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- Full Time Aboriginal Infant Development Consultant Needed at Spirit of the Children Society, New Westminister, BC – **NEW**
- Part Time Cultural Worker Needed at Spirit of the Children Society, New Westminister, BC – **NEW**
- Four Aboriginal Child/Youth Care Workers Needed at Aboriginal Education Dept, School District 36, Surrey BC – **NEW**
- Term Contract Position (25 hr/wk) for Licensed ECE Preschool Educator at Victoria Native Friendship Centre, Victoria BC – **NEW**
- Term Contract Position (20 hrs/wk) for Preschool Assistant at Victoria Native Friendship Centre, Victoria BC – **NEW**

- Temporary Full-Time Position for AIDP Consultant at Kla-how-eya Aboriginal Centre of SACS, Surrey, BC - **NEW**
- Full Time Team Leader at North Cariboo Aboriginal Family Program Society, Quesnel, BC - **NEW**
- Part-Time Child/Youth Program Coordinator at Helping Spirit Lodge Society, Vancouver, BC - **NEW**
- Part-Time Family Counsellor at Helping Spirit Lodge Society, Vancouver, BC - **NEW**
- Spirit Lodge Transition House Manager at Helping Spirit Lodge Society, Vancouver, BC - **NEW**
- On Call/Casual Transition House Support Worker at Helping Spirit Lodge Society, Vancouver BC - **NEW**
- Full-Time Early Childhood Education Instructor Needed at Northwest Community College, Terrace BC - **NEW**
- Part-Time ASCD Consultant Needed at the Northwest Aboriginal Supported Child Development Program in Hazelton, BC- ***NEW DEADLINE***
- Full-Time K4K5 Substitute Teacher (Maternity Leave) Needed for 2010/2011 School Year at Salteau First Nations, Chetwynd, BC - **NEW**
- Part-Time ECE Supervisor Needed at Tee Pee Tot Daycare, Lower Similkameen Indian Band, Cawston BC - **STILL OPEN**
- Full-Time Infant/Toddler Supervisor Needed at Tee Pee Tot Daycare, Lower Similkameen Indian Band, Cawston BC - **STILL OPEN**
- Full-Time Position for Infant & Toddler Early Childhood Educator at the Smuyuq'wa' Lelum Ladybug Lodge, Tsawwassen First Nation, BC - **STILL OPEN**

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ACCS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Summer Hours July 5- Sept 3, 2010

We are working summer hours 8:30 am – 4:30 pm starting July 5 to Sept 3, 2010. We will resume regular hours 9 am – 5 pm hours on Sept 7, 2010.

ACCS Membership

We'd be delighted for you to join us! You can join ACCS as an individual, centre or associate. ACCS provides members with a provincial forum to network and share ideas regarding Aboriginal child care and child development issues. Direct benefits and privileges of membership include:

- a voice in a professional Aboriginal organization dedicated to quality child care;
- an opportunity to shape and influence Aboriginal child care policy, research and practice, both provincially and nationally;
- free annual subscription to the Society's quarterly newsletter Caring for Our Children;
- Resource Library borrowing privileges, with access to more than 900 child-focused books, articles and videos, as well as ACCS rotating curriculum boxes;
- a discount rate on ACCS publications, research reports and manuals; and

- the ability to participate and vote on the business of the Society.

Membership Fees:

Individual membership	\$25/yr
Centre membership	\$100/yr
Associate membership	\$200/yr

[Click here](#) for a membership form in PDF to fax to us at (604) 913-9129 OR: [Click here](#) for a membership form in Word and email to library@acc-society.bc.ca.

CFOC Newsletter Electronic Version in PDF

To be more environmentally friendly, our *Caring for Our Children* newsletter is available in electronic format. **If you are receiving CFOC in hard copy and would prefer to receive it in PDF, please email david@acc-society.bc.ca.** Electronic versions of previous CFOC newsletters in PDF are downloadable at our new CFOC newsletter web page (see below). www.acc-society.bc.ca/files_new/newsletter.html

Job Posting Web Page Simplified

We have simplified the layout of our job posting web page at

www.acc-society.bc.ca/files_new/jobpostings.html

Click on the job title to download a PDF of the job posting details.

PROVINCIAL FIRST NATIONS ECD NEWS

****Attn: First Nations ECD Staff, Teachers & Educators - Remember to Give Feedback to First Nations ECD Framework Before July 30, 2010 ****

Please remember to give feedback via Survey Monkey to the First Nations ECD Council on the First Nations ECD Framework before July 30, 2010. To date there has only been twelve responses and we need a broad response from all First Nations in British Columbia.

Instructions:

1. Read the [information kit](#) that will allow you to provide meaningful input without having to work through the entire Framework and accompanying background paper.

The kit includes the following:

- Framework Summary
- A Backgrounder on the BC First Nations ECD Council
- Next Steps
- Survey
- Parent/Caregiver Handouts
 - A Services Checklist
 - Quick Facts
 - Next Steps

2. Give feedback via Survey Monkey at www.surveymonkey.com/s/YWWJSTF

ADVOCACY NEWS

First Call Launches No Child Labour Website

First Call recently launched a new website, <http://nochildlabour.org>, to draw attention to the BC government's unacceptable child labour laws.

A First Call report published last fall found a startling increase in the number of child work-place injury claims accepted by WorkSafeBC since the general work-start age was lowered to 12-years-old in late 2003.

After the report was published First Call representatives met with Minister of Labour Murray Coell to discuss its recommendations. While he seemed responsive, in a subsequent letter the Minister indicated he would not be taking further action.

We are asking for your support in demanding that the Minister of Labour take action on the recommendations in First Call's report, *What's Happening to Our Children?: A Look at Child Work-Related Injury Claims in BC Over the Past 10 Years* (<http://www.firstcallbc.org/pdfs/communities/4-injury%20report.pdf>).

Please visit <http://nochildlabour.org/add-your-voice/> and indicate your support in the comments field at the bottom of the page. On this page you'll also find a sample letter that you can send to Minister Coell, the Premier and your MLA. Please take action now to increase safety for BC's young workers!

For more information, please contact Adrina Perry, Administrative and Communications Coordinator at (604) 873-8437

Did you know? More than half of poor children in BC have at least one parent with full-time employment.

CAREER TRAINING/PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Aboriginal Statistics Training Course in Whitehorse, Yukon

Please be advised the Statistics Canada Aboriginal Statistical Training Program course ***Data Analysis: Turning Data into Stories*** will be offered in **Whitehorse, Yukon, August 10, 2010 - August 12, 2010.**

This course is offered at no cost to Aboriginal peoples or those who work directly within or for an Aboriginal community or organization. Participants are responsible for their own transportation, accommodations and meals costs.

Contact: Mikelle Sasakamoose, Advisor, Aboriginal Liaison Program
Mikelle.Sasakamoose@statcan.gc.ca

Canadian Red Cross First Aid Courses in Vancouver, BC

Babysitting in a Day is an interactive and fun course that teaches youth aged 11 to 15 years the business of babysitting. Learn the responsibilities of a babysitter, how to get along and care for babies, toddlers, preschoolers and school-aged children, and how to handle emergencies and provide first aid. Cost: \$55 (includes the Canadian Red Cross Babysitter's Manual & Babysitter's participation card). Course dates: **Wed. July 7; Tues. July 13; Wed. July 21; Thurs. July 29; Thurs. August 5; Tues. August 10; & Wed. August 18,** 9:30 am – 4:00 pm @ *St. Andrew's United Church*, 1044 St. Georges & 11th in North Vancouver. Information/registration: Please contact Sean Brennan at 604-985-0408 or email office@st-andrews-united.ca

Emergency Child Care First Aid & CPR/AED is a one-day course for parents and caregivers of children covering skills needed to recognize, prevent and respond to airway, breathing and circulation emergencies. The course covers first aid for respiratory and cardiac arrest, sudden medical emergencies, childhood illnesses, head and spine injuries, wound care and poisons. Courses: **Sat. July 24 & Sat. August 28,** 9:00 am – 5:00 pm @ *St. Stephen's United Church*, 7025 Granville & 54th in Vancouver. Cost: \$90 (includes

manual & certification). Information/registration: 604-669-2546, Ext. 2 or email susancowan@telus.net

Red Cross goes on the road this Summer! If you have 10 or more people who want to learn either Emergency Child Care or Emergency First Aid, we'll teach the course at your facility. And if you have 15 or more youth who want to become a Babysitter, we'll teach the Babysitting course on-site. For more information or to book your group, please contact Susan Cowan at 604-669-2546, Ext. 2 or by email at susancowan@telus.net

UPCOMING EVENTS

Pathways Aboriginal Centre's Healthy Families, Healthy Children Orientation Family Potluck July 20, 2010 in Richmond, BC

Richmond Youth Service Agency, Pathways Aboriginal Centre and Vancouver Coastal Health is pleased to announce a new program that will provide Aboriginal families living in Richmond with opportunities to participate in cultural activities geared towards improving and promoting health, cultural pride and knowledge of local health and wellness resources.

When: July 20, 2010 - Orientation Family Potluck from 5pm-7pm

Where: Pathways Aboriginal Centre located at 100-7900 Alderbridge Way, Richmond BC V6X 2A5

Cost: Free!

Who: Open to all ages of Aboriginal children and families/caregivers

Space is limited, so register early by calling Cara Lenoir at 604-276-7600 ext. 101 or send an email to cara.lenoir@rysa.bc.ca

Check our website at www.rysa.bc.ca for a full registration package and calendar.

34th Annual BC Elders Gathering July 13-15, 2010 in Salmon Arm, BC

When: July 13, 14 and 15, 2010

Where: Sunwave Centre, Salmon Arm, BC

Hosts: Adams Lake Indian Band
Secwepemc Nation

Adams Lake Indian and the Secwepemc Nation Band are looking forward to welcoming you to our traditional territories. A 2010 Planning Team has started the planning for this wonderful Gathering.

For more information please contact: Susan Matthew, Project Coordinator (250) 679-2247 or email smatthew@alib.ca

Please make cheques/money orders payable to Adams Lake Band and addressed Attention: Susan Matthew

For the past 34 years, First Nations Elders have met in distinct locations of British Columbia. The first Elders Gathering began in Sto: Lo Nation hosted by the Coqualeeza Elders. Frances Harne carved a totem pole, which was used as a record keeper; places and dates were inscribed at the base of the pole, recording each Gathering.

Elders Gatherings are a wonderful time for people to visit and exchange memories and knowledge, to create new friendships and to renew old ones. These Gatherings provide a chance to gain perspective on how other First Nations live.

The Basic purpose of the Gathering is the need for Elders throughout the province to have inter-social and community links that bind them together as a Nation. It allows them to intermingle with like-minded, like-aged individuals and their families, to reveal common grounds that strengthen those links.

It will offer the opportunity to interface with youth, which helps to mitigate the generation gap, and allows the younger generations to demonstrate respect, regard, and honour for their Elders.

Our Elders possess all the wisdom of the ages - knowledge and experiences that the younger generations need to guide them through life. It is very important that this event continues and that our Elders' legacy is passed on to each generation that follows. With the world we live in becoming increasingly modern by the minute, we need to provide the balance that comes from remembering the past though our Elders lives.

First Nations Leadership Conference July 14, 15 2010 in Edmonton Alberta

When: July 14, 15, 2010

Where: Edmonton Marriott at River Cree Resort & Casino, Edmonton Alberta

Topics of Discussion

- Governance Seminar
- Aboriginal Suicide Prevention
- Law of the Land/Karma Seminar
- Life Skills and Motivational Seminar
- Community Economic Development Strategic Planning Seminar

Registration \$700 after July 1st, per person

Contact: Lou Moodie 1-204-484-2314 or 1-204-679-9040 or email
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 Fax 1-204-480-4810

Additional contact please contact Leonard: 1-204-307-0847

3rd Biennial International Conference on Brain Development & Learning: Making Sense of the Science July 16-20, 2010, Hyatt Hotel, Vancouver, BC

When: June 16-20, 2010

Where: Hyatt Hotel, Vancouver BC

Description: This interdisciplinary conference is devoted to enriching & improving the lives of children by making cutting-edge research in neuroscience & child development available, relevant, & understandable to educators, parents, doctors, social workers, & all who care about children.

Continuing Education Credits available for US and Canada

Information and Registration: <http://www.interprofessional.ubc.ca/bdl.html>

or Call toll free in Canada or the US: **1-877-328-7744** from Overseas: 001-604-822-6156

Email: ipconf@interchange.ubc.ca

JOB POSTINGS

(also please visit www.acc-society.bc.ca/files_new/jobpostings.html)

PLEASE CLICK ON JOB TITLE FOR MORE INFORMATION

Job Title: [Head Start Coordinator](#) - *NEW*

Organization: Snc'c'amala?tn Early Childhood Education Centre

Band: Okanagan Indian Band

City: Vernon, BC

Posted on: July 7, 2010 | Closes on: July 23, 2010 at 12 noon

Job Title: [ECD Teacher](#) - *NEW*

Organization: Spirit of the Children Society, New Westminster, BC

Posted on: July 7, 2010 | Closes on: July 22, 2010 at 4 pm

Job Title: [Aboriginal Infant Development Consultant](#) - *NEW*

Organization: Spirit of the Children Society, New Westminster, BC

Posted on: July 7, 2010 | Closes on: July 22, 2010 at 4 pm

Job Title: [Cultural Worker](#) - *NEW*

Organization: Spirit of the Children Society, New Westminster, BC

Posted on: July 7, 2010 | Closes on: July 22, 2010 at 4 pm

Job Title: [Aboriginal Child/Youth Care Workers \(Four Positions\)](#) - *NEW*

Organization: Aboriginal Education Department, School District No. 36, Surrey BC

Closes on: July 23, 2010 | Posted on: July 6, 2010

Job Title: [ECE Preschool Educator](#) - *NEW*

Organization: Victoria Native Friendship Centre

Closes on: July 9, 2010 | Posted on: July 1, 2010

Job Title: [Preschool Assistant](#) - *NEW*

Organization: Victoria Native Friendship Centre

Closes on: July 9, 2010 | Posted on: July 1, 2010

Job Title: [Aboriginal Infant Development Consultant](#) - *NEW*

Organization: Kla-how-eya Aboriginal Centre of SACS

Closes on: July 16, 2010 | Posted on: July 1, 2010

Job Title: [Team Leader](#) - *NEW*

Organization: North Cariboo Aboriginal Family Program Society, Quesnel BC

Closes on: July 30, 2010 | Posted on: July 1, 2010

Job Title: [Child/Youth Program Coordinator](#) - *NEW*

Organization: Helping Spirit Lodge, Vancouver, BC

Closing Date: Until position is filled | Posted on: July 1, 2010

Job Title: **Family Counsellor** - *NEW*
Organization: Helping Spirit Lodge, Vancouver BC
Closing Date: Until position is filled | Posted on: July 1, 2010

Job Title: **Spirit Lodge Transition House Manager** - *NEW*
Organization: Helping Spirit Lodge, Vancouver BC
Closing Date: Until position is filled | Posted on: July 1, 2010

Job Title: **On Call/Casual Transition House Support Worker** - *NEW*
Organization: Helping Spirit Lodge
City: Vancouver, BC
Closing Date: Until position is filled | Posted on: July 1, 2010

Job Title: **Early Childhood Education Instructor (10.081C)**
Organization: Northwest Community College, Terrace, BC
Closing Date: Until position is filled | Posted on: June 14, 2010

Job Title: **Aboriginal Supported Child Development Consultant**
Organization: Northwest Aboriginal Supported Child Development Program, New Hazelton, BC
Closing on: July 9, 2010 no later than 3 pm

Job Title: **K4K5 Teacher (Maternity Leave)** - *STILL OPEN*
Organization: Muskoti Learning Centre, Moberly Lake, BC
First Nation: Salteau First Nation
Closing date: Until position is filled | Posted on: April 15, 2010

Job Title: **ECE Supervisor** -*STILL OPEN*
Organization: Tee Pee Tot Daycare, Cawston BC
Band: Lower Similkameen Indian Band
Closing date: Until position is filled | Posted on: January 19, 2010

Job Title: **Infant/Toddler Supervisor** -*STILL OPEN*
Organization: Tee Pee Tot Daycare, Cawston BC
Band: Lower Similkameen Indian Band
Closing date: Until position is filled | Posted on: January 19, 2010

Job Title: **Infant/Toddler Supervisor** -*STILL OPEN*
Organization: Smuyuq'wa' Lelum (Ladybug Lodge), Tsawwassen, BC
First Nation: Tsawwassen First Nation
Closing date: Until position is filled | Posted on: January 19, 2010

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Aboriginal ECE Job Posting Service

Whether you are looking for work in the Aboriginal ECE field or looking for qualified professionals to work in your Aboriginal early childhood education program, we can help. Send your Aboriginal ECE job postings to david@acc-society.bc.ca and we can spread the news through our enews and post them on our website www.acc-society.bc.ca free of charge. Be sure to check our Job Postings page regularly!

Format to post on our website: Please send us the posting in both Word and PDF. Please use **Verdana** font size 10 and have the posting structured as follows:

In honour of the first anniversary of the passing of Lenora Pritchard (1967-2009),

Aboriginal Child Care Advisor for BC Aboriginal Child Care Society.

Please consider donating to the education Trust Fund for Lenora's daughter Alisa

www.acc-society.bc.ca/files_new/whatnew.html