



Metis Commission for Children and Families of BC & Metis Nation of BC  
Together host:

“Provincial Metis Child & Family Framework Focus Groups  
Discussions from the Community”

**REGISTRATION FORM**

**DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION SEPTEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>, 2010 RSVP**

Date: **September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2010**  
Location: **30691 Simpson Road, Abbotsford BC**  
Venue: **AGM**

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Title:	Name:	Location:	
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**Focus Group Registration (Please Check)**

**Day 1 Friday September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2010 3:00pm-5:00pm**

**Provincial Metis Child & Family Services Framework: Research Project**

The Metis Commission for Children and Families of BC and the Metis Nation of BC will jointly carry out the objectives of the project as collaborative partners in the overall work plan.

The intent of the focus groups is to research, develop, implement and evaluate a Provincial Metis Service Delivery Model that is based on Traditional Metis values, practices and ways of knowing. This will be a four-phase initiative and year one is to conduct the research project. The research is a central objective of this project to approach this consultation, research and community dialogue from a Metis specific perspective. Dialogue will be taking place throughout BC through focus groups made up from Metis parents, foster parents, caregivers, members, Metis Elders, Metis Child and Family Service agency managers and staff, Metis Commissioners and MCFD Managers and staff.

## **Provincial Focus Group Team:**

1. Kathy Hinter-Focus Group Facilitator
2. Janice Mercredi- Research Writer/Quality Assurance Coordinator

**Thank you for participating in our Provincial Focus Groups!**

### **For More Information:**

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If you require further information regarding Focus group content, contact Lisa  
By telephone or email the above emails.

**REGISTRATION – To register, please complete the registration form and submit by fax to:  
(250) 372-9111 or email to [socialworker@metiscommission.com](mailto:socialworker@metiscommission.com)**

**Confirmation of registration will be sent either by email or by fax prior to the event.**

### **Closing Date:**

**Final registration: September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

## **Metis Nation of BC 2010 Annual General Meeting Information:**

Friday September 24<sup>th</sup>- Sunday September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010

“Building Our Future Together”

Metis Skills and Employment Centre  
30691 Simpson Road, Abbotsford BC

## Biographies:

### **We would like to welcome and introduce our team on the Research Project**

#### Kathy Hinter-Focus Group Facilitator



Kathy Hinter is from the Métis Nation and has worked in Aboriginal health and wellness for the past sixteen years. Some of her previous work includes: child protection, community development and Aboriginal child and youth mental health. Kathy is also a member of the Interior Metis Child and Family Services Board of Directors and served as Vice President of the Board of Directors for Knucwentwecw Child and Family Services in the past. Kathy is a certified Applied Suicide and Intervention Skills (ASIST) trainer and has visited many communities throughout the Interior Region delivering this training in Aboriginal communities. Kathy is married to a man from the Secwepemc Nation and has one son who lives in Kamloops with her and her husband, Jayson.

#### Janice Mercredi -Writer / Quality Assurance Coordinator



Janice (Mercredi) Murphy is a Métis woman of French, Cree, Chipewyan and Irish ancestry from Fort Smith NWT who now resides in Vernon BC. Janice's 19 years of experience in the human services field includes community living; mental health and addictions; program development and evaluation; and community development. She has experience in clinical practice, management, supervision, research and planning. She holds a Bachelor of Social Work degree With Distinction from the University of Victoria and a Master of Social Work degree from UBC. She is an international Behavioural Health and Child and Youth Services accreditation surveyor for CARF and an experienced sessional instructor for the Schools of Social Work at Thompson Rivers University and University of British Columbia Okanagan. Janice has two grown children and three grandchildren.