



Be More than a Bystander & Sashing our Warriors

September 13, 2019

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

- I. Breakfast Buffet (Room 101): 8:30 AM – 9:00 AM**
- II. Opening Prayer & Remarks (Room 204-206): 9:00 AM – 9:30 AM**
 - a) Métis Elder, Tom McCallum – Opening Prayer
 - b) Madame President – Opening Remarks
 - c) MWBC Provincial Chair, Victoria Pruden – Trauma-informed Care Overview
 - d) Corporal Susan Boyes – RCMP Reconciliation and Family Violence Initiatives
- III. Optional Programs: 9:30 AM – 10:45 AM**
 - a) Be More than a Bystander (Room 204-206) – *BC Lions: JR LaRose & Will Loftus*
Inclusive of a Q&A period and a closing prayer (10:30 – 10:45) with Facilitators and Male Métis Elders
Male-identifying attendees are encouraged to participate in this presentation hosted by Ending Violence Association BC (EVA BC) and facilitated by the BC Lions. The presentation will focus on the importance of creating a safe environment for individuals, what it means to be more than a bystander, and how people can initiate change.
 - b) Sashing our Warriors (Room 102) – *Researchers: Dr. Natalie Clark, Patricia Barakas, & Robbi Forsythe*
Inclusive of a Q&A period and a closing prayer (10:30 – 10:45) with Facilitators and Female Métis Elders
Woman-identifying attendees are encouraged to participate in this presentation hosted by the Sashing our Warriors Researchers. The presentation will focus on a high-level overview of and next steps for the Sashing our Warriors research which was the result of over 495 survey responses from Métis women and girls across the Province regarding their experience of violence.
- IV. Optional Debrief & Emotional Support with Michif/Métis Elders (Room 102): 10:45 AM – 12:00 PM**

Note: Material will be shared during these sessions that might bring up memories, thoughts or feelings that can be settled with appropriate supports. In our commitment to being trauma informed, we have options available to support grounding and emotional regulation. These options include time with elders in an optional group, one to one time with elders, or with professional counsellors. Should you require counselling support throughout this event there will be two counsellors available - one in Room 202 and one in Room 203 from 9 AM to 1 PM.

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