



BC Aboriginal  
Child Care Society

## *Our Languages, Our Teachings, Our Ways*

### CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS

The BC Aboriginal Child Care Society (BCACCS) invites you to submit workshop proposals for our 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Provincial Training Conference taking place on October 25-27, 2019 at the Sheraton Hotel (7551 Westminister Highway, Richmond, BC).

**THE DEADLINE TO SUBMIT IS 11:59 PM, JUNE 24, 2019**

At BCACCS, a primary focus of our training and professional development events is to translate our culturally rich traditions into effective Indigenous early learning and child care (IELCC) programs and services. We seek to promote the capacity of ECE professionals to design and deliver programs and services that are immersed in our cultures and communities. We believe that community involvement, leadership, and support are central to the healthy, holistic development of Aboriginal children. Priority will be given to workshop proposals that reflect these values and relate to our conference theme.

#### **2019 CONFERENCE THEME**

**TITLE:** *Our Languages, Our Teachings, Our Ways*

The United Nations declared 2019 The Year of Indigenous Languages (IY2019). This not only benefits the people who speak these languages, but also helps others to appreciate the important contribution they make to our world's rich cultural diversity. This year our conference theme celebrates the crucial role Indigenous Languages have as a tool for knowledge sharing, a repository for a child's identity, cultural history, traditions and memory.

In Indigenous early childhood settings, we recognise the value of immersing children in culture and language. Heritage Languages shape our connection to land, culture, food, teaching, and learning and can cultivate and nurture cultural identity, a sense of belonging, well-being and spiritual fulfillment. Early childhood educators support children and families to explore, strengthen, recover, and reclaim ancestral values and knowledges encoded in language. Workshops this year will inspire educators to explore ways Indigenous Languages support culturally relevant, spiritually enriching Indigenous early learning and child care programs and weave Indigenous Knowledges into everyday practice.

#### **CONFERENCE DELEGATES**

Early Childhood Educators • Program Coordinators • Family Involvement Workers • Infant Development Consultants • Supported Child Care Consultants • Early Interventionists • Researchers • Policy Makers

Delegates look for workshops that:

- Inspire the creation of enriched learning opportunities for young children,
- Promote strategies for helping children feel comfortable and safe in their environments,
- Share cultural activities that enhance the well-being of Indigenous children and their families, and
- Assist in the leadership, management, delivery or creation of programs.



Workshops should encourage participants to create environments and curricula in their ECD programs to achieve these goals. Suggested workshop themes include: • Language and Culture • Indigenous Knowledge • Leadership and Management • Responsive Curriculum • Traditional Foods • Storytelling • Educator and Parent Relationship • Two-spirit and gender fluid • The Importance of Play • Supporting Children with Special Rights • Technology • Funding • Educator Self-care • Supporting Positive Behaviour • Connection to the Land • Program Space Design

*Delegates always value hands on program planning experience, and practical tools, teachings, and resources to take back to their programs.*

### **CRITERIA**

Workshop sessions should be:

- 1.5-2 hours (short) OR 3-4 hours (medium) OR 5 hours (full day)
- designed for an adult audience and allow for interaction and questions;
- designed for ECD professionals working with any one or more of the following age groups: infant/toddler (0-3 years), preschool (3 – 5 years) or primary school-age children (5 – 8 years); and
- suited for a minimum of 25 delegates (larger workshops are encouraged).

*Workshop proposals will be reviewed and selected based on appropriateness and consistency with the conference theme, timeliness of session topic, creativity of approach, and expertise of presenters.*

### **REMUNERATION**

The lead presenter will get paid out at a rate of \$90.00 an hour. Free attendance to workshops, refreshments, and lunch are provided at conference on the day you present.

Cheques will be made out to the lead presenter. Presenters are responsible for all costs of their session unless provisions are made with the Conference Coordinator or Conference Director and agreed to in terms of the presenter contract. Due to budgetary considerations, it is not possible to offer remuneration or an honorarium or to waive normal registration fees for additional presenters. Additional presenters will be expected to register and pay appropriate conference registration fees if they wish to attend other workshops. Presenters are responsible for all costs of their session. We gratefully appreciate community service support.

If you do not require an honorarium; please indicate that you decline payment by checking the box below.

No, honorarium required

### **TRAVEL**

BCACCS compensates for reasonable travel and accommodation costs. The Conference Coordinator will contact you and review this with you if your proposal is selected.

***Selection of presenters and presentations is at the sole discretion  
of the BCACCS Conference Committee.***



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**Successful applicants will be notified on or before July 12, 2019.**



Please respond to **all areas of the form**, and submit it by **11:59 PM, JUNE 24, 2019**  
via e-mail to [coordinator@acc-society.bc.ca](mailto:coordinator@acc-society.bc.ca) or fax 604-913-9129. Thank you!

1. Lead Presenter Name	2. Lead Presenter Title	3. Lead Presenter Organization
4. Daytime Telephone	5. Email	
6. Mailing address (suite, street, city, province, postal code)		
7. Additional Presenters Name	8. Additional Presenters Professional Title	9. Additional Presenters Organization
10. Short Bio of all presenters for insertion in the brochure (30 words or less each)		
<p>11. Workshop Description. Please provide:</p> <p>A) Title of workshop</p> <p>B) Short Description — maximum 75 words for insertion in the brochure</p> <p>C) <input type="checkbox"/> Sensitivity level: Please check the to let us know if your workshop has sensitive content and would benefit from the support of an Elder. If your workshop is selected, we will contact you to develop a participation support plan.</p>		



<b>12. Maximum number of participants</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> 25	<input type="checkbox"/> 30	<input type="checkbox"/> 40	<input type="checkbox"/> 50 +
<b>13. Intended target audience</b> <i>(please check all that apply)</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Novice (0-1yr)	<input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate (3-5yrs)	<input type="checkbox"/> Experienced (10+ yrs)	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Preschool age (3-5)	<input type="checkbox"/> Infant/Toddler (0-3yrs)	<input type="checkbox"/> Special Needs/Rights	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Administrators	<input type="checkbox"/> Adult Educators/Trainers		
<b>14. Preferred presentation day &amp; time</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> 1.5-2 hours (short) <input type="checkbox"/> 3-4 hours (medium) <input type="checkbox"/> 5 hours (full day)			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Friday-Conference Day 1			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Saturday-Conference Day 2			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Sunday Conference Day 3			
	<input type="checkbox"/> Any day			
<input type="checkbox"/> Must be on a specific day, please specify:				
<b>15. Equipment required:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Display table(s) - quantity _____		<input type="checkbox"/> Flipchart/markers	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Laptop	<input type="checkbox"/> MAC compatible	<input type="checkbox"/> Projection Screen	<input type="checkbox"/> Data Projector <input type="checkbox"/> Mike
Due to budget constraints, the number of laptops and data projectors that we can supply is limited in quantity. <i>Presenters are encouraged to bring their own laptop, data projector.</i>				
<b>16. Preferred Room Setup</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/> Circle or Semi-circle with chairs			<input type="checkbox"/> Rounds 	
<input type="checkbox"/> Special, please describe				
<b>17.</b> Please indicate if the presenter(s) will stay for lunch so we can prepare the appropriate numbers for the hotel.				
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, I will be attending lunch		<input type="checkbox"/> No, I will not be attending lunch		
<b>18.</b> Do you have any special dietary needs? <input type="checkbox"/> Gluten Free <input type="checkbox"/> Vegan <input type="checkbox"/> Vegetarian <input type="checkbox"/> Allergies, please describe.				
Other, please describe.				

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