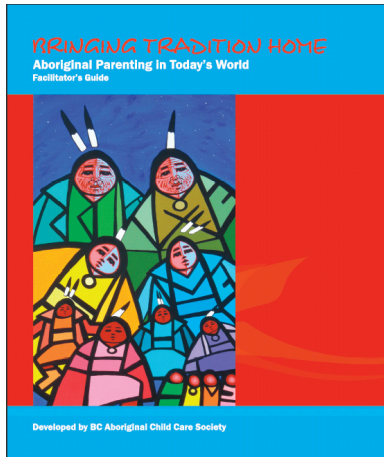




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Bringing Tradition Home: New Parenting Resource at BC Aboriginal Child Care Society

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WEST VANCOUVER – BC Aboriginal Child Care Society is very pleased to announce the arrival of our newest resource *Bringing Tradition Home: Aboriginal Parenting in Today's World*. It will soon be distributed to 140 Head Start sites across Canada. We want to make the resource available to other programs so we will be providing a Train the Trainer session at our annual conference on November 18, 2010.

The program has been developed as nine gatherings for parents of Aboriginal children; the first eight are based on traditional teachings and values and are to be facilitated within a comfortable learning environment. The final gathering is a celebration of the new skills learned and new relationships built during the program.

Bringing Tradition Home (BTH) follows the familiar format of participants meeting together with a facilitator to learn not only from the material in the program but also from each other through the sharing of parenting experiences. The most important aspect of this program is the contribution of local Elders and Knowledge Keepers who will be available to share teachings from their own community. We recognize that each community has unique teachings, language, and experiences that are important to its members and that a one size-fits-all program will not fill the needs of every community. Locating healthy teachers and mentors who truly want to work with parents is the key to a successful program. Our train the trainer session will help you to organize your gatherings for the greatest benefit of your participants.

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