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Lessons Learned and Death Registry Community Engagement Projects Independent Assessment Process (IAP) Information Sessions to Health Supports

Background

March 2018, the National Centre for Truth and Reconciliation (NCTR) received funding from Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) to conduct two projects. The first, a lessons learned exercise on the Indian Residential School Settlement Agreement (IRSSA). Second, the continuation on the development of a register related to children who died or went missing while under the responsibility of Indian residential school authorities. The death registry is a continuation of the work started during the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's mandate.

The third project is the IAP Notice Program where 8 information sessions will be held for Health Supports across Canada. This is in response to the 2018 Supreme Court's decision on the destruction of survivor's IAP records. Survivors have an opportunity to choose one of 4 options regarding their IAP records.

Next Steps

During the fall of 2018, 14 trauma informed and culturally sensitive community engagements are planned for across Canada to speak with First Nations, Métis, and Inuit communities related to the two projects. The NCTR would like to collect narratives and information from Survivors and their families, and other stakeholders on the successes and challenges of the IRSSA and on the continued advancement of the death register.

NCTR project staff will contact and connect with IRS Resolution Health Supports in each region across Canada where the community visits will be hosted. The request will be to provide health supports at each community engagement.

Important Considerations

NCTR respects the sacredness of sharing narratives and the information that will be collected at these 14 community engagements and that the process may trigger sensitive personal memories and issues for Indigenous peoples specifically survivors and their families. It is, therefore, of most importance to have Indian Residential School Resolution Health Support Workers present to provide support to all in attendance during and after each community visit.

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