Supporting Families and Children: Understanding Pediatric Cancer and Social Programs in Alberta

October 24, 2024

10:00-11:30am MDT

This session will provide an overview of childhood cancer statistics in Alberta, with a focus on the population our agency serves. In addition, attendees will also receive concise 10-minute presentations on four of our core community Outreach programs, designed to support families and children impacted by cancer. The four programs are: 1. PEER (Pediatric cancer patients and survivors Engaging in Exercise for Recovery (PEER) program). 2. Family Engagement and Counselling. 3. Education and Tutoring. 4. Child Life Services.



Learning Outcomes:

- Understand the current landscape of childhood cancer in Alberta
- Identify the unique needs of families affected by childhood cancer in Alberta
- Gain knowledge of the Kids Cancer Care Foundation of Alberta's Core Community Outreach Programs
- Explore strategies for effective community engagement and support:

Speakers:

Carloina Chamorro Vina, PhD – PEER program specialist, Kids Cancer Care Foundation of Alberta and Adjunct Assistant Professor, University of Calgary Suzanne Cross-Fong, MSW, RSW – Registered Social Worker and Family Engagement Coordinator, Kids Cancer Care Foundation of Alberta Rachel McInnes, BKin – Education Program Coordinator, Kids Cancer Care Foundation of Alberta

Laura Peace, CCLS, BCYC, Certified Child Life Specialist – Child Life Coordinator, Kids Cancer Care Foundation of Alberta

James Foster, BSc.PT – Registered Physical Therapist and Director of Outreach, Kids Cancer Care Foundation of Alberta





Target Audience: First Nations community members interested in learning more about the available resources and support for families facing childhood cancer. Additionally, educators, child and family advocates, and representatives from nonprofit organizations dedicated to pediatric healthcare and social services, especially those focusing on childhood cancer and its impact on families

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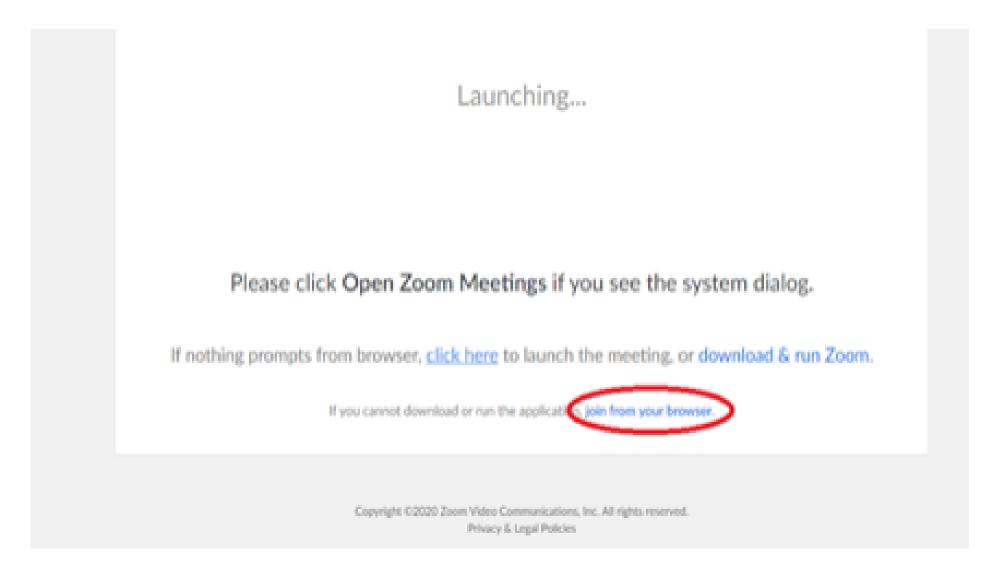
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