

EduNet Recorded Resource Series Agenda

EduNet Recorded Resource: Risk and Resilience: Understanding How Trafficking and Exploitation Impact Native Youth

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Welcome, Introductions, and Review of Agenda by Midwest Regional CAC
EduNet Presentation

Course Description:

This recorded resource will address the trafficking and exploitation of Indigenous youth. Historical context and current systems of oppression impacting trafficking and exploitation against Indigenous youth will be addressed by the presenter. The presenter will share recommendations on incorporating culture and tradition in building resilience among Indigenous youth. The presentation will also cover how childhood traumatic experiences and systems responses, compounded by current systemic racism, cause harm that is exploited by traffickers and how systems professionals can adjust responses to create the best outcomes throughout the lifespan, including incorporating culturally responsive services into care.

Learning Objectives:

1. Attendees will learn the current status of human trafficking among Indigenous youth
2. Attendees will gain an understanding of how systemic oppression and systems involvement increase vulnerabilities for Indigenous youth
3. Attendees will be able to identify culturally relevant protective factors against trafficking among Indigenous youth and direct ways to connect Indigenous families with these resilience enhancing activities

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Anne LaFrinier-Ritchie, Anishinaabe, works as a Safe Harbor Regional Navigator for Someplace Safe in West Central Minnesota. Anne has been working in the anti-trafficking field in direct services and training and technical assistance since 2016. She is a 2020 graduate of NHTTAC's Human Trafficking Leadership Academy Class 5, which developed recommendations on how culture can be used as a protective factor against human trafficking among Indigenous youth. Anne consults federally on several projects and has created an Indigenous trafficking curriculum. Anne is an active member of the YWCA Cass Clay Racial Justice Committee, serves on the boards for the Indigenous Association of Fargo-Moorhead, YWCA Cass Clay, and Mending the Sacred Hoop, and is a member of Minnesota's MMIR Office Advisory Committee. Anne also provides training and technical assistance on the state and federal levels on providing culturally responsive services to Indigenous youth and families.



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Course Coordinator:

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Sara Lee, Program Manager at sara.lee1@childrensmn.org.



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