Welcome, this web conference will begin soon.

WALKING IN BALANCE WITH ALL OUR RELATIONS: LEADERSHIP FROM AND PARTNERSHIPS WITH INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES TO END GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE AND RESTORE WELLBEING

Thursday, September 9, 2021
11 AM-12:30 PM PT/2 PM-3:30 PM ET
Meet the PreventConnect Team

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How to use Zoom

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PreventConnect

- Domestic violence/intimate partner violence
- Sexual violence
- Violence across the lifespan, including child sexual abuse
- Prevent before violence starts
- Connect to other forms of violence and oppression
- Connect to other prevention practitioners
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Objectives

- Learn about an approach to sexual and domestic violence prevention that is rooted in Indigenous values and practices of walking in balance with all our relations and protecting Mother Earth.
- Make connections between Indigenous led transformative movements and public health strategies for safety and wellbeing.
- Identify opportunities for non-Indigenous people, organizations, and efforts to honor Indigenous leadership and show up in solidarity and right relationship without contributing to the harms of appropriation and cooptation.
1. Visit https://native-land.ca/
   Input your zip code to find the Indigenous Tribes that were and are stewards of their ancestral and often unceded land.

2. Rename yourself on Zoom to include your name, pronouns, and the Indigenous land you live on.
   Ex. Zack Tarro, he/him/his, Ohlone Territory
As an introduction, please share your:

- name
- home
- an ancestor

Text Chat Question
Meet the Speakers

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The mission of VBCIC is to prevent domestic and sexual violence and other interpersonal violence in the tribal, intertribal, and multicultural communities in the Northeast, which includes Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Vermont, Maine, Connecticut, Rhode Island, and New York, as well as nationally.

Photo credit: Visioning B.E.A.R. webpage
What is resonating for you about what Strong Oak has shared about Visioning B.E.A.R.’s values and practices?
Consent and reciprocity in all relationships

Photo credit: Visioning B.E.A.R. Facebook page
Walking in Balance Training

- Treat Mother Earth, plants, and animals like they have the same rights as human beings.
- Engage in relationships based on reciprocity with all beings.
- Relate to others based on empathy and compassion.

Cultivate compassion, empathy, reciprocity, and respect in all our relations to Mother Earth and all beings.

Uphold the perspective that harm can be healed and prevented, that it is not inevitable or [irreparable].

Facilitate connection between people and among people, Mother Earth, and all other beings.

Support others to identify their truths and have a voice in decisions that affect their lives.

- Frame harm and violence in ways that account for their systemic aspects.
- Issue broad invitations for participation in the program.
- Engage in community, relationships, and program development in ways intended to prevent violence.

Interrupt harm with healing intent for all involved.
Work through conflicts with courage and honesty.
Listen to others without interrupting or judging them.
Create spaces and opportunities to decrease isolation of people from each other and other beings.

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Chat harvest

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Support + Enrich + Sustain

Our mission is to facilitate the collaboration of community entities and to develop programs that support, enrich, and sustain healthy community life.

Let’s Get Started.

Photo credit: McKinleyville Family Resource Center Facebook and webpage
Solidarity with and Honoring Indigenous Communities
Does your organization partner with Indigenous leaders or organizations or engage in other activities to work in solidarity with Indigenous communities?
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Indigenous-Led Movements & Public Health Strategies for Wellbeing

Source: https://www.nature.org/en-us/magazine/magazine-articles/indigenous-controlled-burns-california/

Source: https://www.northforkrancheria-nsn.gov/

Source: https://www.facebook.com/karukpeople/

Source: https://www.yuroktribe.org/
Discussion with the Speakers

How does your work connect to the public health field? And how does your work help to evolve public health values and practices?

What do you want non-Indigenous people and organizations working on SDV prevention to know and do to honor Indigenous leadership?
What questions do you have for our presenters?

Text Chat Question
Tools & Resources

- “What Good is a Land Acknowledgement?” by Dr. Cutcha Risling Baldy (Hupa)
Tools & Resources

- Whose land are you on? Text to Find Out - Native Land Digital
  - 907-312-5085, text zip code
Tools & Resources

- 2018 Humboldt County Community Health Assessment - Humboldt County Department of Health & Human Services, Public Health
Tools & Resources

- Baseline Racial Equity Report 2020-2021 - McKinleyville Racial Equity Alliance
Tools & Resources

- Using an Indigenous Circle Process for Evaluation (Podcast) - Visioning B.E.A.R. and NSVRC

In this episode, NSVRC’s Evaluation Coordinator Sally Laskey has an in-depth conversation with Strong Oak Lefebvre, Executive Director and co-founder of the Visioning B.E.A.R. Circle Intertribal Coalition (VBCIC). Listen as they discuss VBCIC’s prevention curriculum “Walking in Balance With All Our Relations” and how they incorporated Indigenous values and processes into a new model for evaluation.
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