

THE FEDERATION'S JUNE 2018 CONFERENCE

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Penticton Lakeside Resort & Conference Centre

21 Lakeshore Drive West Penticton, BC



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CONFERENCE AGENDA

7:30–8:30	<i>Registration and Breakfast</i>
8:30–9:00	Conference Opening Acknowledgement of Traditional Territories
9:00–10:00	Matthew Brodie , Development Manager Development and Asset Strategies, BC Housing
10:00–10:30	<i>Refreshment Break</i>
10:30–11:30	The Honourable Katrine Conroy Minister of Child and Family Development
11:30–12:00	Carolyn Kamper , Assistant Deputy Minister Catherine Talbott , Executive Director, Strategic Priorities Ministry of Children and Family Development
12:00–12:30	National Aboriginal Day Celebration & Reconciliation Book Club Launch with Monique Gray Smith
12:30–1:30	<i>Lunch Break</i>
1:30–2:15	Jay Chalke , Ombudsperson Office of the Ombudsperson, British Columbia
2:15–2:30	<i>Refreshment Break</i>
2:30–3:30	Isobel Mackenzie , Seniors Advocate Office of the Seniors Advocate, British Columbia
3:30–4:30	Steve Mathias , Executive Director, Foundry Pamela Liversidge , Policy and Partnerships Director, Foundry Tanya Behardien , Executive Director, OneSky Community Resources
4:30	Conference Close
4:30–7:00	<i>Networking Reception hosted by Schmunk, Gatt, Smith & Associates</i>

Be sure to check out the Silent Auction taking place during the conference. All proceeds go towards The Federation's Youth Education Bursary which supports BC's youth in care pursuing post-secondary studies in the social services.

SPEAKERS



Matthew Brodie
Development Manager, BC Housing

BC Housing's Development and Asset Strategies (DAS) branch works closely with community partners in the BC Non Profit Housing sector, including Society housing providers, builders, developers and municipalities in all regions of British Columbia.

DAS Development Managers actively engage with our community partners to identify and support the creation of new units of affordable housing for low and moderate income individuals and families, seniors, persons with disability, women and children, indigenous communities, homeless and persons at risk of homelessness, and mental health clients.

The DAS branch together with Regional Operations offices across BC support and administer a large number of programs including new funding initiatives from federal and provincial governments.



Katrine Conroy
Minister of Children and Family Development

Katrine has enjoyed careers as one of BC's first female power engineers, an early-childhood educator, administrator and college instructor, and has run a small-business.

She has also served her community as co-chair of the Castlegar and District Social Planning Council, treasurer of the Regional District of Central Kootenay Community Futures Board, and founding Board Member of the Community Social Services Employers Association.

Since 2005, she has been Kootenay West's MLA.

Katrine lives with her husband Ed in Pass Creek, where they run a ranch and breed purebred Polled Hereford cattle. Together, they have raised four children and have nine grandchildren.

SPEAKERS



Carolyn Kamper
Assistant Deputy Minister, Strategic Priorities Division, MCFD

Carolyn started her career in the provincial government in 2001 as Senior Advisor in the Crown Agencies Secretariat, Office of the Premier and since then has held roles with progressively increasing responsibility and scope in a variety of sectors. In May 2011, Carolyn joined the Ministry of Social Development as Executive Director of Engagement, Partnerships, and Strategic Initiatives. In 2013, Carolyn joined MCFD and over the years expanded her Executive Director role to include Strategic Planning and Reporting, Project Management Office, Lean BC, Corporate Communications and Executive Operations. As of March 2017, Carolyn brings her experience and leadership into her role as Assistant Deputy Minister, Strategic Priorities Division.

In Carolyn's spare time she enjoys travelling, spending time with family and friends and her rambunctious Australian Labradoodles, Jack and Winnie.



Catherine Talbott
Acting Executive Director, Strategic Initiatives Branch, MCFD

Catherine Talbott has spent 23 years in the social services sector and has served in multiple capacities including as a Board Member, Director and Executive Director. Catherine is the Founder and the former Executive Director of NOW Canada, a multi service agency that works with sexually exploited female youth and homeless women and children. Catherine has worked on and off reserve with First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples and she spent seven years in the downtown Eastside of Vancouver leading the BC Housing team that build the residential services program for 1400 units of housing. Catherine has sat on multiple boards and she has been a government advisor on both provincial and federal initiatives.



Monique Gray Smith
Author, *Speaking Our Truth*

Monique Gray Smith is a mixed-heritage woman of Cree, Lakota and Scottish ancestry and a proud mom of twins. Monique is an accomplished consultant, writer and international speaker. Her first novel, *Tilly: A Story of Hope and Resilience*, won the 2014 Burt Award for First Nations, Métis and Inuit Literature. Monique and her family are blessed to live on Lekwungen territory in Victoria, British Columbia.

SPEAKERS



Jay Chalke
Ombudsperson, Province of British Columbia

Appointed as Ombudsperson in July 2015, Jay Chalke has an extensive background in public sector leadership, independence and collaboration.

From 2011 to 2015 Jay led the Justice Services Branch of the Ministry of Justice and was responsible for delivering reforms to justice services and fostering dialogue and collaboration across the justice system.

Prior to his appointment with the Ministry of Justice, Jay was the Public Guardian and Trustee from 2000 to 2011. During this time, he was instrumental in implementing legislative reforms as well as changes to modernize service delivery, improve collaboration and enhance public accountability.

Earlier in his career, Jay held a variety of public sector positions in British Columbia, Ontario and New Brunswick.



Isobel Mackenzie
Seniors Advocate, Province of British Columbia

Isobel has over 20 years' experience working with seniors in home care, licensed care, community services and volunteer services. Isobel led BC's largest not-for-profit agency, serving over 6000 seniors annually. In this work Isobel led the pioneering of a new model of dementia care that has become a national best practice. She led the first safety accreditation for homecare workers, among many other accomplishments. Isobel has been widely recognized for her work and was named BC CEO of the Year for the Not-for-Profit Sector and nominated as a Provincial Health Care Hero.

Prior to her appointment as the Seniors Advocate, Isobel served on a number of national and provincial boards and commissions including the BC Medical Services Commission, the Canadian Homecare Association, BC Care Providers, BC Care Aide and Community Health Worker Registry, and the Capital Regional District Housing Corporation.

Isobel received both her undergraduate and graduate degrees from the University of Victoria and has a Certificate in Health Care Leadership from the University of Toronto. Isobel lives in Victoria.

SPEAKERS



Steve Mathias
Executive Director, Foundry

Steve is a child and adolescent psychiatrist who completed fellowships in addictions and concurrent disorders. He has worked at BC Children's Hospital (Provincial Concurrent Disorders), the Maples (Crossroads and Bifrost) and St. Paul's Hospital (Inner City Youth Program and Granville Youth Health Centre). He has also provided outreach for MCFD sites in Prince Rupert, Kamloops, Penticton and Quesnel.



Pamela Liversidge
Director, Policy and Partnerships, Foundry

Pam brings 18 years of strategic level policy experience within the social sector. Prior to joining the Foundry team, Pam worked in the provincial government to develop province-wide strategies in Aboriginal housing, child welfare, physician compensation and mental health and substance use. Pam enjoys working with diverse stakeholders to address 'wicked problems', and is excited about transforming systems to improve individual health outcomes. Pam started her career as a youth addictions worker in the community of Surrey.



Tanya Behardien
Executive Director, OneSky Community Resources

Tanya has spent the past 30+ years working in BC's community social services sector within a variety of settings including: community living; early childhood; clinical family therapy and support, harm reduction, youth services, senior services, housing, and community development. She has held a variety of positions at frontline, management, executive leadership, and board levels.

Tanya sits as a board member on the provincial CEO network and has served as a member/advisor to multiple provincial and regional committees including the Vancouver Foundation's Child Youth and Family Advisory Committee, Community Social Services Employers Association committee work, BC's Child and Youth Mental Health Collaborative, and the Foundry provincial network. Locally, Tanya is currently leading multiple efforts including: establishing a Foundry Centre in Penticton for integrated mental health supports for young people, partnering with the City of Penticton for low income housing, and co-leading a cross-sectoral collaboration with family physicians and the health authority towards team based primary care for people with severe mental health and addictions issues.

NATIONAL ABORIGINAL DAY

National Aboriginal Day (now known as National Indigenous Peoples Day) was announced in 1996 by then Governor General of Canada, Roméo LeBlanc, and takes place every year on June 21.

National Indigenous Peoples Day is a opportunity to become better acquainted with the cultural diversity of First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples, to discover the unique accomplishments of Indigenous peoples, and to celebrate their significant contribution to Canadian society.

This year, The Federation is celebrating National Aboriginal Day by launching a reconciliation-focused book club with special guest author Monique Gray Smith. (See below for more.)

RECONCILIATION BOOK CLUB

The Reconciliation Book Club is a new initiative inspired by The Federation's Reconciliation Action Group and other participants of the 2018 Social Policy Forum. Their goal was to find new ways for Federation members to come together to talk about this important work and to create new opportunities for learning and dialogue related to reconciliation. Visit: fcssbc.ca/bookclub

The book club will meet every other month and all staff from Federation member organizations are invited to participate. Join colleagues from across BC to ask questions, to share knowledge, to address bias and assumptions, and to inspire personal action in support of reconciliation. Consider joining the book club as part of your own personal journey toward reconciliation.

The following books will be discussed during the first five meetings of the Reconciliation Book Club. Each was recommended by the members of The Federation's Reconciliation Action Group.

September 2018:	<i>Speaking Our Truth</i> by Monique Gray Smith
November 2018:	<i>Indian Horse</i> by Richard Wagamese
January 2019:	<i>Seven Fallen Feathers</i> by Tanya Talaga
March 2019:	<i>Indigenous Writes</i> by Chelsea Vowel
May 2019:	<i>Son of a Trickster</i> by Eden Robinson

Publisher Recognition

The Federation would like to thank the following publishers who have donated books and/or offered discounts in support of the Reconciliation Book Club.



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