

## Tuesday, December 3, 2024

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### Working with Changing Patient Demographics with Influx of New Immigrants and Refugees

Date and Time: Tuesday, December 3 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Cost: Free

Registration: [Working with Changing Patient Demographics with Influx of New Immigrants and Refugees | Migrant Clinicians Network](#)

"This session will provide an overview of the changes in patient population seen at federally funded health centers across the country and the public policies that may affect health seeking processes for migrant workers and their families. Each speaker has expertise at the national and regional level. The session will provide valuable resources to health center staff to better understand the immigration policies affecting their communities and patients...."

## Wednesday, December 4, 2024

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### Reconciliation in Action - MANSO

Date and Time: Wednesday, December 4 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Cost: Free

Registration: [Manitoba Association of Newcomer Serving Organizations | Reconciliation in Action](#)

"This session will feature the work of the Assiniboia Residential School Legacy Group, introduced by Elder Mabel Horton, a former student of Winnipeg's first Residential High School. Elder Mabel will open the session in a traditional way and share about her role working with the board of directors at Assiniboia Residential School Legacy Group over the last decade, and her current role as co-president. Executive Director Ada Uddoh will provide insight into the work of the group over the past year, and present examples of reconciliation in action between the board, all levels of government, other businesses and non-profit organizations, as well as everyday Winnipeg citizens.

#### **Key topics:**

- Brief history of colonization, residential schools, 60's Scoop & Millennial Scoop
- Truth & Reconciliation Commission & resulting Calls to Action
- Work of Assiniboia Residential School Legacy Group & examples of Reconciliation in Action
- 7 Calls to Action that you can implement in your organization

**Who Should Attend:** This session is designed for anyone (staff, volunteers, etc.) in the newcomer-serving sector or looking to deepen their knowledge of reconciliation and Canada's history of colonization.

## **Presenters:**

Elder Mabel Lena Horton: Co-president of the Assiniboia Residential School Legacy Group and current Owech iowew / Helper / Knowledge Keeper and advisor for the First Nations Health & Social Secretariat of Manitoba in their various research initiatives.

Ada Uddoh: Executive Director of the Assiniboia Residential School Legacy Group"

## **Trauma-Informed Leadership**

Date and Time: Wednesday, December 4 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Cost: Free

Registration: [Webinar Registration - Zoom](#)

"A compassionate and trauma-informed approach to leadership is essential for creating healthy workplace cultures. Trauma is prevalent in our world and has an impact on many of the people we interact with, including staff and colleagues. This session explores how to lead with a trauma-informed approach and provides key insights for increasing psychological safety and creating greater resilience for all parts of an organization. This training will inspire participants to lead with compassion and provide compelling rationale for why all leaders should be trauma-informed.

**LIVE EVENT ONLY:** This webinar will not be recorded or available for later viewing. We encourage you to join us at the scheduled time. This webinar is FREE for everyone!

When ASL or French interpretation is required, please indicate the preference in the registration form. The incorporation of ASL and French interpreters will depend on availability.

**NOTE ABOUT REGISTRATION QUESTIONS:** OASW is committed to inclusion and promoting a diverse range of identities, experiences, perspectives, and voices across all areas of the Association. As such, the registration contains some optional questions that are intended to assist us to better understand our social work community and ensure that our work is reflective of the diverse membership of OASW and our profession."

## **Does the System Even Want Us? The Resilience of IEHPs facing Threat to their Professional Identity**

Date and Time: Wednesday, December 4 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Cost: Free

Registration: [https://newcomernavigation.zoom.us/webinar/register/3217242698042/WN\\_ILmXNGa-Thq2Wkdex0gBvw](https://newcomernavigation.zoom.us/webinar/register/3217242698042/WN_ILmXNGa-Thq2Wkdex0gBvw)

**Bianca Briciu, Saint Paul University**

**Lorraine Ste-Marie, Saint Paul University**

**Sebastien Moise Réveil, Saint Paul University**

Join this workshop for a systemic understanding of the resilience of internationally educated healthcare professi

onals (IEHPs) in Canada faced with threat to their professional identity. We will present the results of research focusing on the resilience of IEHPs who face the double adversity of immigration as adaptation to a new culture and numerous barriers to professional integration in Canada. Based on focus groups with 25 participants and thematic analysis of their reflections in the program Fostering Canadian Integration for IEHPs: From Learning to Action, we examined the individual, relational and social contributors to their resilience. Based on the findings, we offer four learning outcomes in the presentation:

1. Expand resilience to a social ecological concept
2. Understand how self-awareness contributes to resilience
3. Strategies for forming a learning community
4. Learn how to foster a positive mindset and restore a meaningful professional identity for supporting the resilience of IEHPs.

## **Thursday, December 5, 2024**

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### **Virtual Launch of the Mixed Migration Review 2024**

Date and Time: Thursday, December 5 8:00 am - 9:00 am

Cost: Free

Registration: [Webinar Registration - Zoom](#)

"This year's Mixed Migration Review (MMR) dives into the politics of mixed migration and the salience of migration issues in politics.

In 2024, nearly half of the world's population across 80+ countries will have headed to the polls, including some of the most powerful, populous, and fragile countries.

How is migration instrumentalized both domestically and internationally? In what ways do rising populist movements rely on maintaining migration as a perceived threat? What role does modern media play in shaping migration narratives? How do governments balance restricting asylum and migration with the growing demand for migrant labour?

Through interviews with global and regional thinkers, expert essays, thematic snapshots, and personal migrant stories, the 2024 MMR addresses these and other critical issues. Join us for the virtual launch to dive into these discussions and more!"

## Crossroads of Care 2.0

Date and Time: Thursday, December 5 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Registration: [Home | Crossroads of Care 2.0](#)

"Join WrapCap for the 2nd annual *Crossroads of Care Conference*, a 2-day virtual event bringing together professionals, youth, and organizations dedicated to enhancing the settlement experience of newcomer youth in the PNT region, Canada. This conference fosters collaboration and the exchange of ideas across key sectors that shape youth settlement, with a focus on SWIS, housing, employment, mental health, recreation, education, justice, and more. Let's work together to build capacity for organizations and improve youth services."

## WrapCap Youth Settlement Conference (Virtual)

Date and Time: Thursday, December 5 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

At this moment, it is just a save the date: [WrapCap Conference Save the Date.pdf - Google Drive](#)

More information to come.

## Higher Education Partnerships in Refugee Health

Date and Time: Thursday, December 5 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Cost: Free

Registration: [Meeting Registration - Zoom](#)

"This one-hour webinar will highlight refugee health partnerships between higher education institutions and refugee serving organizations. It will spotlight existing models and discuss ways colleges and universities can engage with refugee communities to help meet refugee healthcare needs and improve health outcomes while achieving key educational goals and deepening their commitment to public service. This webinar will be co-hosted with the Society of Refugee Healthcare Providers. Learning Objectives 1. Understand opportunities for partnerships between U.S. colleges and universities and refugee serving organizations in the context of refugee health 2. Learn about the value of refugee-focused health engagement for campuses and local communities 3. Discover strategies for addressing challenges and available resources to support refugee health engagement and collaborations Speaker List • Mariam Iskajyan, ECDC/SHERR • Manal Sidi, Welcome.US and Welcome Campus Network/SHERR (moderator) • Sarah Clarke (MSPH), Society of Refugee Healthcare Providers • Dr. Aniyizhai Annamalai, Yale Refugee Health Program • Dr. Danielle Hoffman, St. Ambrose University • Dr. Melissa Sharer, St. Ambrose University • Kimberly Curry, International Rescue Committee, Spokane This webinar is part of the SHERR Spotlight Series on campus engagement with refugees. Webinars in the series feature higher education institutions and resettlement agencies working together to support refugees through innovations such as temporary campus housing, community-engaged learning, refugee health, English language and career programs, and increasing educational opportunities for refugee students. For more information, please see the series flyer at: <https://www.worldlearning.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/SHERR-Webinar-Flyer.pdf> For additional information, or to be added to our mailing list please email the SHERR Program at [SHERR@worldlearning.org](mailto:SHERR@worldlearning.org)."

## Refugee Family Reunification for Protected Persons, 5 December 2024

Date and Time: Thursday, December 5 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Cost: Free

Registration: [Webinar: Refugee Family Reunification for Protected Persons, 5 December 2024 | Refugee Family Reunification](#)

"Please [join us for a training webinar](#) on the process by which Protected Persons (accepted refugee claimants) can apply for permanent residence for themselves and their immediate family members, including those overseas. Through this application process, the family can be reunited in Canada.

The webinar is intended primarily for NGO staff who support refugees with their permanent residence applications, and thus to reunite with their families.

We are grateful to [OCASI](#) for hosting the webinar.

**When: Thursday December 5, 2024**

2 pm Eastern

3 pm Atlantic

3:30pm Newfoundland

1 pm Central/Saskatchewan

12 noon Mountain

11 am Pacific

The webinar will last 90 minutes."

## **Friday, December 6, 2024**

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### **WrapCap Youth Settlement Conference (Virtual)**

Date and Time: Friday, December 6 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

At this moment, it is just a save the date: [WrapCap Conference Save the Date.pdf - Google Drive](#)

More information to come.

### **Crossroads of Care 2.0**

Date and Time: Friday, December 6 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Registration: [Home | Crossroads of Care 2.0](#)

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## **Tuesday, December 10, 2024**

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## Intercultural Competency Training (register for each module)

Date and Time: Tuesday, December 10 11:00 am - 1:00 pm

Cost: Free

Registration;

**Please not that each two-hour training session takes place on a Tuesday from 10:00am to 12pm (Saskatchewan Time)**

**Sept 24** - Module One: Embracing diversity beyond the surface – Part One

[Register Here](#)

**Oct 15** - Module One: Embracing diversity beyond the surface – Part Two

[Register Here](#)

**Oct 29** - Module Two: Intercultural Communication and Competence – Part One

[Register Here](#)

**Nov 12** - Module Two: Intercultural Communication and Competence – Part Two

[Register Here](#)

**Nov 26** - Module Three: Cross-Cultural Engagement in the Community – Part One

[Register Here](#)

**Dec 10** - Module Three: Cross-Cultural Engagement in the Community Part Two

[Register Here](#)

**Jan 7** - Module Four: Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion with an emphasis on accessibility – Part One

[Register Here](#)

**Jan 21** - Module Four: Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion with an emphasis on accessibility - Part Two

[Register Here](#)

**Feb 4** - Module Five: Recognition and Rejection of Racism – Part One

[Register Here](#)

**Feb 18** - Module Five: Recognition and Rejection of Racism – Part Two

[Register Here](#)

## Dismantling Hate: A Journey Toward Inclusion

Date and Time: Tuesday, December 10 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Cost: Free

Registration: [Dismantling Hate: A Journey Toward Inclusion Tickets, Multiple Dates | Eventbrite](#)

"In recognition of the International Human Rights Day, we will host a two-day hybrid event that aims to combat hate, promote inclusion, and foster understanding among diverse communities. The event will feature a combination of educational sessions, interactive activities, and community showcases. The event will include a combin

ation of panel discussions, keynote addresses and a documentary film screening on real life incidents and experiences of hate and racism in Canada.

Day one of the event will be held online, leveraging our platform to reach a broader audience across multiple provinces. Day two will be held in-person in Vancouver, offering a more intimate and engaging experience for participants, with the option for virtual participants to dial in on day two. This hybrid approach ensures consistent, high-quality event delivery to diverse communities across Canada.

According to Public Safety Canada, Canada continues to experience high rates of community tension, hate crimes, and violence in both global and domestic contexts. Police-reported hate crimes increased by 7%, from 3,355 incidents in 2021 to 3,576 in 2022, following a 72% increase between 2019 and 2021. These incidents, which primarily target Muslim, Jewish, and Black populations, remain above the ten-year average."

## **Intersectoral Collaboration: A Model for Refugee Health and Settlement**

Date and Time: Tuesday, December 10 1:30 pm - 2:30 pm

Cost: Free

Registration: [Intersectoral Collaboration: A Model for Refugee Health and Settlement Tickets, Tue, 10 Dec 2024 at 1:30 PM | Eventbrite](#)

### **"Description**

This webinar will discuss a long-standing collaborative partnership between a primary care clinic and a refugee shelter.

Co-location and partnership structure of this collaborative care model will be reviewed, in addition to respective roles between these health and settlement providers.

Of unique interest, the synergy of these intersectoral roles will be discussed as well as opportunities where this may be utilized and scaled in alternative setting

### **About the presenters:**

**Vanessa Wright**, Nurse Practitioner-Primary Health Care, MScN, Doctor of Nursing, Crossroads Clinic, Women's College Hospital, Toronto

Vanessa Wright is a nurse practitioner at Women's College Hospital and emerging health systems researcher. Through her decade long work in newcomer health at the Crossroads Refugee Clinic, Vanessa has developed and implemented innovative models of primary care between hospital, community, and social services to support those navigating the refugee process.

Vanessa's professional experience includes working across primary, acute, and public health care domains, as well as facilitating teams in medical outreach and education both locally and globally.

She is a subject matter expert for CAMH's Immigrant and Refugee Mental Health Course and professional practice and nursing faculty lead for the University of Toronto's, Toronto Addis Ababa Academic Collaboration

Vanessa's research interests lie in community engagement, interprofessional collaboration, learning health systems and integration. She received her Doctor of Nursing from the Lawrence S. Bloomberg Faculty of Nursing, and her thesis explored the relationship between cross-sector integrated care and organizational learning.

**Mashfiq Sabit**, Certified Infection Control Practitioner, Sojourn House, Toronto

Mashfiq is an Infection Control Practitioner and Healthcare Administrator at Sojourn House, with a background in microbiology, psychology, and public health.

He specialized as a certified infection control practitioner from the Certification Board of Infection Control and Epidemiology in the United States.

The array of responsibilities that came with working with healthcare and settlement service providers, swiftly molded his Infection Prevention and Control role at Sojourn House from being strictly focused on the management of communicable diseases, to

the wider focus of healthcare access, wellbeing, and education. Mashfiq did this by fostering partnerships with community partners and stakeholders to connect Sojourn House clients to different healthcare services; focusing on health equity and bridging the gaps."

## Wednesday, December 11, 2024

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### Achieving Equitable Vaccinations for Newcomer Families

Date and Time: Wednesday, December 11 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Cost: Free

Registration: [https://newcomernavigation.zoom.us/webinar/register/8317267589905/WN\\_0\\_4VV8DxTnSYT](https://newcomernavigation.zoom.us/webinar/register/8317267589905/WN_0_4VV8DxTnSYT)



As seen with the COVID-19 global pandemic, vaccine access can be difficult among the most vulnerable populations in Canada. This includes the experiences of newcomers, both immigrants and refugees. Many barriers and accessibility challenges can potentially exist for newcomer families.

Recognition and appropriate steps to vaccine access strategy development must be explored to ensure equitable measures are available to reduce the gap to vaccine access. Join us on Dec. 11, 2024 from 1-2pm EST as we discuss methods to reducing barriers to accessing healthcare services among newcomer children and families in Canada.

The following learning objectives will be examined:

- Explore the accessibility barriers that exist for vaccinations services among newcomer families
- Gain knowledge and insight on strategy development to reduce barriers to vaccine services for newcomers.
- Assess the work that can be done by healthcare professionals in one's own practice when working with newcomer families

Speakers:

- Dr. Cora Constantinescu, Pediatric Infectious Disease, Clinical Associate Professor, University of Calgary;

## **Asylum Program Division of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) - Technical Briefings**

Date and Time: Wednesday, December 11 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Cost: Free

Registration: Via email - [Fanny.Tremblay@cic.gc.ca](mailto:Fanny.Tremblay@cic.gc.ca)

We are reaching out today to let you know that the Asylum Program Division of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) is offering technical briefings on asylum claim processes. The technical briefing was developed to help front-line workers and government organizations gain a better understanding of the procedures involved in processing claims submitted by asylum seekers, as well as the supports and services they may be able to access while their claim is being processed. Please note that the information sessions are geared towards front-line workers and public servants from various community organizations and municipal, provincial and other governmental organizations who work with asylum seekers. Our briefings are virtual, via MS Teams, and last about 30 minutes. We also allow time after the presentation for questions. Below is an overview of what is covered.

### 1. Introduction to the Canadian Refugee Protection Programs

- Quick overview of the refugee resettlement and asylum programs
- Overview of the asylum application process

### 2. Key information for asylum claimants

- Application guides
- Representation
- Change of address

### 3. Four asylum processes by which an asylum claim can be processed

- IRCC Inland STEP Process
- CBSA One-Touch Process
- CBSA End to End Process
- CBSA (Furthered) Inland

#### 4. Access & Coverages

- Work Permit
- Study Permit
- Interim Federal Health Program

#### 5. Supports

- Direct Financial Support
- Housing
- Settlement Program

#### 6. Sample of key asylum documents

#### 7. Q&A Session

- Opportunity for attendees to ask questions and seek clarifications

#### Upcoming technical briefing dates

- July 24: 2:00 to 3:00 pm (Eastern Time)
- August 14: 10:00 to 11:00 am (Eastern Time)
- September 25: 2:00 to 3:00 pm (Eastern Time)
- October 15: 10:00 to 11:00 am (Eastern Time) - FRENCH
- October 30: 2:00 to 3:00 pm (Eastern Time)
- November 13: 10:00 to 11:00 am (Eastern Time)
- December 11: 2:00 to 3:00 pm (Eastern Time)

If you would like to participate, please send an email to [Fanny.Tremblay@cic.gc.ca](mailto:Fanny.Tremblay@cic.gc.ca) with your name, organization, and email address, and specify which session you wish to attend."

## Thursday, December 12, 2024

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### Migration governance in the Americas: A shared vision

Date and Time: Thursday, December 12 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

Registration: [Metropolis Americas 2024 – Metropolis Conference](#)

"MIGRATION GOVERNANCE IN THE AMERICAS: A SHARED VISION

December 12-13, 2024

NATIONAL PRESS CLUB

529 14th St NW, Washington, DC 20045, United States

Across the Americas substantial and spontaneous migration persists thus resulting in increased and varied chall

enges for policy-makers and civil society. Across the Americas there are several bilateral/binational migration agreements on such issues as temporary labour mobility, international students, border security, asylum governance, refugee resettlement, credential recognition and others. But divergent national interests and domestic political considerations have made it increasingly difficult to secure multi-nation cooperation on migration between immigrant sending and receiving countries. It is nonetheless imperative to identify the converging or shared elements of a broader Americas vision if we're to effectively meet the many and varied challenges ahead. With a focus on the best means for fostering cooperation on migration across the Americas this edition of Metropolis Americas invites policy-makers, researchers and civil society to submit proposals for workshops and round tables on the following topics."

## Haitian Culture and Health Screening Considerations

Date and Time: Thursday, December 12 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Cost: Free

Registration: [Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams](#)

"Learning objectives for this Center of Excellence in Newcomer Health webinar:

- Describe the history of migration of Haitians to the United States, and current drivers of migration
- Discuss potential health issues and disparities of Haitians residing in the United States
- List three required or recommended components of medical screening/care for Haitian new arrivals
- Describe two health care access problems faced by Haitians in the United States
- Identify at least three cultural considerations when providing care for Haitians in the United States

You can join the webinar from any device, whether or not you have a Microsoft Teams account. If you don't have an account, follow the steps in the webinar calendar invitation you receive after registering.

**Tip:** Join the meeting up to 15 minutes before the meeting start time to test your setup, troubleshoot, or see how your organization's network interacts with Teams. If you're having trouble joining, visit [I can't join a Teams meeting.](#) "

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## **Atelier – Belonging and integration : Diverse perspectives on the children of immigrants**

Date and Time: Friday, December 13 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Le Centre pour l'étude de la citoyenneté démocratique présente :

### **Atelier – Belonging and integration : Diverse perspectives on the children of immigrants**

Quand : vendredi 13 décembre 2024, 13h30

Où : Concordia Centre de conférence, Pavillon John Molson, 9e étage, 1600 blvd Maisonneuve Ouest, Montréal

Inscription : [https://cecdudemscpol.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_brcigArI2atQLye](https://cecdudemscpol.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_brcigArI2atQLye)

Cette série de conférences est financée par le Centre pour l'étude de la Citoyenneté démocratique lui-même financé par le [Fonds de recherche du Québec – Société et culture \(FRQSC\)](#).

Le CÉCD organise sa première 3 présentateurs Série de conférence *Belonging and integration : Diverse perspectives on the children of immigrants*. Vous trouverez les informations sur les conférenciers et les présentations [ici](#).

## **Tuesday, December 17, 2024**

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### **Lunch & Learn: The Community Safety Team- Who We Are and What We Do**

Date and Time: Tuesday, December 17 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm

Cost: Free

Registration: [Manitoba Association of Newcomer Serving Organizations | Lunch & Learn: The Community Safety Team- Who We Are and What We Do](#)

"Join this session to learn about Winnipeg's Community Safety Team!

The Winnipeg Community Safety Team was established in the fall of 2023 as part of the continuum of emergency and front-line social services in the City. The team of Safety Officers work alongside Winnipeg emergency services, safety patrols, and social agencies, employing a trauma-informed approach to their interactions with the public. Safety Officers currently patrol on and around the Winnipeg Transit system, including riding on buses, in marked vehicles, and on-foot around Downtown Transit hubs . Join the session to learn about the City of Win

nipeg's newest safety group.

Presenter:

- **Bob Christmas:** Bob Christmas' public service career spans a broad spectrum of peace-keeping roles across three levels of government and the non-profit sector. In fall of 2023 Bob was appointed to establish Winnipeg's new Community Safety Team. Bob holds a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Winnipeg (1988) and a Joint University of Winnipeg/University of Manitoba Master of Public Administration Degree, which he completed, with distinction, in 2009. Bob went on to complete a Doctorate in Peace and Conflict Studies at the Arthur V. Mauro Center for Peace and Justice, University of Manitoba, and was awarded the Distinguished Dissertation award for 2017."

## Wednesday, December 18, 2024

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### Mental health among the immigrant population in Canada

Date and Time: Wednesday, December 18 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Cost: Free

Registration: [Microsoft Virtual Events Powered by Teams](#)

"The mental health of immigrants, especially that of refugees, is an emerging concern. Research has shown mental health to be a leading cause of hospitalization among Canadian immigrants, especially refugees. This event presents results from collaborative studies between Statistics Canada and IRCC on mental health–related hospitalization among permanent and temporary residents in Canada. It also showcases how linking IRCC administrative data to hospital discharge records can help monitor migrant health and help with policy decisions.

The presentation aims to answer three important questions:

- How do mental health–related hospitalization rates among permanent residents vary by admission class, year of arrival and region of origin?
- Is the pattern of mental health hospitalization different between permanent residents and temporary residents?
- What other health conditions brought immigrants and temporary residents to hospitals besides mental health?"

### Unaccompanied Refugee Minors (URMs) Affected by Substance Use

Date and Time: Wednesday, December 18 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

Cost: Free

Registration: [Webinar Registration - Zoom](#)

"What will this webinar cover?"

Service providers and foster parents may face challenges or feel unprepared when assisting URMs dealing with substance use. This webinar will explore the complexities of substance use among URMs and equip providers and caregivers with effective strategies. It will also provide a brief overview of substance use disorder (SUD) and its prevalence in the countries where URMs commonly originate.

Participants will gain insights into the cultural and contextual factors that influence substance use among URM s, including the effects of migration trauma, acculturation stressors, and stigma. The session will focus on the significance of promoting empathetic strategies and encouraging non-judgmental discussions about substance use. The strategies explored will promote resilience, encourage healthy coping mechanisms, and emphasize the value of open dialogue about substance use.

Is this webinar for me?

This webinar will benefit direct service providers and foster parents who work with URM s, along with URM supporters such as volunteers and school staff. This webinar will not include information on diagnosing SUD in a clinical setting; instead, it is intended to be an introductory level webinar for educational and supportive services.

Why should I participate?

After participating in this 75-minute session, you will be able to: -Explain SUD and the prevalence of substance use in countries where URM s commonly originate -Analyze the cultural and contextual factors influencing substance use among URM s -Identify supportive strategies that foster resilience, encourage healthy coping mechanisms, and promote non-judgmental conversations about URM s' experiences with substance use"

## **FA.I.R FOR ALL: AI'S IMPACT ON SETTLEMENT & LANGUAGE LEARNING**

Date and Time: Wednesday, December 18 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm

Cost: Free

Registration: [FA.I.R FOR ALL: AI'S IMPACT ON SETTLEMENT & LANGUAGE LEARNING - ARAISA](#)

**"This innovative webinar series by ARAISA & ISANS is dedicated to guiding and demonstrating the potential of generative AI technology in the settlement and integration sector.** You will find out AI can significantly enhance the settlement and integration experience for our clients and colleagues, helping to reduce client waitlists, shorten wait times, and lighten workloads—a win-win for everyone!

**From September 2024 to March 2025, join us for the whole series or for a few webinars!** You'll gain practical insights and guidance and explore the latest AI technologies and processes currently employed in the settlement and integration sector. The series covers a variety of topics, including appropriate client use, new tools for language instructors, and ethical guidelines such as Digital Citizenship and technology standards.

**This webinar series aims to serve as a platform for regional knowledge exchange, collaboration, and innovation by bringing together local experts, practitioners, and stakeholders from across the country to address the dynamic and evolving subject of integrating AI in our sector.**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED FOR EACH SESSION.**

If you have any questions, please contact David Neilsen, Supervisor, Language Services, at [dneilsen@isans.ca](mailto:dneilsen@isans.ca)

- SEPTEMBER 18, 2024 | "FASTER:" Federal Guidelines, Considerations and Practical Examples of AI's Emergence in the Settlement Sector
- OCTOBER 16, 2024 | Tools & Rules: AI for Innovative Language Instruction, Guidelines for Instructors, and Ethical Considerations
- NOVEMBER 20, 2024 | Share practical strategies to use AI in and outside of the classroom and discuss common pitfalls – Part I
- DECEMBER 18, 2024 | Share practical AI experiences and next steps in building a community of practice- Part II

- JANUARY 15, 2025 | Working Smarter: Effective Material Production & Tailoring EAL Instruction to Individual Needs
- FEBRUARY 19, 2025 | Addressing AI Use in Asynchronous Writing Tasks: Instructor Strategies & Program Adaptations
- MARCH 19, 2025 | Future Trends: AI in Education: Predict How AI Will Shape Language Learning, Classroom Dynamics, and Teacher Roles"

<https://calendar.newcomernavigation.ca>