Virtual Gathering On:
PRACTISING SOCIAL WORK FROM A TWO-EYED PERSPECTIVE

Kristen Basque, RSW is a Mi'kmaq Social worker from Eskasoni First Nations, Nova Scotia. Kristen graduated from Dalhousie Maritime School of Social Work in 2002 and was employed with Mi'kmaw Family and Children's Services of Nova Scotia (MFCSNS) as a child protection social worker for several years. In 2005, Kristen returned to work for MFCSNS as coordinator of Family Group Conferencing. She has also worked as a youth customary law worker where she facilitated Youth Justice Circles; and was the Supervisor of the Wikimannej Kikmanaq Family Group Circle Program where she passionately promoted building positive relationships, reconciliation, and healing while empowering families to make decisions for themselves. Currently Kristen is the Manager of Prevention Services at Mi'kmaw Family and Children's Services where she advocates for families in the development of preventative services that embody Mi'kmaw customs, traditions, and values. Kristen resides in Eskasoni with her partner Bertram, their 13-year-old daughter and 9-year-old son.

Topic: Wikimannej Kikmanaq family group circles in child welfare.

Dorene Bernard is a Grassroots Grandmother, from the Sipekne'katik band in Mi'kma'ki. She is a Water Protector, Water Walker, and Survivor of the Shubenacadie Indian Residential School. Her background is in Aboriginal Social Work where she worked for 20 years in Child Welfare and Community Support for Residential School Survivors. She was the Coady International Institute Chair in Social Justice 2017, sharing her teachings on Environmental Racism, Climate Justice, Treaty Rights, Residential School legacy and Reconciliation, including Indigenous social justice issues, Native Child Welfare, Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women/Girls, and Water teachings, inspired and mentored by the late Grandmother Josephine Mandamin, Mother Earth Water Walker. She is a mother of 4 and grandmother to 9 beautiful grandchildren, her motivation to do the work she does

Topic: Understanding historic colonial traumas and current impacts in Indigenous communities.

Ann Sylliboy is from Unama'ki living in Essisoqnik with her three children, partner and a german shepherd. Ann's current role at Mi'kmaw Kina'matnewey is as the post-secondary consultant. Ann is an alumnus of Dalhousie's School of Social Work.

Topic: Social work in our l'nu communities.

Moderator
Gail Baikie is an Assistant Professor at the School of Social Work at Dalhousie University. Gail is of Inuit-Settler heritage and was raised in her traditional territory in Labrador. Her scholarship includes Indigenous and decolonizing methods and practices for research and professional practice.

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