

Concurrent Session 2C Western Cree Tribal Council

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Practicing Kiskinohâmakewin

3:00-4:30 October 24, 2022

For nêhiyaw (Cree) children and families, the framework for creating and maintaining culturally-based lifelong connections is held within the language, protocols, ceremony, and teachings of their pre-contact societies.

Our intent is to provide a resource for service providers, indigenous and non-indigenous, who work with nêhiyaw children, families, and communities, to use in their work as miyo otôtemihtohiwew otatoskew (good relationship workers). This is achieved by exploring how relationship mapping can work to restore individual, family and community health and well-being by restoring the sacred roles and responsibilities associated with child raising.

 Join

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Brittiany Sunshine, MSW, RSW ...

Anthony L.R. Oliver, JD ...

Questions, Comments and Discussion ...



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Brittiany Sunshine is the Director of Child, Youth & Family Enhancement at Western Cree Tribal Council, which serves the communities of Duncan's First Nation, Horse Lake First Nation and Sturgeon Lake Cree Nation.

A former Alberta Sheriff and Crown Prosecutor, Anthony is the principal of Oliver Litigation, a boutique law firm in Amiskwacyi Waskahikan (Beaver Hills House/Edmonton).

Anthony dedicates his legal practice to advocating, primarily, for Nêhiyaw (Cree) clients, whose kahkiyaw niwâhkômâkanitik (all my relations) worldview and community specific knowledge, ceremonies, protocols and language are again being used to create harmony and growth, as his Cree and European ancestors experienced at the Great Lakes region of Turtle Island.

Anthony's non-legal work includes his service to the public with the Alberta Criminal Justice Association.

Anthony's focus with the ACJA is for greater understanding and inclusion of Indigenous Legal Traditions in the Criminal Justice System, including elder knowledge, to reduce recidivism and increase healing as means of restoring human and community potential.

Each year Anthony helps organize the Alberta Courts' Indigenous Legal Career Day, connecting Indigenous students from schools across Treaty 6, 7 and 8 territories with miyo otôtemihtohiwew otatoskew (good relationship workers), including judges, lawyers, police, and social workers, whose messages about how their careers developed, inspires Indigenous youth to see room and need for them to join the cause.