Indigenous Child and Family Service Agency



Indigenous Child & Family Service Agencies



PHOENITIC PRONUNCIATION GUIDE (approximate)

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Scw'exmx SH - TWAH - cum

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Ayas Men Men- EYE - ESS - men - men

Kwumut Lelum- KWAH - mutt - LAY - lum

Denisiqi- Denise-a-ki

Carrier Sekani- Carrier - Sek - AN - EE

K'wak'walat'si-kwa-kwa-lawt-see

Nisga'a-Niss - GAA

Gitxsan-GIT - san

Heiltsuk Kaxla-HAIL - tsuk KACK - la

Ktunaxa-Kinbasket- TOO - nah - HA KIN - basket

Nil/tu'o-Nee - TOO - ah

Secwepemc-SECK - WEP - um

Nezul Be Huneyeh-Nay - ZOOL - Bay - HOON -a - Yay

Fully delegated Indigenous Child & Family Service Agencies (C6)

Fraser Valley Aboriginal Child & Family Services (Xyólheméylh)

Website

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Fraser Valley Aboriginal Child & Family Services is the largest ICFSA in the province. Providing support to 17 First Nations Communities and as well as First Nations and Inuit families living in urban centres, also known as, lats'ó:lmexw (away from home) families. Youth and families in urban communities account for 85 per cent of the work. Operating with offices located in Abbotsford, Agassiz, Chilliwack (head office), Langley, Mission, and Surrey in addition to sub offices in the following Indigenous Communities: Chowéthel, Xwchi:yó:m, Leq'a:mel, Sxwoyehá:lá, Shxwhá:y, and Ch'iyáqtel First Nations. FVACSS goal is to provide quality service to all 17 Sto: lo member Communities. In addition to delegated work with their communities FVACFSS hosts youth drop-ins, family drop-ins, wellness workshops, community events and more.

Executive Director: Rhea Del Vicchio
Director of Operations: Laura-Dawn Wilkin

Team Leaders:

FDR Chilliwack: Maggie-Jane Maxwell

Stolo East: Deb Young

Family Service 0-12 Langley/Mission:

Desiree Schellenberg

Resources East: Brittany Epp

Guardianship 13-19: Melissa Celella Guardianship 0-12: Maria Zasada

Family Service 13-19: Rosey Lockwood: **Family Service 0-12 Abbotsford:** Christie

Adamus

Family Service 0-12 Chilliwack: Acting TL

Rosey Lockwood

Resources West: Elly Janik

FDR Langley/Abby/Mission: Shawna

Pearson

Screening: Mindi Moren
Sto:lo West: Lisa Florence
Post Majority: Terri Brunelle

Family Strengthening (Family Cultural Connection Workers/Collaborative

Practice): Olesea Rotaru

Family Strengthening (Family

Enhancement Workers): Tamara Mitchell **Surrey Family Strengthening Team: Sara**

Pickering

Finance Manager: Krista Sidhu



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Knucwentwecw Child & Family Services



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Provides services to the three member First Nations of the T'exelcemc, Williams Lake First Nation (WLFN), Canim Lake, and Soda Creek. Knucwentwecw holds different workshops, the healthy care pregnancy program, as well as cultural circles with activities like beading, mask carving, music and mingling.

Executive Director: Arlene Adie Team Leader: Alison Barr



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Ktunaxa-Kinbasket Child & Family Services

Website

Facebook



KKCFS a non-profit Delegated Aboriginal Agency delivering services through the following key programs areas: Intake and Child Protection, Guardianship and Family Delegated Services, Kinship and Residential Care, Aboriginal Family Support Services, Reconnection and Cultural Support, and Aboriginal Youth Services. Additional offices are located Cranbook, Creston and Windemere. Ktunaxa-Kinbasket holds events such as Pink Shirt Day, Ribbon Skirt/Shirt Making, Youth Summits, and Community Gatherings to share a meal and create a vision for future services. As well there is the Ktunaxa phrase of the day.

Director of Delegated Family Services Danette Fritz Director of Child & Youth Services Julie Birdstone Team Leader (Intake) **Iennifer Schmidt**

Guardian Family Support Elliot Ross

Cacheton Goddard **Quality Assurance**

Team Leader Resource Lisa Andrews Acting Team Leader Nicole Boon



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Kw'umut Lelum Child & Family Services



In 2018, Kw'umut Lelum expanded services to include Member Nation families living "off-reserve" in the regional districts of Nanaimo and Parksville (Duncan would follow in 2020), and finally being able to support the people of their nine Member Nations regardless of where they reside. Despite the service expansion, and taking on new families previously served by MCFD, KL continued to show a trend of preventing children from coming into care and keeping them with their families and communities. Kw'umut Lelum holds a variety of activities to strengthen family and community bonds and a whole lot of physical activities; self-defence/boxing, circuit workouts, cross-fit, virtual golf, swimming, Zumba, etc.

Executive Director William Yoachim Prevention Services Manager Rikki Wylie Practice Manager Terri Yoachim Nicole Charlie Team Leader (Child Safety) Team Leader (Child Safety) Sarah Thorne Guardianship Team Leader Crystal Adams Post Majority Team Leader Cherie White Resources Team Leader Patricia Thomas Tunisha Baines Kinship Team Leader



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Lalum'utul Smun'eem Child & Family Services

Website Child Welfare Facebook



Duncan, B.C., Quw'utsun Territory – Cowichan Tribes With 5,300+ members, is the largest single First Nation Band in British Columbia. Last year the Laws of the Cowichan People for Families & Children was ratified, a milestone! Carnival Night. Community Engagement BBQ and staff collect coats and backpacks for kids.

Acting Executive Director Acting Associate Director Operations Manager Child Safety Team Leader Intake Manager Addie Price Patricia Thomas Tami Fuson Kristin Ronse Amber Upshaw



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Lii Michif Otipemisiwak Family & Community Services

Website

Facebook



Serving Métis families in the Kamloops area providing Indigenous Supported Child Development and Indigenous Infant Development. These programs are designed to help parents, service providers and family members provide the best possible start for their Métis children. Child and youth mental health, Prevention Services Program is delivered in a manner consistent with our traditional Michif values, Michif Cultural Services Program is committed to providing opportunities for our children and youth, particularly those placed with a caregiver to develop positive connections to their families, community, and cultural identity as Métis People. In October 2017, Lii Michif Otipemisiwak Family and Community Services became the second delegated Métis child and family services agency in the province of British Columbia. LMO holds Michif Elder and family dinners. Conducts surveys to learn the community's perspective on youth needs and services. Events for kids to learn jigging, singing and Métis culture.

Executive Director
Delegated Resource Manager
Team Leader (CYMH)
Team Leader (Family Support)
Team Leader Child Safety

Colleen Lucier Reshie Moss Melissa Chalmers Lexa Smerdal Jennifer Friesen



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Métis Family Services

Website



Facebook

Métis Family Services provides child safety and family support services to Métis children and families living in the Surrey, Delta, White Rock, Ladner area; as well as guardianship, adoption, and resources services to Métis children and youth placed in foster homes in the Greater Vancouver region. Métis Family Services holds monthly Métis Family Nights with food, music, and entertainment. There is the Circle of Security Parenting Program to strengthen child and caregiver connections. Youth drum making. Cooking for Kids where parents and their young children can learn to cook recipes such as beef chili, butternut squash lasagna and three sisters' stew.

Executive Director Adam Calvert Director of Practice & Programs Catherine Caldwell Director of Practice/Programs **Juan Franco Martinez** Team Leader Family Service Tricia Kaethler Team Leader Nicole Nelson Team Leader Resource Jacklyn Evers Team Leader Joshua Cheng Team Leader Haleena Gill Team Leader (Guardianship) Aura Masi



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Nisga'a Child & Family Services



NCFS provides support services for families, which promote sound parenting practices and respite care. Voluntary Care Agreements allow parents to place their children in a safe, approved home during medical treatment or training. Special Needs Agreements ensure the safe care of children with special needs. NCFS approves and provides ongoing support payments to adults who provide foster care for Nisga'a children in Nisga'a Family Care Homes. The Nisga'a Lisims government keeps its citizens up to date on employment and education opportunities, as well as weddings, anniversaries, graduations, and memorials, etc., in addition to celebrations such as the Salmon Return or Hobiyee, the Nisga'a New Year is celebrated every February or March.

Director of Practice
Acting Director of Programs & Services
Team Leader (Nisga'a Lands)
Team Leader (Prince Rupert and Terrace)

Loretta Stewart Cherie Mercer Michael Davis Daphne Stevens



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Nlha'7kapmx Child & Family Services



<u>Website</u> <u>Facebook</u>

Nlha'7Kapmx Child and Family Services Society (NCFSS) is a fully delegated child and family service agency. Social work staff provide the full range of delegated child protection and guardianship services to the six-member communities of Lytton, Siska, Skuppah, Nicomen, Cook's Ferry and Kanaka Bar. NCFSS also holds Culture Camps, Life skills Workshops, Family Drop Ins, Men's Drop Ins, Photo Contests, Christmas Turkey Bingo. NCFSS participated in the Lytton 1st Nations Christmas Parade. yé tək síðið - good day!

Executive Director
Voluntary Services Case Manager
Team Leader

Chrissy Thomas Crystal Chapman Jessica Bauman



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Northwest Inter-Nation Family & Community Services Society



<u>Website</u> <u>Facebook</u>

Northwest Inter-Nation Family & Community Services Society "NIFCS" is an First Nations based agency that provides family support, guardianship, and caregiver services to seven First Nations communities in the Northwest region of British Columbia. NIFCS was established in 1999, following a three-year community consultation process focused on developing and taking ownership of child safety services for children and youth registered to the Tsimshian and Haisla Nations. NIFCS main office is located in Terrace, BC. NIFCS hosts a variety of programs including, a youth empowerment program, and connect parenting groups among others. NIFCS has also hosted lessons on beading, and a three-day Orange Shirt Day event to welcome home survivors.

Executive Director

Practice Manager

Prince Rupert Team Leader

Terrace Team Leader

Team Leader Guardian/Resource

Sherrie Haldane

Rachel Hewer

Anthony Adams

Tricia Ferguson

Tanya Gregoirie



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Scw'exmx Child & Family Services



<u>Website</u> <u>Facebook</u>

The Scw'exmx are the People of the Creeks.

Scw'exmx Child and Family Services (SCFSS) is a fully delegated child and family services society providing programs and services to the Nicola Valley. There are five (5) bands in the Nicola Valley who comprise the Scw'exmx: nc'tetkwu (Coldwater Indian Band), sulu s (Lower Nicola Indian Band), nwéyc (Nooaitch Indian Band), sxéxn x (Shackan Indian Band) sp'ax?min and niq'aiməl?x (Upper Nicola Band), along with the urban First Nation and Inuit population of the Nicola Valley. Four (4) of the bands are members of the nie?kepmx Nation and the fifth, Upper Nicola Band, is a member of the syilx Nation. SCFSS hosts a wide variety of Family Workshops, relationship programs for couples, women's group, and cultural activities such as *Feel The Beat* a time to come together to learn, practice and share language and culture. SCFSS hosts an annual awards event recognizing Indigenous youth for making a positive impact.

Executive Director Lisa Post
Director of Practice Gail Peterson
Operations Manager Kelly Donaldson
Team Leader Kristen Stewart



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Secwépemc Child & Family Services



<u>Website</u> <u>Facebook</u>

Secwépemc Child & Family Services Agency (SCFSA) is a fully delegated agency that provides a range of voluntary, guardianship, child protection services to Indigenous families and children living in the seven Secwépemc communities and Kamloops area. Secwépemc Child and Family Services Agency (SCFSA) is responsible for the delivery of effective and efficient services that protect the rights of children, ensure their safety, and maintain their connection to family, culture, and community. "Signs of Safety" practice is being implemented across all teams. The SCFSA Family Preservation teams receive, assess, and respond to child protection reports for both on and off reserve as well as providing ongoing services through collaborative planning/decision-making with families and communities to identify existing signs of safety for the purposes of promoting the safety and well-being of children. Connecting youth with numerous support networks once they transition out of care to ensure they have the life skills they need to succeed in life, is a big focus for our team. The quardianship team works with children and families until the child reaches the age of 19 or until there is a permanency plan implemented. SCFS offers a wide array of cultural programs, parenting programs. The seven communities: Adams Lake Indian Band, Bonaparte Indian Band, Neskonlith Indian Band, Simpcw First Nation, Skeetchestn Indian Band, Tk'emlups te Secwépemc, Whispering Pines / Clinton

Interim Executive Director
Associate Executive Director
Director of Operations
Team Leader
Team Leader
Program Manager
Team Leader
Program Manager
High Risk youth Team Leader

Lisa Brown
Natasha Marshall
Beverly Price-Bellwood
Leanna MacKenzie
Jennifer Kimble
Mandy Pozzobon
Ashley Methot
Natasha Marshall
Jesse Adamson



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Usma Nuu-Chah-Nulth Child & Family Services



<u>Website</u> <u>Facebook</u>

Usma means "precious one" in the Nuu-chah-nulth language. provides a wide variety of services and supports to fourteen Nuu-chah-nulth First Nations with approximately 10,000 members. Programs include Child Safety – responsible for investigating reports of child abuse and neglect, Guardianship – responsible for supporting children and youth in continuing care and a Resource Team – responsible for foster homes and caregivers. As well there is a Family Wellness Team – responsible for supporting children & youth connections.

Executive Director Kelly Edgar Operations Manager Arlene Bill

Intake & Investigation Team Leader Courtney Hollingworth

Family Service Team Leader Julie Borina Guardianship Team Leader Julia Hunter



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Vancouver Aboriginal Child & Family Services Society



<u>Website</u> <u>Facebook</u>

Vancouver Aboriginal Child & Family Services Society (VACFSS) is a leader in delivering culturally grounded, restorative family services to urban Indigenous families of greater Vancouver. Established in 1992, VACFSS offers a full spectrum of services encompassing Family Reunification and Preservation, Guardianship, Child Protection and Resources.

Director of Practice: Nazeem Ratanshi Director of Programs: Doris Peters Guardianship Team Leader: Marcia

Cummings

Guardianship Manager: Holly Anderson

Team Leader: Donna Sound

Resource Team Leader: Meghan Grove Family Service Team Leader: Condia Hill Residential Resource Team Leader: Anne

Savard

Protection Team Leader: Sean McFarlane Collaborative Practice Manager: Allison

Grundle

A/Team Leader: Meghan Watts

Family Service Team Leader: Karen Latta

Team Leader: Danna Jardin Team Leader: Claudia Liddle Team Leader: Lauren Halldorson

Resource Team Leader: Jessica Carabetta



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<u>Indigenous Child & Family Services Agencies with Guardianship</u> <u>Delegation (C4)</u>

Ayás Ménmen Child & Family Services



<u>Website</u> <u>Facebook</u>

Providing cultural and community-centered services that respect the best interests and rights of children and youth, in an environment that provides them with safety and security. Working collaboratively with families and other resources to deliver child safety, family support, and prevention services. The philosophy of Ayás Ménmen is to enhance the lives of the Skwxwú7mesh children, their families, and the community by providing a caring, supportive, and vital community service.

Executive Director

Director

Family Service Team Leader
Family Service Team Leader

Guardianship Team Leader

Resource Team Leader

Bunny Leblanc



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Carrier Sekani Family Services

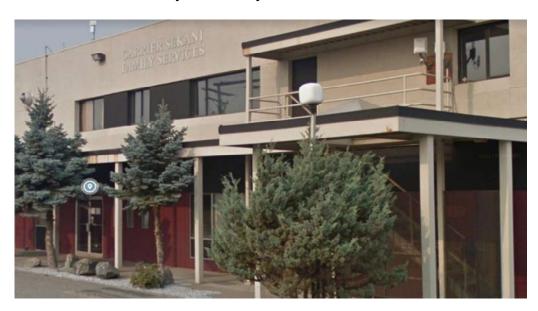


<u>Website</u> <u>Facebook</u>

Carrier Sekani Family Services provides holistic health and wellness services to the children, youth, and families of the following communities, Lake Babine Nation, Takla First Nation, Nadleh Whut'en, Stella'ten First Nation, Saik'uz First Nation, Ts'il Kaz Koh [Burns Lake Band], Cheslatta Carrier Nation, Wet'sewet'en First Nation, Nee Tahi Buhn Band, Yekooche First Nation, Skin Tyee Nation.

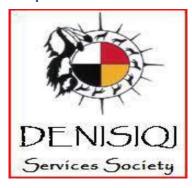
Executive Director Mary Teegee
Director of Practice Sonya Rowland
Team Leader Cheyenne Murray
Team Leader Crystal Prince
Team Leader Michelle Blacker
Guardianship Team Leader Juanita Gull

Resource Team Leader Carly Danielle Baylis



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Denisiqi Services Society



<u>Website</u> <u>Facebook</u>

Providing support to the Tlesqox, Tsideldel, Ulkatcho, Xeni Gwet'in, ?Esdilagh, and Yunesit'in First Nations. Denisiqi delivers services from a prevention support and intervention orientation under Voluntary Services Delegation. Provides legal guardianship services to children under a Continuing Custody Order. Denisiqi also offers a variety of programs including Horse Equine program infant development, prenatal sessions, men's group, grief and loss workshops, and family fun days.

Executive Director Christa Smith
Practice Manager Jacquelyn Tardif
Team Leader Crystal McDermott



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Gitxsan Child & Family Services



Website

Facebook

GCFSS serves the five communities of Kispiox, Glen Vowell, Gitsegukla, Gitwangak, and Gitanyow as well as the many Gitxsan people living off reserve throughout BC and beyond. GCFSS opened its doors in June 2000 after being founded in the previous year. In 2007 an agreement between GCFSS, and the Ministry and the federal government transferred responsibility of guardianship services of Gitxsan Child & Family Services GCFSS also offers parents drop-in groups, men's Group, women's group, cultural Workshops; such as crafts, drum making, medicines, harvesting and teachings.

Executive Director Cheryl Williams Quality Assurance Manager Julia Muldoe Practice Manager Yvonne Shaw Corinne Littlewood Team Leader Team Leader **Robin Mowatt** Team Leader Susan Upfold Team Leader Tracey Dawson Team Leader Tara Williams Team Leader Lillian Bear



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Nil/tu,o Child & Family Services



Website

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NIŁ TU,O CFSS provide services to the children and families of the following seven communities Beecher Bay/ Scianew, Pauquachin, Tsartlip, Songhees, Tsawout, Tseycum and T'Sou-ke. NIŁ TU,O provides two distinct streams of services. Both streams of services are designed to keep Coast Salish children with their families and in their community. As an ICFS Agency, currently delegated at C4, NIŁ TU,O provides the following delegated services, Guardianship and care for children in continuing care, Voluntary support services to families, Voluntary care or special needs agreements, Recruitment, training, and support for caregivers, Youth Agreements, Respite Services, Extended Family Program, Agreement with Young Adults

Executive Director
Community Service Manager (Non- Delegated Services)
Community Services Manager (Delegated Services)

Katharina Stocker Darla-Rae Gosek Ashley Morris



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Surrounded by Cedar Child & Family Services Society



<u>Website</u> <u>Facebook</u>

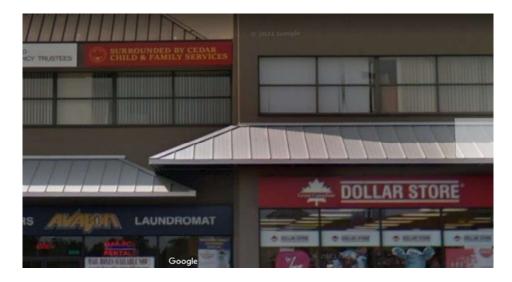
Surrounded by Cedar is one of four urban ICFSAs. Through its delegation agreement, administers C4 services under the Child, Family and Community Services Act. Programs include, guardianship, caregiver supports, child and youth counselling, youth support, cultural continuity & programming, and lifelong connections.

Executive Director Suzanne Patterson

Practice Manager Jenna Bailey

Team Leader Courtney Norris-Jones

Team Leader Resources Kathy Koyahara



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Nezul Be Hunuyeh Child & Family Services



<u>Website</u> <u>Facebook</u>

Nezul Be Hunuyeh has three full time Guardianship Workers. Nezul Be Hunuyeh provides voluntary support for families who become involved in the child welfare system. Nezul Be Hunuyeh provides non delegated services to Tl'azt'en, Binche, and Nak'azdli families; with the overall goal of promoting wellness and reducing the risk of child protection concerns.

Executive Director Cindy Ghostkeeper
Practice Lead Michelle Morrie
Manager AYA Karen Payton
Manager Family Service Sharon Prince

Manager Resources Maureen DePellegrin



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<u>Indigenous Child & Family Services Agencies with Voluntary Services</u> <u>Delegation (C3)</u>

Haida Child & Family Services



Website

Facebook

Haida Child & Family Services provides support to children and their families who reside on and off Haida Gwaii. Haida Child & Family Services is a support and resource for all Haida Children and Families. Haida Child & Family Services established community structures and provides community education to ensure that communities and families are being actively involved in service planning for their children. Haida Child & Family Services also provide a range of preventative services to reduce the number of Haida children in the care of the government and prevent others from coming into care.

Executive Director Jennifer Dysart
Director of Practice Karen Wainwright



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Heiltsuk Kaxla Child & Family Services



<u>Website</u> <u>Facebook</u>

Provides voluntary support services in Bella Bella, on the Central Coast of BC, home to the Haíłzaqv. Heiltsuk Kaxla Child & Family Services provides a variety of programs in addition to their voluntary support services. Including Men's Wellness group, sobriety circle, family movie night, beading and crafting.

Executive Director Carrie Easterbrook

Operations Manager Natalie Bull



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K'wak'walat'si ('Namgis) Child and Family Services



'Namgis Territory encompasses the entire Nimpkish and Kokish River Watersheds on Northern Vancouver Island, along with the waters and several adjacent islands in the vicinity of Johnstone Strait and Queen Charlotte Straits.

Acting Executive Director
Team Leader (Child Welfare & Family Support)

Diane Alfred Melanie Alfred



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