



“Sharing Our Journeys: Supporting Urban Aboriginal Children Their Families and Caregivers”

Workshop co-hosted by

**Urban Aboriginal Knowledge Network Atlantic Research Centre,
(UAKN Atlantic)
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Justice**

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AGENDA

9:00 - 9:15 Opening

1. Welcome (Chris Brooks)
2. Introductions & Agenda (Verlé Harrop & Hélène Albert)

9:15 – 10:00 - First Session – Community-driven Research (Hélène Albert)

1. Short history of the UAKN Atlantic Children in Care Working Group & resulting Case Study (Patsy McKinney, Kelly Driscoll, & Verlé Harrop)
2. Research projects emerging from the Working Group:
 - “*Urban Aboriginal families with children in care: Understanding the experiences and needs of parents living in Fredericton & Halifax*”. (Pam Glode-Desroches, Patsy McKinney, & Hélène Albert)
 - “*Let’s get it right: Creating a culturally appropriate training module and identifying local urban Aboriginal resources for non-Aboriginal caregivers of Aboriginal children in NB*” (Patsy McKinney, Anne Caverhill, Marilyn Dupré, & Elizabeth Blaney)

10:00 – 10:15 Nutrition Break

10:15 – 11:15 Second Session – Community-driven Approaches

(Verlé Harrop)

- Mi'kmaw Native Friendship Centre, Nova Scotia (Pam Glode-Desrochers)
- St. John's Native Friendship Centre, Newfoundland (Stacey House & Thea Adar Cammie)
- Prince Edward Island (Judy Clark, & Sharon O'Brien)
- Under One Sky Head Start & Friendship Centre, New Brunswick (Patsy McKinney)

11:15 - 12:00 Third Session -- Q&A/Facilitated Discussion

(Anthea Plummer)

12:00 – 12:30 Lunch***

12:30 – 1:30 Fourth Session -- Community-driven Prevention

(Verlé Harrop)

What would a community-driven prevention model look like in each of the four Atlantic Provinces? If we were to leverage existing hubs (Family Resource Centers, Early Childhood Centres, Friendship Centers), what programs and services would the hub offer and what infrastructure, human resources and financial support would they require? Who are the key partners? This will be a hands-on session.

1:30 – 1:45 Break

1:45 - 2:45 Fifth Session – Community-driven Prevention Models

The draft model for each province will be presented and discussed.

2:45 – 2:55 Closing Comments (Carla Gregan-Burns, Hélène Albert, & Patsy McKinney)

2:55 – 3:00 Next Steps (Verlé Harrop)

3:00 Closing (Miigam'agan)

*** A guest speaker may join us by SKYPE in which case the afternoon sessions will be titrated accordingly.

NOTE: This workshop is eligible for Continuing Professional Education Credits from the NB Law Society.