



Call for poster abstracts

Gathering for miyomahcihowin and mii yoo naa kaa twayh ta mihk

Submission background information

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miyo mahcihowin (Cree) – physical, mental, emotional and spiritual wellness

mii yoo naa kaa twayh ta mihk (Michif) – thinking with a clear mind

Register now

March 24-26, 2020

Saskatoon Inn, 2002 Airport Drive Saskatoon, SK

The University of Saskatchewan's Health Science Colleges and Schools are committed to exploring, supporting, and creating paths to reconciliation with the Indigenous peoples (First Nations, Métis, and Inuit) of Saskatchewan. To support this reconciliation, long-term, authentic, sustainable relationships are necessary. We believe that by learning from and with each other, best and wise practices can be developed to address the current health challenges experienced by Indigenous peoples. This Gathering is a conference-style event that is intentionally planned to showcase and uplift Indigenous worldviews. This Gathering will showcase approaches to developing reciprocal, respectful partnerships.

The planning committee is engaging with Indigenous community members, inviting them to identify health priorities and strengths-based approaches to wellness to set the foundation for this event. A diverse audience that includes Elders, *kēhtē ayak* (Knowledge Keepers), students, community members, health care providers and health service organizations are being invited to the Gathering.

This Gathering will focus on the five health priorities identified by Indigenous Peoples (First Nations, Métis and Inuit).

Health Priority Areas

1. **Mental wellness**
2. **Recovery from addictions**
3. **Living well with chronic conditions**
4. **Promising approaches to wellness**
5. **Healthy environments (food security, clean water, safe housing and access to healthcare)**

Event Goals

1. Share up to date information and promising practices about identified health issues.
2. Showcase and model reciprocal, respectful partnerships grounded in a holistic approach to health across generations.
3. Provide an opportunity for the University of Saskatchewan (USask) to strengthen existing relationships, establish new relationships, and to consolidate collaborative relationships with the Indigenous peoples and communities in Saskatchewan.
4. Provide an opportunity for researchers and community members to observe best and wise practice models for establishing mutually beneficial partnerships that can address the TRC: Calls to Action related to the gaps in health outcomes between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Canadians.
5. Demonstrate Usask's commitment to providing relevant education and research that will benefit Indigenous peoples' wellness.
6. Provide an opportunity for students to find mentors via the Saskatchewan Indigenous Mentorship Network Program to Address TRC Call to Action 23 to increase the numbers of Aboriginal Health professionals and increase the cultural competency of all other health professionals.

All other materials are the responsibility of the Presenter.



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Presenter Information

* 1. What is your first name?

* 2. What is your surname?

3. What institution are you affiliated with (if any)?

* 4. Please describe your Indigenous Affiliation.

* 5. At what email address would you like to be contacted?

6. What is the best phone number to contact you?

* 7. Please enter the poster presenter's brief biography (approximately 250 words)



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Please tell us about your proposed presentation

* 8. Please indicate the health priority area(s) that your presentation most closely links to

- Mental wellness
- Recovery from addictions
- Living well with chronic conditions
- Promising approaches to wellness
- Healthy environments (food security, clean water, safe housing and access to healthcare)

* 9. What is the title of your poster presentation?

* 10. Please enter your poster abstract (500 words max).

11. Do you require any special accommodations for your presentation?

12. Is there any other information you wish to share with the planning committee?



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Thank you

Thank you for your interest in presenting at *Gathering for miyomahcihowin and mii yoo naa ka twayh ta mihk*.

The key dates for updates on your submission are posted on [The Gathering's event website](#).

The deadline is midnight February 9, 2020

Questions can be directed to Crystal Maslin via email at crystal.maslin@ussask.ca or telephone at 306-966-7823.