syilx Nation (Okanogan)/Shuswap Nation, Westbank, BC

We, the Traditional Trainers of Women from the Interior Salish Region of BC, are renewing our Traditional Puberty Practices. It has become a way in which we collectively recognize, respect and enhance our teachings and guidance with the purpose of reawakening our core spiritual beliefs to assist our young people to become warriors in today's society. It is through the healing of Intergenerational Grief, that we rectify the Traumas of our Grandmothers and promote Wellness in Ourselves and our Daughters. Our belief is that we all need to ask ourselves "How might our lives have been different, if there had been a place for usa place of Women?"

## A3 Balancing the Roles of Men and Women: Development of a Culturally Appropriate Women's Analysis Framework Document

Kathleen McHugh

Chair, Assembly of First Nations Women's Council, Ottawa, ON Marie Frawley-Henry

Senior Policy Analyst, Women's Issues Specialist, Assembly of First Nations, Ottawa, ON

The equality of men and women has always been a guiding factor for the Assembly of First Nations, as clearly stated in the preamble of its Charter. This workshop is an opportunity for participants to engage in the development of a culturally relevant gender-based analysis framework.

### A4 Just Ask Us: Conversations with First Nations Teenage Moms

Sylvia Olsen

First Nations Community Development Specialist / Author, North Saanich, BC

Tammy Bill

Teen Mom, Tseycum First Nation, North Saanich, BC

Diane Harris

Health Worker, Chemainus First Nation, North Saanich, BC

In 2003 Sylvia Olsen conducted a community participation research project with teen moms from Saanich First Nations resulting in the publication of Just Ask Us: A Conversation with First Nations Teen Moms. Sylvia; Tammy, a teen mom and participant in the research; and Diane Harris, a First Nations health worker, will talk about the project and other work that is being done in First Nations communites with teen moms.

### A5 Silencing of Voice: A Violent Act

#### Donna Kurtz

Okanagan Aboriginal Health Research Collective, Kelowna, BC; and, Associate Professor, School of Nursing, University of British Columbia Okanagan, Kelowna, BC

#### Jessie C. Nyberg

Secwepemc Nation and Aboriginal Infant & Early Childhood Development First Nation Friendship Center, Kelowna, BC

#### Susan Van Den Tillaart

Assistant Professor, University of British Columbia Okanagan, School of Nursing, Kelowna, BC

#### Penny Cash

Associate Professor, University of British Columbia Okanagan, School of Nursing, Kelowna, BC

This workshop surfaces themes gleaned from an ongoing participatory action project exploring Indigenous women experiences when accessing health care services and the silencing, disregard and ignoring of the their health care concerns, resulting in them ignoring or devaluing their own health and well being. Their stories illuminate the importance of voice in one's power to direct their health care towards improved health/well being and ways to initiate changes in policy, practice and relationships that prevent this silencing (an act of violence) that increases their health risks.

# A6 Approaches to Conflict and Social Justice: "Decolonizing Our Minds", Reversing Colonization from a Gendered Perspective Cynthia D. Stirbys

Research & Policy Analyst, Assembly of First Nations Health & Social Secretariat -Women's Health, Ottawa, ON

Colonization imposed a patriarchal worldview that began a phenomena of power, domination, and oppression contributing to various forms of physical and structural (hidden) violence against women. Exercises encourage discussion: "How can individual action be taken to decolonize our minds that aims to prevent further structural violence against all women"?

#### 3: 30 PM Refreshment Break

## 4:00 PM Optional Healing Sessions: Several healing sessions will be offered to participants attending. For example:

- 1. Nature Walk
- 2. Meditation
- 3. Sweats
- 4. Tours
- 5. Reflexology

Please see registration form to indicate your **interest** for these sessions.

### Tuesday, September 26, 2006

8:00 am Registration & Light Refreshments

9: 00 am Opening Prayer

9:15 am Keynote: Engaging Men in Ending Violence: The Missing Piece of the Puzzle

Bruce Wood, M.A., D.A.A.

Executive Director, Men's Resource Centre of Saskatoon; and Primary Consultant, Changing Men Consulting, Saskatoon. SK

10:00 Refreshment Break

### **10:30 am Concurrent Session B** (10:30 - 12:00 noon)

### **B1** Ending Violence in Relationships

Barby Ann Skaling

Healing Our Spirit BC Aboriginal HIV/Aids Society, Vancouver, BC

An interactive session with time allowed for questions and answers. Exploring historical influences that impacted Aboriginal people, how we face challenges today and direct loss of our individual identity to Violence, Abuse and Addiction. You will hear an Aboriginal woman's personal story - living in an abusive relationship in an Aboriginal rural community and looking at best practices in using culture in healing and strategies for after care/wellness in an holistic approach.

This session will be geared towards innovative strategies for implementing an individual wellness plan or creating linkage to other planning processes or disease issues. The presenter will share ideas from healing journeys for safer and healthier relationships.

### B2 Family Violence Policy for Indigenous Australians Margaret Beattie

Director, Family Violence Prevention and Legal Service Program, Australian Attorney-General's Department, Barton, ACT, Australia

Dr. Kyllie Cripps

CIPHER Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Onemda VicHealth Koori Health Unit, University of Melbourne, Carlton, Victoria, Australia

The paper will introduce the history behind the development of the Indigenous Family Violence Policy in Australia. The paper will demonstrate the policy in practice. In practice, the Australian Attorney-General's Department introduced the Family Violence Prevention Legal Services Program. This program funds 26 services across Australia. The 26 services will deliver the program to rural and remote clients of family violence in our Indigenous communities.

### B3 A Song For Healing; In Our Grandmother's Voice

Judy Lemke, M. Ed.

Instructor/Researcher, Native Education Centre, Vancouver, BC Joyce Fossella, M. Ed.

Facilitator/Counsellor, Warriors Against Violence Society Vancouver, BC

Through drumming, story and song, presenters will share stories with unique perspective: one story tells of a child's journey through residential school and another story explains how one grandmother's initiative has impacted the lives of generations to come. Participants will then be invited to learn a traditional song.

### **B4** Introduction to Art Therapy

Carrie J. Reid, M.A.

Principal, Mostly Salish Consulting, Qualicum Beach, BC

This session will introduce the way art therapy works, using a variety of messy (but washable) materials. Participants will experience the joy of play and the power of the arts in healing. Art therapy is a gentle and non-violent way for people to do healing work.

### B5 Developing Agency and Strategies for Healthy Change

**Spy Dénommé-Welch,** BA (Hon), MA (Candidate) MA in Interdisciplinary Studies, York University, Scarborough, ON

This presentation will explore the effectiveness of developing agency and self-empowerment through film and video-making. The presenter will facilitate discussion surrounding equality and education issues and how the application of filmmaking function to develop comprehensive techniques to educate and advocate strategies for healthy change in pedagogy and the workplace.

### **B6** Healthy Children Healthy Futures

Mark Turner

Program Coordinator, Hiiye'yu Lelum (House of Friendship) Society, Duncan, BC

Christine Sim

Program Coordinator, Port Alberni Friendship Centre, Port Alberni, BC

Healthy Children Healthy Futures is a peer facilitated parenting program in 14 modules. The program is directed at parents or caregivers of children 0 to 6 years and was started in 1995. HCHF is presented to the local communities by two Aboriginal Friendship Centers, one in Port Alberni and the other Duncan. We will be presenting information on the work we do, facilitating a mini module session, having fun, eating and answering questions about this well-received parenting education program.

HCHF is a parenting education program that all parents may attend, even in if they are in crisis, are court ordered, or if their children are or may be in Ministry care. Many participants attend as way of showing the courts or social workers that they are working on making improvements to their parenting skills.

### 12:45 pm Lunch Break & Exhibits Open

### **1:30** pm Concurrent Session C (1:30 - 3:00 pm)

### C1 Engaging Men in Change - Respectful Approaches to and with First Nations Men

Bruce Wood, M.A., D.A.A.

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Executive Director, Saskatoon Men's Resource Centre; and, Primary Consultant, Changing Men Consulting, Saskatoon, SK

This workshop will explore why men have been mostly absent from the movement to end violence against women. Several Canadian First Nations programs that have been successful in engaging men will be described, highlighted and offered.

### C2 Sex:U:ality - Knowing Where You Stand SueAnn Phillips

Educator, Healing Our Spirit BC Aboriginal HIV/AIDS Society, Vancouver, BC

The purpose of this presentation is to explore feelings, views and values regarding sexuality and relationships in a fun, safe and interactive environment. Participants will also connect to traditional teachings about sexuality, gender roles, and sexual orientation. By increasing sexuality awareness for Aboriginal people, we hope to reduce HIV transmission.

### C3 Healing and the Medicine Wheel

Debbie Washenfelder, BA, B.Ed

Counsellor, Red River College Access Program, Aboriginal Division, Winnipeg, MB

The acronym "HEALING" is the basis of this presentation. Each letter represents a section of the presentation. We will take a global look at healing by taking a journey inside and around the medicine wheel. Some of the topics that will be addressed are: healing processes, emotions, violence, role modeling, and gratitude.

### C4 Reclaiming Birthing: Promoting Peaceful, Healthy Aboriginal Communities

Colleen Varcoe, RN, PhD

Associate Professor, University of British Columbia School of Nursing, Vancouver, BC

Helen Brown RN, PhD (Candidate)

University of Victoria, School of Nursing, North Vancouver, BC

Miranda Tallio

Nuxalk Nation, Bella Coola, BC

Thelma Harvey

Nuxalk Nation, Bella Coola, BC

Violence in Aboriginal communities is often understood using individualist approaches that fail to see violence as a social problem connected to colonial relations and racism. Our research into Rural Aboriginal maternity care illustrates how reclaiming birthing is integral to reclaiming Indigenous knowledge and culture, and for mitigating the effects of colonizing and racist practices.

### C5 Snap-shots of Street Life: The Use of Group Photo-Therapy with Aboriginal Street Youth

Dr. Jennifer Mervyn, M.D., Ph.D. (Candidate)

Crisis Worker, Adolescent Crisis Response Program, Fraser Health Authority, BC ACADRE, University of British Columbia, Surrey, BC

Sixteen aboriginal youth between the ages of 14-21 participated in an 11 week photo therapy program in Surrey. Each week the youth were given a theme that they must represent photographically. Some themes have included "healthy relationships," and coping with "the street". The purpose of the group has been to promote the mental health and wellness of these youth by engaging them in a positive activity that facilitates discussion. The hope was also to promote awareness of available crisis resources and mental health services for youth. The group has allowed for the youth to talk openly and ask questions about issues such as health and wellness, relationships, sexuality, and self-care. The youth have become more familiar with services available to them including mental health services. The youth have a chance to learn a skill, express themselves through art, and gain confidence and self-esteem through their accomplishments. The end of the group was celebrated by a public art exhibition displaying their works.

### C6 Vision Quest 2005: Healing Our Communities Dr. Gloria Alvernaz Mulcahy

Academic Research Associate, The Centre for Research on Violence Against Women and Children, The University of Western Ontario; Professor Psychology & Psychotherapist, King's University College, University of Western Ontario; President Board of Directors At^lohsa Native Family Healing Services, London, ON Edna Brass

Activist Downtown Eastside, Vancouver; Board of Directors, Women's Centre, Vancouver, B.C.

This workshop takes a multi-media approach exploring how traditional practices offer a pathway to healing in the face of poverty, racism, colonialism, substance abuse and violence. It focuses on an annual Vision Quest & Fast held, since 1998, in the core of the DTES Vancouver—raising awareness about violence and our "missing sisters".

### C7 Tradition, Culture & Lifestyle Contribute to Health Identity

Dr. Mary Lou Louie

Traditional Spiritual Healer, Keremeos, BC

This dynamic workshop will provide participants with an inside view of how a lifestyle rich with tradition & culture, influences and contributes to having a healthy identity. Dr. Mary Lou Louie will discuss the importance of reclaiming and reviving traditional cultural knowledge in the self and the community.

### **3:30 pm Concurrent Session D** (3:30 - 5:00 pm)

### D1 Men In Relationships: A Group for Piikani Men

Angela Grier-Shade

Piikani Child & Family Services, Piikani First Nation – Blackfoot Confederacy, Brocket, AB

Steve Thibodeou

Clinical Psychologist, Piikani First Nation – Blackfoot Confederacy, Brocket, AB

This workshop begins by examining the impact of colonialism on Native American Personality then moves into examining the paradigm shift between western and Indigenous thought. The presenters are experienced Blackfoot or Indigenous speakers and serve as positive models of health and wellbeing from the men that we are working with.

Topics also range from residential school impacts, experience with domestic violence from a reformed Blackfoot male, as well as addictions experiences from another reformed Blackfoot male. Horsemanship, spirituality and land issues are also presented as part of the native paradigm shift to promote traditional ways of thought in a contemporary format.

### D2 Ho'omana

### R. Kaleiaukai Teixeira

Hawaiian Language & Culture Facilitator, Hawai'i Family Services, Inc, Wai'anae, Hawai'i

### T. Kau'i Teixeira

Associate Executive Director, Hawai'i Family Services, Inc, Wai'anae, Hawai'i

Ho'omana – Mana, supernatural, divine power, spirituality. Ho'omana, to give mana to. For centuries, na wahine 'oiwi (native women) in Hawai'i have faced tribulations of violence. In battle or aftermath, facing strife in our 'ohana (family) or ourselves, na wahine 'oiwi are true warriors. Can we spiritually emerge from violence today?

### D3 Creating Healthy Families

Diana Day

B.A. (Honours), New Day Consulting, Vancouver, BC

This session will provide an opportunity to examine First Nations family roles and responsibilities and explore the current health status and trends of First Nations families. The participants explore 4 points of power that will address the issue of personal empowerment and helps to create a mind shift from the role of victim into the role of self-empowerment.

3:00 PM Refreshment Break, Exhibits Open

#### **D**4 Five Cornerstones (Our Understanding of Violent and Abusive Behaviors)

Dan Parker (Suh-Huhl-Tn)

Counsellors/Facilitators & Founders of Warriors Against Violence Society, Vancouver, BC

Joseph Fossella

Counsellors/Facillitators & Funders of Warriors Against Violence Society, Vancouver, BC

This presentation will give us an opportunity to discuss the contributing factors that lead us to violent and abusive behaviors. We will discuss strategies that reclaim our traditional values of Honor, Respect, and Equality.

#### **D5** Shadow of a Scream

Andrew Burton

Program Director, Street Spirits Theatre Company and Drug Prevention Coordinator, BC Northern Health Authority, Prince George, BC

Deryl Henderson

Aboriginal Liaison, BC Northern Health Authority, Prince George, BC

Youth Actors

From the Street Spirits Program

"Shadow of a Scream" is an audience interactive theatre presentation about emotional violence and sexual abuse. The play was conceived and created by youth actors in the Street Spirits program. Youth will perform the play in Forum Theatre allowing audience members to intervene to create change.

#### **D6 Effective Strategies For Engaging Aboriginal** Women Health Researchers, Leaders And Scholars: A Partnership Approach To Generating New Knowledge In Health And Healing

Linda Day, BA, B.Ed

Executive Director, Aboriginal Women's Health and Healing Research Group, Vancouver, BC

This session will provide an overview of the Aboriginal Women's Health and Healing Research Group and review key components of the Annotated Bibliography of Aboriginal Women's Health and Healing Research (2005). Participants will provide input to the organization about innovative ways to adopt Aboriginal (including First Nations, Inuit and Metis) perspectives to develop a culturally appropriate gender-based analysis (GBA) framework which would then be suitable for adaptation in First Nations, Inuit and Métis communities and in all Aboriginal policy.

#### 5:00 PM Adjourn

### Wednesday, September 27, 2006

8:00 am Early Registration & Light Refreshments

9:00 am **Opening Prayer** 

Keynote: Policy, Politics, and Mentorship: 9:15 am Youth Participation For Today's Generations

Ginger Gosnell

Youth Advocate, Nisga'a and KWagiulth Nations

10:30 am **Refreshment Break** 

### **11:00** am Concurrent Session E (11:00 - 12:30 pm)

#### **E1** Community Collaboration - One Step at a Time Cathy Alisch

General Manager, Waabinong Head Start Family Resource Centre, Sault Ste Marie, ON

Jim Baraniuk

Executive Director, Children's Aid Society of Algoma, Sault Ste Marie, ON

Brenda Coombs

Executive Director, Nimkii-Naabkawagan Family Crisis Shelter Batchewana, First Nation of Ojibway, Sault Ste Marie, ON

This workshop will provide a review of the process taken by a number of Aboriginal organizations and a child welfare agency in developing a coalition of services aimed at helping Aboriginal families living in Sault Ste Marie. The presentation will focus on how this unique collaborative partnership occurred, why it was so successful and what was accomplished by this community collaboration.

#### E2 Decolonizing Birthing: Supporting the Restoration of Aboriginal Midwifery

Lois Edge

Senior Research Officer, Métis Centre, National Aboriginal Health Organization (NAHO), Ottawa, ON

Ruby Miller (TBC)

Tsi Non:we Ionnakertstha (The Place They Will be Born) Ona:grahsta' (A Birthing Place), Hagersville, ON

A panel discussion will provide an overview of initiatives undertaken by the National Aboriginal Health Organization (NAHO) and its partners to support Aboriginal midwifery through knowledge-based activities. An Elder will share an Indigenous perspective and a community representative will discuss the creation and development of an Aboriginal Midwifery "Better Practice".

# E3 Youth Leadership Development and Empowerment Through "Learning Who We Are": A Squamish Community Centered Project

Stephen Kozey

Social Justice Educator and Facilitator; Doctor of Education Student, Faculty of Education Studies, North Vancouver, BC **Jackie Gonzales** 

Manager, Youth Services Division, Child and Family Services Program, Squamish Nation; Bachelor of Aboriginal Social Work Student, School of Social Work, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC

### **Dustin Rivers**

Grade 12 Student, Carson Graham Secondary School; Contemporary Squamish Dancer, Singer, and Fine Arts Practitioner, North Vancouver, BC

Utilizing Indigenous research methodology and data collection methods such as storytelling and (re) telling, six co-researchers (youth workers) use new ways of learning about old ways of knowing (Archibald 2005) in order to document the history of the Squamish people. Through interactive focus groups and community forums with the youth population, Squamish Elders and leaders representing various disciplines provide a true and authentic account of Squamish ways of knowing. Annual traditions such as "honoring the babies" and "initiation of puberty rights" are part of community life once again. These ceremonial youth honoring practices improve youth self-identity, develop youth leadership, and empower youth.

### E4 Theraplay: Nurturing Our Children

Tara Tunstall

Private Practioner, Duncan, BC **Kristen Hilmoe,** M. Ed., R.P.T., R.C.C. Child and Family Therapist, Nanaimo, BC

Theraplay is a short-term, interactive, and directive attachment-based therapy for children and families. Playful, nurturing, structuring, and challenging interactions are used to develop healthier relationships between children and their attachment figures. This is key for both partners to develop a positive and effective sense of self, and a secure foundation from which to continue to grow. In this interactive workshop, participants will learn about the development of attachment patterns, the dynamics of Theraplay, and how it can address the attachment needs of families hurt by residential school or other disruptive processes.

### E5 Resting Angels: Expressive Arts and Reflective Practice

Carrie J. Reid, M.A.

Principal, Mostly Salish Consulting, Qualicum Beach, BC

An art making experience will provide opportunity for self-reflection. Collage, poetry, and journaling will allow participants to reflect on ways they are currently practicing, ways they want to improve; and where they are going. The process allows the individuals to acknowledge and validate what they do well in their work.

### E6 Metamorphosis: An In-Depth Look at the Lives of Former Street Kids

Jennifer Mervyn, M.D., Ph.D. (Candidate) Crisis Worker, Adolescent Crisis Response Program, Fraser Health Authority, BC ACADRE, University of British Columbia, Surrey, BC

Jennifer's master's thesis involved a critical incident analysis of the factors that helped and hindered adults' homeless transitions. In an extension of her master's research, and as part of her dissertation, Iennifer has made a documentary film featuring 7 young Canadian women who are in the process of transition, or who have already successfully left a life on the streets. Half of these young women are Aboriginal. Youth in this film tell their stories about life on the streets, and what they had to do to leave that life behind them. Politicians, police, and front-line workers are also interviewed for their input in what helps facilitate exits to homelessness for young people. Concerns raised in the film include lack of available treatment for youth struggling with substance abuse, the need for treatment on demand, the deficits in the "4 Pillars Approach", and the challenges of the Young Offenders Act. Jennifer's dissertation research takes a critical look at the resilience factors in youth leaving the street, and examines the process of transition that successful youth have made. This powerful and thought-provoking film generally conjures a lot of questions and discussion. This presentation will include a facililated discussion after the film, either as one group, or in small working groups that would brain-storm community development ideas on what can be done in each participant's community that will help facilitate successful exits from homelessness for youth.

### 12:30 PM Luncheon Banquet

(see registration form for further information)

### 1:00 PM Banquet Speaker: The Vision of Future is Empowered Thru' Culture & Tradition

Dr. Mary Lou Louie

Traditional Spiritual Healer, Keremeos, BC

1:30 PM Passing of Baton to Next Conference Host

2:00 PM Adjourn

### POSTER LISTING

### "Evaluation of the Mobile Access Unit for Women in the Downtown Eastside of Vancouver"

### Patricia Janssen

Assistant Professor, Department of Health Care Epidemiology, UBC, Vancouver, BC

#### Kate Gibson

Executive Director, WISH Drop-in Society, Vancouver, BC Kamela Sproule

Research Assistant, Strathcona Research Group, Vancouver, BC Raven Bowen

Regional Coordinator / Policy and Research Development Coordinator, BC Coalition of Experiential Women / Pace Society, Vancouver, BC

### Gaining Strength by Lifting Women's Spirits Samantha Sansregret

Coordinator, Aboriginal Women's Wellness Initiative, Victoria, BC

### Michele Quinn

Team leader, Health Social Programs / Mental Health Liaison, Victoria, BC

### The Garden as Metaphor for Life, Rejuvenation and Community Healing

#### Priscilla Settee

Ph.D. Candidate, Faculty Director, Indigenous Peoples Program, Extension Division, University of Saskatchewan, Saskatoon, SK

### Lillian Sanderson

La Ronge Native Women's Council, La Ronge, SK

### Stopping the Violence: Restorative Justice Practices Outside of the Criminal Justice System in the Yukon. How far should we go?

#### Chelsea A. Gabel

Ph.D. Candidate, Canadian Studies, Carleton University, Ottawa, ON

### Community Coordination for Women's Safety: An Effective Strategy for Increasing Victim Safety in British Columbia

### Gail Edinger

Regional Coordinator, Community Coordination for Women's Safety, BC Association of Specialized Victim Assistance and Counselling Programs, Vancouver, BC

### Ioanne Lafferty

Project Coordinator, Aboriginal Healing Foundation, Ki-Low-Na Friendship Society, Kelowna, BC

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### GENERAL INFORMATION

### Location/Accommodation:

The conference will be held at the spectacular **Westin Bayshore**, 2005 Condé Nast Traveller Gold List Winner. Located on the ocean, just steps away from the 1,000 acre Stanley Park, this hotel and conference centre is also within easy walking distance of worldclass shopping on Robson Street. The address of the hotel is: 1601 Bayshore Drive.

#### **Guest Room Rates**

### Reserve today to avoid disappointment!

A special "Early Bird" Room Rate of \$199 will be offered to the **first 100 room reservations** booked up to and including July 24, 2006.

After the first 100 room reservation have been booked on any one night the "Early Bird" Room Rate will increase to \$219.00 up to and including **July 24, 2006**. After July 24, 2006, the Room Rate will be offered at the original conference rate of \$229.

The block of rooms will be held at the conference rate until August 25, 2006.

Please call hotel reservations directly and specify that you are booking with Indigenous Women & Wellness Conference.

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- Self-Parking Lot adjacent to Main Entrance: \$23/entire day
- Valet Parking at the Main Entrance: \$26/entire day
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Online: www.interprofessional.ubc.ca (Mastercard and Visa only)

### By Telephone:

Local/International: (604) 822-6156 Toll free within Canada/USA: 1-877-328-7744

**By Fax:** (604) 822-4835

**By mail:** with a cheque, purchase order or credit card.

Please see registration form for more details.

Registration before **August 25**, **2006** is strongly recommended to ensure you receive all conference materials.

#### **Tuition Fees**

Please see registration form (on the back of the brochure) for details. The tuition fee includes conference materials, conference bag, refreshment breaks, banquet luncheon and certificate of attendance. Pre-registration prior to August 25th, 2006 is strongly recommended to ensure your receive all conference materials.

### Refund and Cancellation Policy

Refunds will be made (less \$50.00 processing fee) if written notice of withdrawal is received by August 25, 2006. No refunds will be granted for withdrawal after that date.

Interprofessional Continuing Education reserves the right to cancel or move this program if registration is insufficient. In the event of cancellation, a refund less a \$50 handling charge will be returned.

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Last Name First Name Initials	
Organization, Tribe or Nation Name	TUITION FEES:
Organization, Tribe or Nation Mailing Address  City Prov/State Postal Code  ( )	Pre-registration prior to August 31st, 2006 is strongly recommended to ensure you receive all conference materials. All rates are quoted in \$CAI and the tuition fee includes GST. Please use one registration form perperson.  The registration fee includes conference material, refreshment breaks, conference bag, banquet luncheon and a certificate of attendance. Pleas inform us of any dietary needs.
Email Address	Early Bird Rate, before July 21, 2006
Where did you hear about this conference?  Journal/Newsletter  Website Link/Search Received information by direct mailing Friend/Co-worker Other:	Full Monday - Wednesday program    \$495  Individual Rates   Monday, September 25, 2006 only   \$205   Tuesday, September 26, 2006 only   \$205   Wednesday, September 27, 2006 only   \$205   TOTAL PAYMENT   =
CONCURRENT SESSIONS:	
Please refer to the program for session descriptions  You MUST enter your 3 choices or YOU WILL NOT BE REGISTERED  1ST CHOICE 2ND CHOICE 3RD CHOICE Example: A3 A1 A5  Session A:  Session B:  Session C:	Rate after July 21, 2006 Full Monday - Wednesday program \$545  Individual Rates  Monday, September 25, 2006 only \$225 Tuesday, September 26, 2006 only \$225 Wednesday, September 27, 2006 only \$225  TOTAL PAYMENT =
Session D: Session E:	Student & Elder Rate (age 65 or over) \$250 (limited number of spots available)
<b>Healing Sessions:</b> Please indicate here if you are interested in attending any of the optional sessions Yes No	<b>Students &amp; Elders:</b> Available for the full program only, paid before Augus 31st, 2006 A copy of valid student photo ID or proof of age <u>must</u> be sent wit registration.
Method of Payment:  Charge by Phone/Fax: Local/Outside BC: (604) 822-6156 Toll free within BC: 1-877-328-7744 Register by Fax: (604) 822-4835  We do not accept American Express	If your organization is paying, please enter your purchase order and organization information below:  P.O. # Manager's Tel.#:  Name of Manager:  Name of Organization:
Credit Card Number Expiry Date	Mailing Address:  Payment by Cheque: Please make your cheque payable to the University of British Columbia and

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The University of British Columbia, Room 105 - 2194 Health Sciences Mall,

<sup>\*</sup>Our cancellation policy is described in the General Information section. Please read it carefully.