

Indigenous early learning and child care framework ^[1]



INDIGENOUS EARLY LEARNING AND CHILD CARE FRAMEWORK

“The Framework was co-developed with Indigenous partners following a comprehensive national engagement process... Through this process, thousands of Indigenous people provided their vision of ELCC for their children, families, communities and cultures.”

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Preamble

The Indigenous Early Learning and Child Care Framework represents the Government of Canada and Indigenous peoples' work to co-develop a transformative Indigenous framework that reflects the unique cultures, aspirations and needs of First Nations, Inuit and Métis children across Canada.

The Framework sets out a shared vision, principles and a path forward for Indigenous early learning and child care—a Canada where all Indigenous children have the opportunity to experience high-quality, culturally rooted early learning and child care programming.

Alongside a distinctions-based approach that respects the specific priorities of First Nations, Inuit and the Métis Nation, the Framework describes an overarching vision for a comprehensive and coordinated early learning and child care system led by Indigenous peoples, establishes shared principles, and includes specific gender and geographic considerations that represent the views of all Indigenous

children and families.

The Framework provides a commitment to collaborate, through real partnerships with Indigenous peoples, enabling Indigenous-led early learning and child care programming for their children and families. It points a way to a present and future where Indigenous peoples determine the programs and services their children need and where all Indigenous children grow up in an enriching environment that helps them meet their full potential.

This is the foundational, shared framework for what is a truly transformative path forward focused on fostering a network of supports for the unique aspirations and needs of Indigenous communities, families and their children. The Indigenous Early Learning and Child Care Framework is, and will continue to be, a shared journey towards transformation—in the spirit of partnership, respect and reconciliation.

Press releases

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