

Indigenous Services Canada

2023 Ontario Joint Gathering

November 15-16, 2023 | Toronto, ON Livestream link: sfns.on.ca/jointgathering2023

To submit questions in advance: onregionchiefsupdates@sac-isc.gc.ca

Welcome Reception

November 14, 2023 4:30-6:00 pm | Mountbatten B

Enjoy light refreshments and performances by Snye Creek Drum and Snake Family & Friends

Early registration and delegate package pickup





| | 15, 2023 – Day One | |
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| 8:00-9:00 | Hot Breakfast and Registration | |
| 9:00-9:30 | Opening Drum Snye Creek Drum and Greetings from Emcee Biindigegizhig, Daniel Deleary | Churchill |
| | Opening Smudge by Knowledge Keeper Migizi-Gikinoo-Aagew Inini Mark Sault, Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation | |
| | Welcoming Remarks Chief Stacey Laforme, Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation | |
| 9:30-9:50 | Regional Address Ontario Regional Chief Glen Hare, Chiefs of Ontario | Churchill |
| 9:50-10:30 | Indigenous Services Canada Regional Report Out Lisa Westaway, Regional Executive FNIHB and Michael O'Byrne, Regional Director General | Churchill |
| 10:30-10:45 | Health Break / Visit Exhibitors | |
| 10:45-11:15 | Missanabie Cree Emergency Evacuation Center Chief Gauthier, Missanabie Cree First Nation Joseph Sayers, General Manager, Missanabie Cree Business Corporation | Churchill |
| 11:15-12:00 | Province of Ontario Leadership Delegation Deputy Minister Drew Vanderduim, Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry ADM Greg Hein, Strategic Policy, Planning and French Language Services, Ministry of Health ADM Heather Levecque, Emergency Management Operations, Emergency Management Ontario ADM Candice Telfer, Negotiations and Reconciliation Division, Indigenous Affairs Ontario | Churchill |
| 12:00-1:00 | Lunch / Visit Exhibitors / Visit Flu and COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic | |
| 1:00-2:00 | Concurrent Session on Health Transformation | Churchill |
| | Abby Robinson, Health Transformation Senior Manager, FNIHB ISC, Ontario Region | |
| | Concurrent Session on Climate Change Updates and Funding Opportunities with ECCC Edna Urrego Pineros and Mireille Chaput-Dyer, Environment and Climate Change Canada | Mountbatten |
| 2:00-3:00 | Concurrent Session on Child and Family Services Lexie Halls and Taia Tarvainen, CFS Regional Program Managers, Ontario Region, ISC | Churchill |
| | Concurrent Session on Economic Development Programs and Success Stories Joel Lafrance, Manager, Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario Ron Begin, Initiatives Officer, Federal Economic Development Agency for Northern Ontario | Mountbatten |
| 3:00-3:15 | Health Break / Visit Exhibitors | |
| 3:15-4:10 | Presentation on Mental Wellness Amid Toxic Drugs Crisis Opening remarks by Elder Jane Anne Chartrand, Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation Dr. Carol Hopkins, Chief Executive Officer, Thunderbird Partnership Mikhayla Patterson, Mental Health and Addictions Manager, M'Chigeeng First Nation | Churchill |
| 4:10-4:20 | ISC Leadership Reflections of Day One of the Joint Gathering Senior Assistant Deputy Minister Joanne Wilkinson, Regional Operations, ISC Senior Assistant Deputy Minister Candice St-Aubin, FNIHB, ISC | Churchill |
| 4:20-4:30 | Closing by Knowledge Keeper Migizi-Gikinoo-Aagew Inini Mark Sault, Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation Closing Drum Snye Creek Drum | Churchill |







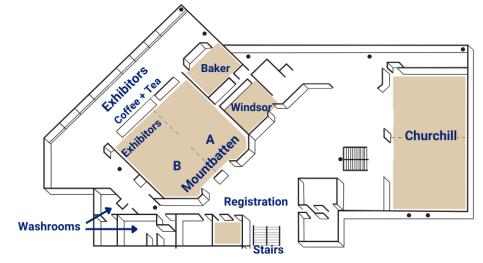
| November 16, 2023 – Day Two | | | | |
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| 8:00-9:00 | Hot Breakfast | | | |
| 9:00-9:10 | Opening Smudge Knowledge Keeper W' dae b' wae Mike Ormsby, Curve Lake First Nation | Churchill | | |
| 9:10-9:20 | Morning Welcome and Remarks from First Nations and Inuit Health Branch Assistant Deputy Minister Jennifer Wheatley, First Nations and Inuit Health Branch, ISC | Churchill | | |
| 9:20-9:30 | Celebrating First Nation Leadership Diane Bain, Associate Regional Director General, Regional Operations, ISC | Churchill | | |
| 9:30-10:15 | Ontario's Roadmap to Wellness: Mental Health and Addictions System The Honourable Michael Tibollo, Associate Minister of Mental Health and Addictions | Churchill | | |
| 10:15-10:30 | Health Break / Visit Exhibitors | | | |
| 10:30-11:00 | Ontario First Nations Young Peoples Council | Churchill | | |
| | Ariel Berwick, Alex Calvert, Pierre Debassige, Paul Porter, and Katelyn Peters | | | |
| 11:00-12:00 | New Fiscal Relationship Grant | Churchill | | |
| | Michelle Parsons, New Fiscal Relationship Grant Operations Manager, ISC | | | |
| 12:00-1:00 | Lunch / Visit Exhibitors / Visit Flu and COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic | | | |
| 1:00-2:00 | Concurrent Session on Proposed Updates to the Centralized Drinking Water Protocol, Tendering Policy Review and Infrastructure Modernization | Churchill | | |
| | Associate Assistant Deputy Minister Paula Hadden-Jokiel, Regional Operations, ISC Chad Aramburo, Associate Regional Director General, Regional Operations, ISC | | | |
| | Concurrent Session on Integrated Emergency Services Linda Debassige, Mathew Hoppe, and Nick Rhone, Independent First Nations Alliance | Mountbatten | | |
| 2:00-3:00 | Concurrent Session on How to Access Non-Insured Health Benefits Julie Caves, Senior Manager, ISC FNIHB, Ontario Region | Churchill | | |
| | Concurrent Session on Responsibilities of Federal Departments in Protecting Waterways and Marine Ecosystems Transport Canada, Canadian Coast Guard, Fisheries and Oceans Canada, and Environment | Mountbatten | | |
| | and Climate Change Canada Representatives | | | |
| 3:00-3:15 | Health Break / Visit Exhibitors | | | |
| 3:15-4:00 | Reflections on Community Safety | Churchill | | |
| | Indigenous Police Chiefs of Ontario | | | |
| 4:00-4:15 | Closing by Knowledge Keeper W' dae b' wae Mike Ormsby, Curve Lake | Churchill | | |
| | Closing Drum Snye Creek Drum | | | |
| 4:15-4:30 | Visit Exhibitors | | | |







2nd floor



Mountbatten A is reserved for Chiefs to hold meetings except during concurrent sessions from 1-3 pm.

3rd floor



COVID-19 and flu vaccine clinic available in the Austen Room on the 3rd floor from 10 am to 4:15 pm.

Exhibitors

2-Spirited People of the First Nations

Artisans Market

Canada Border Services Agency

Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation

Canada Revenue Agency

Canadian Armed Forces

Chiefs of Ontario - Health

Chiefs of Ontario - Women's Initiatives

Employment and Social Development Canada - Service Canada

Environment and Climate Change Canada

Federal Economic Development Agency for Northern Ontario

Federal Economic Development Agency for Southern Ontario

First Peoples Wellness Circle

governWISE Alliance

Indigenous Institutes Consortium

Indigenous Services Canada - Community Infrastructure Branch

Indigenous Services Canada - Estates

Indigenous Services Canada - FNIHB Ontario

Indigenous Services Canada - Individual Affairs Branch Indigenous Services Canada - Jordan's Principle

Indigenous Services Canada - New Fiscal Relationship

Secretariat

Indigenous Services Canada - Ontario Regional Operations

and Communications

Indigenous Services Canada - Trust Moneys

Medicine Lines of Womanhood - MMIWG Commemorative

Art Project from the Ontario Native Women's Association

Ministry of the Attorney General

Ministry of Northern Development

Nutrition North Canada

Ontario Health

Public Services and Procurement Canada

Thunderbird Partnership Foundation

Transport Canada





