

ALBERT W. McLEOD

HIGHLIGHTS OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Proposal writing and program/project management
 - Education and group facilitation for youth and adults
 - Cross-cultural networking, education, and planning
 - Knowledge of Indigenous history, culture and contemporary issues
 - Ability to develop innovative (visual, ecological and cultural) teaching tools
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RELEVANT SKILLS

Administrative

- Responsible for office management, filing, accounting and budgeting
- Excellent data research, proof-reading and report writing skills

Computer

- Proficient in the use of Word, WordPerfect, PowerPoint, internet research and E-mail
- Webinar presenter, Facebook groups, website host, Twitter and photographer

Coordination/Management

- Coordinated community-based projects including proposal writing, liaising with funding bodies, staff supervision, work plan delivery and evaluation
- Planning and coordination of conferences for up to 300 participants
- Facilitation of Indigenous cultural ceremonies, teachings and practices

Communication/Interpersonal

- Public speaker – presentation of abstracts at local, regional, and international conferences
- Networking experience within Manitoba and across Canada through cultural and health organizations and government departments
- Problem-solving and conflict resolution

Fundraising

- Experience in promotion and raising funds for various community projects and events
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WORK HISTORY

Spiritual/Cultural Care Provider: 8/17 - present

Indigenous Health Services, WRHA – Provide spiritual and cultural support to Indigenous patients in WRHA hospitals and health centres. Provide smudging and pipe ceremonies, one-on-one visitations with a focus on mental health and spiritual needs. Coordination of seasonal ceremonies at various sites and collection of sacred medicines.

Project Manager: 8/15 - 03/16

Social Planning Council of Winnipeg – Winnipeg Plan to End Youth Homelessness; co-facilitate project steering committee; conduct research and focus groups with youth and key stakeholders; organize events and write reports and draft plan.

Community Development Consultant: 03/14 - present

AWM Productions - Self-employed facilitator focusing on: **INDIGENOUS AWARENESS:** Overviews of the historical and contemporary experiences of Indigenous peoples in Manitoba. Topic areas cover governance, languages, economic development, territories, traditions and cultural practices. **HIV/AIDS:** Updates about the status of the HIV pandemic in Canada and among Indigenous peoples. Information about HIV/AIDS awareness, education, prevention, treatment and support. **TWO-SPIRIT PEOPLE:** Overviews of the historical and contemporary experiences and issues confronting Indigenous lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people. Information about Two-Spirit specific resources and networks in Canada and the US.
www.twospiritmanitoba.ca

Research Coordinator: 07/12 - 09/14

Canadian Indigenous AIDS Network Inc. - Coordinator for Indigenous community-based research project, "Sharing the Lay of the Land: Developing an APHA Leadership Intervention Initiative".

Program Manager: 08/12 - 09/13

Menno Simons College - Managed the *Youth Peacebuilding Project* with a team of dialogue facilitators; office management, report writing, staff supervision, financial reporting, and program evaluation. Engagement of Indigenous, newcomer and mainstream youth, ages 16-25.

Community Development Coordinator: 07/10 - 03/12

The 595 Prevention Team Inc. - Provided support for peers and peer-based groups and organizations to address sexually transmitted and blood borne infection (STBBI) issues. Coordination of a peer drop-in program and peer training. Liaise with regional and national peer organizations and networks.

Events and Promotions Consultant: 07/09 - present

Indigenous awareness and cultural adaptation workshop facilitation and project development for various organizations including Success Skills Centre Inc., Ka Kani Kanichihk Inc., Marymount Inc., Frontiers Foundation Manitoba Inc., Red River College, Manitobans for Healing and Reconciliation, and the Lord Selkirk Aboriginal Women's Group.

Team Leader: 12/06 - 06/09

Ka Ni Kanichihk Inc. - Coordination of the *United Against Racism/Aboriginal Youth Circle Program*, a leadership program for Aboriginal youth focusing on cultural reclamation and anti-racism training. Duties included team supervision, public speaking, workshop development, coordination of ceremonial practice and program management.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Ma Mawi Chi Itata Centre Inc.

2014 Nonviolent Crisis Intervention Training
2014 Emergency First AIDS CPR A/B Aider

Ka Ni Kanichihk Inc.

2009 Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders
Vicarious Trauma

Native Women's Association of Canada

2009 Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST)

Assiniboine Community College, Brandon

1975-76 Certificate in Commercial Art

INTERESTS

Circle of Life Thunderbird House	Elders Council, 2016 - present
National Aboriginal Council on HIV/AIDS, PHAC	Co-Chair, 2011 - present
Manitobans for Healing and Reconciliation	Co-Chair, 2009 – present
Youth Suicide Action Team - Daughter Spirit, NWAC	Cultural Mentor, 2008 – 2010
National Anti-Racism Council of Canada Inc.	Board of Director, 2007 – 2009
Two-Spirited People of Manitoba Inc.	Co-Director, 2006 – present

PUBLICATIONS

- 2017 *Spirituality in the Nineties and the Day a Redtail Hawk Feather Fell to Earth*, Red Rising Magazine, Issue 7, October 2017
- 2006 *Aboriginal People, HIV/AIDS and Traditional Healing Resource Guide*, Northern AIDS Initiative, Thompson, Manitoba
- Youth Suicide Prevention and Best Practice Issues, A Discussion Paper*, Northern and Aboriginal Population Health and Wellness Institute, Thompson, Manitoba, (unpublished)
- 2004 *As the Wheel Turns*, In: Living Positive, Canadian AIDS Treatment Information Exchange, Holistic Health Information and Views, Spring/Summer 2004, Volume 6 Issue 4, pp. 15-16
- 2003 *Two Spirit People and HIV/AIDS*, pp. 18-19, *The Experiences of Aboriginal Peoples*, pp. 27-37, In: A New Look at Homophobia and Heterosexism in Canada, Bill Ryan, M. Ed, MSW, Canadian AIDS Society, Ottawa, ISBN 0-921906-00-2
- 1997 HIV/AIDS Teaching Kit, A Resource for Public Health Nurses and Other Health Care Professionals, (in collaboration with Manitoba Health)
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EVENT PLANNING

- May 26, 2011: "Moving Forward Together" – A Day of Healing and Reconciliation, Children of the Earth High School, Manitobans for Healing and Reconciliation, Winnipeg, Manitoba
- September 3-6, 2010: A Gathering of Medicine Stones, 22nd Annual International Two Spirit Gathering, Two-Spirited People of Manitoba Inc., Dr. Jessie Saulteaux Resource Centre, Beausejour, Manitoba
- May 26, 2010: "It starts with me...along with you." – A Day of Healing and Reconciliation, Oodena Celebration Circle, Manitobans for Healing and Reconciliation, The Forks, Winnipeg, Manitoba
- May 24, 2009: "It starts with me." – A Day of Healing and Reconciliation, Oodena Celebration Circle, Manitobans for Healing and Reconciliation, The Forks, Winnipeg, Manitoba
- March 25, 2009: Indigenous Youth, Arts and Liberation, A forum presented by the Aboriginal Youth Cultural Studio, Ka Ni Kanichihk Inc., Winnipeg, Manitoba
- March 25-26, 2008: Bapiiwin (Survival: Overcoming) Aboriginal Peoples and Decolonization: A Dialogue on Cultural Competency, Ka Ni Kanichihk Inc., Winnipeg, Manitoba

Exhibit: National Inquiry into Missing and
Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls

Location/Phase: Part III: Toronto

Witness: Albert W. McLeod

Submitted by: Christa Big Canoe (Commission)

Add'l info: P03P03P0101

Date: JUN 11 2018

Initials

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