

Creating & Implementing an Indigenous Practice Framework - Sîôtškam Iyiniwatisiwin

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Many existing systems are not working for Indigenous peoples, and human service agencies and programs are searching for ways to provide more helpful and less damaging services for Indigenous peoples. The self-evaluation required by agencies and the development of new service approaches must come from an Indigenous worldview based on the Indigenous beliefs, values and worldviews relevant to the area the agency is located. Join us as we discuss the story and learnings of our wisdom seeking journey in creating an Indigenous Practice framework based on nehiyaw teachings, beliefs, language, and ceremony. sîôtškam iyiniwatisiwin (supporting an Indigenous way of being), is our foundational framework that is used to guide the development and delivery of programs and services to Indigenous children, youth, and families at The Family Centre.



Learning Outcomes:

- What services The Family Centre provides
- A brief overview of The Family Centre's Indigenous Framework
- The story behind creating the Indigenous Framework at The Family Centre

Speakers:

Aubrey Watson (she/her) is an anishinaabekwe (Ojibway woman) from Ketegaunseebee (Garden River First Nation) who has worked at The Family Centre for 12 years in various positions. Aubrey holds a Child & Youth Care degree from MacEwan University and a graduate degree in Master of Social Work with the University of Calgary. Aubrey's current role is Manager of Indigenous Support Services. Indigenous Support Services aims to help TFC staff and Indigenous service users live the teachings. This will lead to the revitalization of ceremonies, teachings, Indigenous languages and healing for the Indigenous communities we serve. Aubrey is a life giver to two beautiful spirits named Zoe and Sadie, married and prioritizes spending time with close family and friends. Aubrey enjoys spending time outdoors at the lake whenever possible, walking the family lab and attending ceremonies



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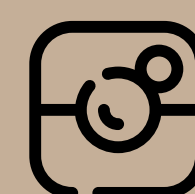


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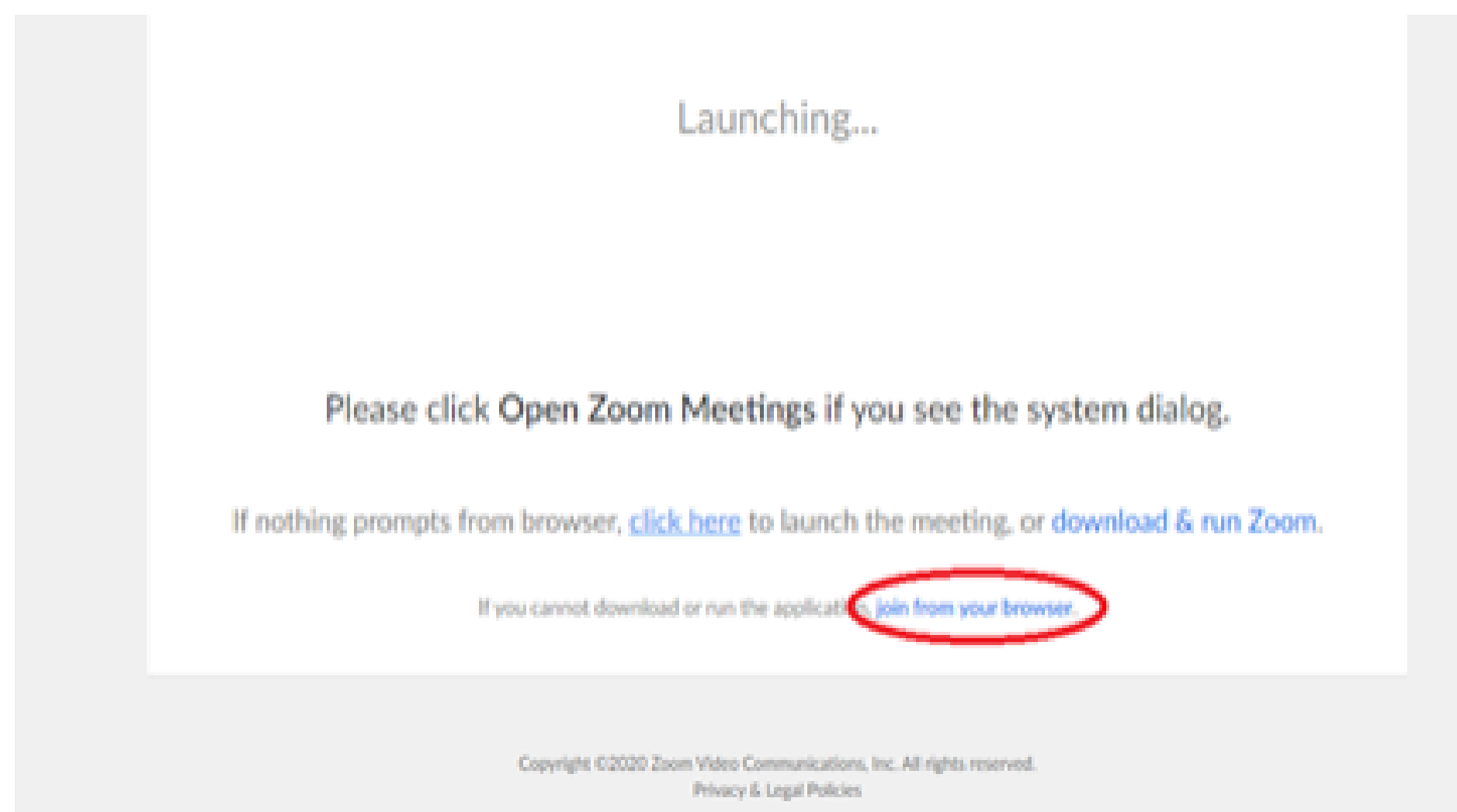
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