

## CALL FOR PAPERS

The Child and Youth Care Association of Alberta is proud to be hosting the International, National and Alberta Provincial Child and Youth Care Conferences, simultaneously in Canmore, Alberta, Canada, October 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

The Council of Canadian Child and Youth Care Associations and the Association of Child and Youth Care Practice are pleased to announce that the Child and Youth Care Association of Alberta will host the 10th Triennial International Child and Youth Care Conference. There is a long standing tradition of the National Child and Youth Care Conference running concurrently with the Internationals when they have been hosted in Canada, making this the 17th bi-annual National conference as well.

Please join us west of Calgary, in spectacular Canmore, Alberta, situated in the magnificent Rocky Mountains, for a professional gathering of Child and Youth Care practitioners and scholars from across Canada and around the world.

The conference theme is “Inspiring Resiliency, building the capacity for resiliency in ourselves, our children, youth and families and in our communities”. The field of Child and Youth Care has a long history of working with those who have experienced trauma and adversity in their lives. Often we ourselves also experience adversity or trauma in our work and personal lives. How do we deal with our own stress, adversity and trauma? How do we help others who suffer significant trauma and loss in their lives?

Child and youth care work requires resilience of its practitioners and tasks them to build the same capacity in those with whom we work. This capacity for resiliency significantly improves ones ability to face challenges and successfully overcome them. It is acquired through self awareness, personal growth, self care and life-long learning. Resiliency factors such as meaningful relationships, pro-social skills and self-care build capacity in a person or group of people to successfully persevere through misfortune, hardships and trauma.

Much of our work in Child and Youth Care requires that we provide effective, trauma-informed care. Each day is a challenge and an inspiration. We invite you to share your stories and practices of building resiliency with us in Canmore at the 2012 International Child and Youth Care Conference. We request that presenters consider a trauma informed/resiliency perspective to their proposal. Other topics to consider are evidence-based practice, innovative approaches to treatment, management of self-care for staff, topics related to mental health and treatment of mental health issues, family work and working with Aboriginals or other diverse populations.

Please complete the attached form to submit a presentation proposal. Please be advised that the 2012 International Child and Youth Care Conference Committee will select the successful presentations. The committee will review all potential proposals and will respond to all submissions with a decision. Proposals should address the conference theme, “Inspiring Resiliency: building the capacity for resiliency in ourselves, our children, youth and families and in our communities”

Once completed please forward your proposal to:

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**Child and Youth Care Association of Alberta  
International Child and Youth Care Conference**  
*“Inspiring Resiliency,  
building the capacity for resiliency in ourselves, our children,  
youth and families, and in our communities”*  
**The Radisson Canmore  
Canmore, Alberta, Canada  
Oct 9-12, 2012**

## **Call for Proposals**

The Alberta Provincial/National/International Child and Youth Care Conference is being held west of Calgary in Canmore, Alberta from **October 9-12, 2012**. Please join us in the spectacular Rocky Mountains for a professional gathering of Child and Youth Care practitioners and scholars from across Canada and around the world. Workshop submissions should consider the theme, “Inspiring Resiliency”.

For workshop submissions, please provide the following typed information:

- Session title and sub-title
- Content/Description of the Workshop (250-400 Words Max)
- Preferred Length of the Workshop (1.5 or 3 Hours)
- Preferred date to present
- Seating design (ie; theatre, semi-circle, etc.)
- Minimum and maximum Number of Participants
- Presenter(s) biography (150 Words Max)
- Agency/Organization
- Contact Information (Address, Phone, cell and e-mail)
- Audiovisual requirements (you must provide your own laptop and handouts)

### **Presenter Information:**

- One presenter per workshop will be eligible for the Presenters rate
- Seating design requests may not be able to be accommodated in all instances
- Proposals will not be considered unless all information requested above is included

### **Deadline for proposals is February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012**

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