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# Seeing the Light Conference 2017

Please return registration forms to Rachel Quinn, Special Events Coordinator, on or before **November 17, 2017**.

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Dietary Restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

Accessibility Requirements: \_\_\_\_\_

## AGENDA

### Morning:

### Reconciliation: An Inuit Perspective Inuit Transition to the South

### Afternoon:

### Please Choose 1 Afternoon Workshop:

- A. Traditional and Modern Inuit Families**  
Culture and traditions shape how children are raised and cared for. Inuit families have changed over the past 100 years as a result of colonialism, residential schooling, and in some cases, migration to urban settings. Learn how children were raised before contact, how families have changed, and culturally appropriate practice when working with Inuit families.
- B. We are not Blank Slates**  
Inuit students share their personal stories of intergenerational trauma and its effect on their lives and their education.
- C. Creating Safe and Welcoming Spaces**  
This workshop will look to the future of education for Inuit while acknowledging the past. It will assist teachers and school professionals in creating learning environments that are reflective of the students, and use culture as a tool for learning.
- D. Communication and Language**  
Did you know that the Inuit language uses syllabics instead of an alphabet? If an Inuk raises his eyebrows at you, is that a good thing? Come learn your "i, pi, ti, ki's" along with common words and phrases. We will also discuss common non-verbal cues and what they mean to help you communicate better with your Inuit clients and provide client-centred care.

Conference Venue: Aboriginal Education Centre, 16 Phin Avenue, Toronto, Ontario, M4J 3T2 (former Eastern Commerce Collegiate School). Parking is limited. We strongly encourage transit by TTC subway via Donlands Station.

Please contact us in advance with accessibility requirements, so we can accommodate. Wheel chair and mobility-focused access requires a temporary special access that requires advanced coordination.



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