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WEEKDAY Communiqué

Welcome Tabitha!

We are excited to introduce the newest member of our team! **Tabitha Fournier** is our “Cariboo” Network Facilitator (covering the Williams Lake and 100 Mile House areas). She will be reaching out to caregivers soon!

You can reach Tabitha at:

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IN PERSON KAMLOOPS

Foster Parent Drop-In

Wednesday

9:00am – 11:00am (PST)

The Loft - 290 Maple Street
(2nd Floor of the grey building)

EAST KOOTENAY Foster Parent Drop-Ins

We are breaking for the summer.

VIRTUAL WEST KOOTENAY Foster Parent Drop-In

Fridays 11:00am - 12noon (PST)

Zoom ID: 250 608 7674

DR. LINDA O'NEILL TRAUMA FOCUSED WORKSHOP IN KAMLOOPS

Watch for more details coming soon!

THE DISRUPTORS DOCUMENTARY SCREENING

Forget everything you thought you knew about ADHD!

Tuesday, June 27 9:30am – 11:45am (PST) **OR**

Wednesday, July 12 6:30pm – 8:15pm (PST)

Zoom Meeting ID: 841 7435 2491

9.4% of American children are diagnosed with ADHD

1 out of 4 children diagnosed with ADHD do not receive any treatment

To watch the trailer, visit: <https://disruptorsfilm.com/>

See poster for more details. For more info, please contact Marna Forsyth at 250 609-2017 (phone / text) or email: mforsyth@interiorcommunityservices.bc.ca

PFLAG RESOURCES

“PFLAG is creating a caring, just, and affirming world for LGBTQ+ people and those who love them. Founded in 1973 PFLAG is the first and largest organization dedicated to supporting educating and advocating for LGBTQ+ people and their families.” “PFLAG commits to advocating with - and supporting - transgender and gender-expansive people; and to working to reduce and remove the root causes of this crisis of violence and injustice, including systemic racism, sexism, discrimination, and harassment. We are also committed to educating others and ourselves about gender identity and gender expression in order to meet unfounded fear with facts”

Take time to check out some of their resources

- ⇒ The Ultimate LGBTQ+ History and Culture Extravaganza: Recording and Training Toolkit
- ⇒ LGBTQ+ Glossary
- ⇒ Support my LGBTQ+ loved one – including supporting my LGBTQ+ Grandchild
- ⇒ Your Trans Loved Ones
- ⇒ Our Children
- ⇒ When a Loved One Comes Out
- ⇒ Resources to being a Lifelong Ally
- ⇒ Mental Health Resources
- ⇒ Finding a loving community after Coming Out
- ⇒ Taking the Long Road Home: Discussion Guide
- ⇒ Faith in Our Families
- ⇒ Better Allying in Challenging Times
- ⇒ LGBTQ+ History Month Resources

Check out PFLAG at: <https://pflag.org/>

**FEDERATION OF BC
YOUTH IN CARE
NETWORKS
DREAM FUND
Deadline: July 7**

"You're eligible for Dream Fund bursaries if:

- ↳ You are youth in or from care in BC ages 14-24
- ↳ You have a cumulative total of one year in government care (CCO, VCO, TCO, SNA, YAG, Extended Family Placements)
- ↳ (Education Achievement only) You are enrolled or planning to enroll in a secondary, post-secondary academic, technical or vocational program, a recognized public post-secondary institution, or a registered private post-secondary institution. The school does not need to be in BC."

For more info and to:

- ↳ **Apply for the Reach for Success Bursary** visit: <https://fbcyicn.ca/reach-success-bursary-application>
- ↳ **Apply for the Education Achievement Bursary** visit: <https://fbcyicn.ca/education-achievement-bursary-application>

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SUPPORT TO FAMILY CARE NETWORK PROGRAM

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MARK YOUR CALENDARS! FALL EVENT DATES

KERRI ISHAM (POWER UP EDUCATION)

Sexual Health Education for Teens with Special Needs in Grade 8+

Monday, September 18 9:30am – 11:30am (PST)

Replay access available Sept 26 9:00am – Oct 3 9:00am (PST)

THE WHITE HATTER

Monitoring, Filters and Tools

Wednesday, October 4 7:00pm – 8:30pm (PST)

Replay access will be available. Dates to be announced.

CHECK OUT THESE OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH

Join us this summer on ZOOM for **Indigenous Art Workshops** facilitated by Coast Salish Graphic Artist Ovi Mailhot

Aug 1 & 15 for Ages 9-12
Aug 2 & 16 for Ages 13-19

Art workshops will be virtual on Zoom at 3PM and will be about an hour long. The program is free and open to Indigenous youth in care or previously in care.

To register or for more information please email Registration@xyolhemeylh.bc.ca

Fraser Valley Aboriginal Children & Family Services Society WWW.FVACFSS.CA

Funding Your Future

via Microsoft teams

Have you been in care? In an agreement? In an out of care arrangement? Or been adopted through MCFD?

Looking towards your future?

There may be supports available to you!!



Learn about Agreements with Young Adults, the Provincial Tuition Waiver, & other funding options.

Hear directly from select post-secondary schools about what they have to offer to students with lived experience.

Upcoming Sessions:

July 7th from 3PM-5PM:
• Okanagan College
• College of New Caledonia

RSVP by scanning the QR code, calling 604-502-5363 or by emailing MCF.9180KingGeorgeBlvdAdministration@gov.bc.ca



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WELCOME TO FED CONNECTS!

Fed Connects is a virtual space where the Fed Family can come together, share their experiences, stay well and learn new things!

WORKSHOPS • LIVE EVENTS • DISCUSSIONS • INFO SHARING
AND LOTS MORE!

BY COMING TOGETHER, WE'RE NOT ALONE

Have a youth in care? Be sure to check out our website or Facebook page!

Need resources or information?

Check out our website!

Are you wanting more information about upcoming training in your area, helpful resources or information about our program? Find all this and much more at our website:

www.icsfp.info



Find us on Facebook!

Connect with us on our

'ICS Support To Family Care Network' Facebook page and our agency's 'Interior Community Services' Facebook page.