Building Bridges: Understanding and Addressing Peer Rejection Among First Nation Children

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This presentation will delve into the complex dynamics of peer rejection, Drawing from extensive research, we will explore its definition, the multifaceted experiences of peer rejection and examine the causes and the psychological mechanisms behind it. Special attention will be given to First Nation children, discussing why understanding peer rejection is crucial for this group, their heightened vulnerability to such experiences, and effective support strategies for parents and professionals to consider to help support them.



Learning Outcomes:

- Understanding Peer Rejection: defining peer rejection, its significance in the social fabric of First Nation communities, the cycle in which it occurs and why it's a critical issue for both parents and professionals to understand.
- Insights from Research: An overview of the latest research on peer rejection, with a focus on the psychological effects and the specific challenges faced by First Nation children, providing valuable insights for healthcare professionals and parents.
- Support and Resilience: Actionable strategies and interventions for parents and professionals to consider when supporting First Nation children through peer rejection

Speakers:

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Target Audience: Parents & professionals

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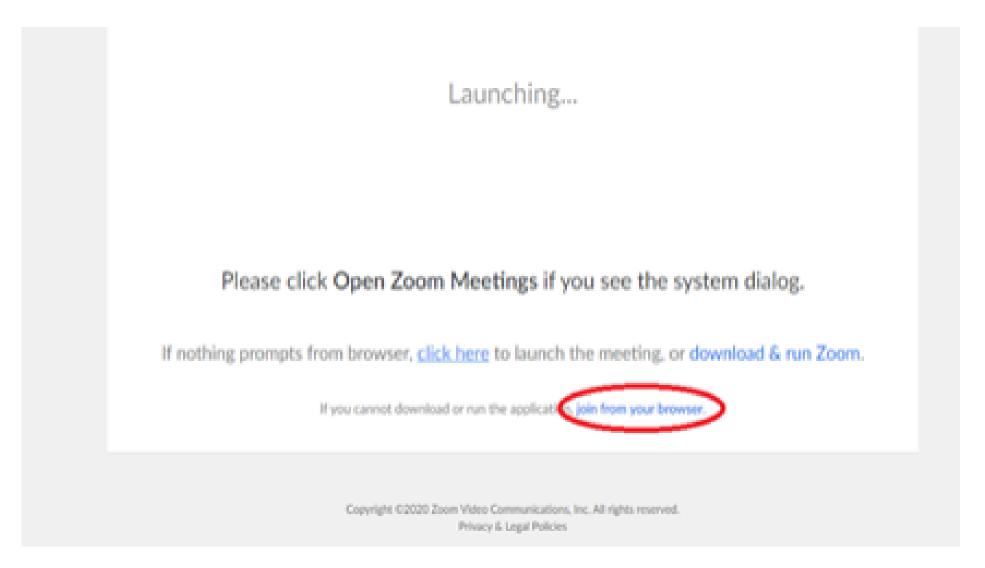
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