



ABORIGINAL INFANT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

3rd Quarter Report

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Activity Report from the
Aboriginal Infant Development Program
Provincial Advisor

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To:
Ministry of Children and Family Development
And
B.C. Association of Aboriginal Friendship Centres



AIDP Professionals at Vancouver Island Regional In-Service
(November 4th, 2016)

The Third Quarter:

Fall has been an interesting quarter. I travel less during these later months mostly due to winter weather and programming for AIDP as they begin to celebrate christmas holidays and program and office closures. There is still lots of committee work that keeps me busy. I enjoyed attending the Vancouver Island and Fraser S/E regional in-services and Vancouver/Coastal networking meeting.

Time was spend communicating the availability of the new AIDP Practice Guidelines Manual that is available on the AIDP website for downloading. Hard copies were provided to the AIDP regional advisors.

Also during this time, we were approached by MCFD to see if our office would be interested in hosting an IDP/AIDP/SCD/ASCD provincial in-service... before March 31st! Knowing that June 2103 was the last provincial gathering, and that many professionals from all programs, particularly IDP and AIDP continue to enquire about an in-service, we agreed to host an in-service with all regional advisors as the planning committee. We anticipate a lot of extra work between now and March 31st but we are prepared to do it with support from an events coordinator. We will continue with in-service planning in January as we monitor registration from programs and regions according to the travel subsidy criteria to we agree to very soon. The venue has is secured and the "Save the Date" announcement has gone out to all programs through all regional advisors and is posted in our website.

This is also the time that the RFP for our AIDP/ASCD provincial office contract went out on BCBid. BCAAFC submitted a proposal and we should here by mid-January if they were successful in keeping the contract. We appreciated having input to the RFP process and hope for the best.

I took my last week of vacation in December and the BCAAFC Office was closed for the holidays from December 21st to January 3rd inclusive.

It will be back to lots of work and planning for the in-service January!



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STATUS OF CONTRACT DELIVERABLES AND ACTIVITIES:



Committee/Meetings Attended:

October:

1. Oct. 4th – Caroline Moore – new Aboriginal Advisor at CLBC – Victoria office
2. Oct. 5th – BCHCDA – by conference call and Go To Meeting
3. Oct. 6th – ACT – Parent Coaching Intervention Research Project Committee – by phone
4. Oct. 6th – Early Years working group – Domestic Violence Tool Kit – in person, Victoria
5. Oct. 12th – Danielle Smith and Nadine - Opportunity for hosting a provincial in-service – by phone
6. Oct. 13th – ICDA AGM – invited by Laurie Russell – by conference call
7. Oct. 17th – AIDP Regional Advisor Meeting – in person – Vancouver
8. Oct. 18th – AIDP/ASCD Provincial Steering Committee – in person – Vancouver
9. Oct. 24th – IIECD Gathering – Final meeting after gathering – by phone
10. Oct. 24th – Safe Baby Court Team – Conference Planning – by phone
11. Oct. 27th – Professional Development Committee – by phone
12. Oct. 31st – Caroline Moore and Nadine – introductions with Nadine taking my place on the CLBC Aboriginal Advisory Committee



I took time off October 20th and 21st in preparation for my son's wedding on the 20th

November:

1. Nov. 2nd – RFP Discussions – Carl, Nadine, Donna Michal – in person – Victoria office
2. Nov. 3rd – ECCT – committee planning to host a conference, tentatively in May – by phone
3. Nov. 7th – lunch meeting – Sonya Vellet, Dana Brynelsen, Michelle Aderem – meeting prep
4. Nov. 7th – Meeting with MCFD reps regarding engagement and support for the Safe Baby Court Teams and future conference
5. Nov. 17th – Provincial In-Service Planning – first call of many with regional advisors
6. Nov. 21st – Safe Court Teams – by phone
7. Nov. 23rd – Early Years Working Group – Domestic Violence Took Kit revisions
8. Nov. 28th – Provincial In-Service Planning – by phone

December:

1. Dec. 1st – Infant and Early Childhood Court Team – conference planning – by phone
2. Dec. 1st – RFP working group meeting – in person – Victoria Office
3. Dec. 6th – Early Years Conference – planning – by phone
4. Dec. 16th – ECCT conference planning – by phone
5. Dec. 19th – Provincial in-service planning – by phone
6. Dec. 19th – PCRPP Steering Committee – by phone
7. Dec. 19th – Early Years Domestic Violence took kit – by phone
8. Dec. 19th – RFP final review before submission – in person – Victoria office
9. Dec. 20th – Yvette Bolduc – check in re: provincial in-service – by phone

Last week of vacation and office holiday closures in December.



Workshops/Conferences/Gatherings (other):

November:

- Nov. 4th – Vancouver Island regional In-Service – Nanaimo
- Nov. 9th – BCANDS Anniversary Celebration – in person – Esquimalt
- Nov. 11th – BCACCS Conference – workshop presenter – Richmond
- Nov. 16th – Inclusion B.C. Conference – in person – Vancouver
- Nov. 17th – Fraser S/E Regional In-Service – in person – Abbotsford
- Dec. 5th – Vancouver/Coastal North – AIDP regional meeting – Vancouver

All three of the regional gatherings were great! Information by MCFD was shared on Vancouver Island and mental health was the topic at Fraser S/E. Vancouver/Coastal North was a meeting for all to come together to network and participate in the professional development planning for the coming year. I was happy to attend.



Other Program Supports:

- Requests for AIDP Manual from AIDP staff and supervisors (it is downloadable from our website: www.aidp.bc.ca)
- Information regarding Professional Development Funds (how to apply, when to apply, i.e. Registration deadline is in the fiscal year, but training isn't until next fiscal)
- Calls requesting information on the provincial in-service after sending out the "Save the Date"
- Job postings, information regarding hiring practice for AIDP
- Recruitment practices, a program did not get any qualified resumes from a job posting that has now been extended.
- Enquiries about DAYC-2 assessment training



AIDP/ASCD Provincial Office Projects:

IDP/AIDP/SCD/ASCD Provincial In-Service: Planning continues. The in-service dates are Monday, February 27th to Wednesday, March 1st

AIDP 25th Anniversary: Due to budget constraints, this will be hosted at the provincial in-service by invitation only for AIDP.

AIDP Policy Manual Revision: Complete and officially on our website for download.

AIDP Data Collection: To begin in March after provincial in-service

IIECD Gathering 2016: Evaluation/Reporting complete.

Professional Development Funds: The annual \$40,000.00 budget has pretty much been spent in this 3rd quarter. It is a possibility that we will not be able to meet the needs of everyone for the remainder of the year.

Partnerships Project:

(Coordinated by Nadine and Elaine) I defer to Nadine Gagne-L'Hirondelle for this report.



What's ahead?

- Continued provincial in-service planning. A number of conference calls have taken place and we anticipate an increase in phone calls as we work on providing a quality in-serve with fair and equitable travel subsidy for all four programs. We have not agreed to a formula but it will be in place by the time the registration package goes out in early January.
- Planning for the 25th AIDP anniversary celebrations. Guests who have been on this journey since the beginning will be invited to attend.
- AIDP data collection – the questionnaire will go out in early March. It will be much shorter this year. I plan to follow up by phone those who do not participate in the online survey.
- Year-end planning as we wait to hear about the RFP in the New Year.
- Discussion regarding bringing the coordination of the Professional Development Funds internal. A sub-contractor to this point has coordinated it. Will have to determine a smooth transition if that time comes.

ACRONYMS used in this report:

1. BCAAFC – B.C. Association of Aboriginal Friendship Centres
2. IIECD – International Indigenous Early Childhood Gathering
3. ACT – Autism Community Training
4. BCACCS – B. C. Aboriginal Child Care Society
5. CLBC – Community Living B.C.
6. ACT – Autism Community Training
7. PCRCP – Parent Coaching Research Project
8. ICDA – Infant and Child Development Association
9. ECCT – Early Childhood Court Team

We will wait patiently to hear about the BCAAFC application for our office. I plan on two weeks vacation in January but I look forward to the provincial in-service in February and our anniversary celebration.

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