

Native Counselling Services of Alberta: Programs, Services, and Indigenous-Led Healing

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10:00-11:30am MT

This session will give participants an overview of Native Counselling Services of Alberta and the programs offered across the province. We will share how NCSA's work is guided by Indigenous values, the Resiliency Model, wâhkôhtowin, and a strong commitment to healing, connection, and self-determination. The session will also highlight key program areas, including Indigenous Courtwork, Kisnimi Ti Transitional Housing, tapwehtamowin waskahikan recovery-oriented supportive housing, reintegration, family and youth supports, community engagement, and BearPaw Media and Education.

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Learning Outcomes:

- Who NCSA is and how Indigenous-Led services guide the work across Alberta
- The main programs and supports offered through NCSA, including courtwork, housing, reintegration, family wellness, community engagement, and legal education
- Tapwehtamowin Waskaikan supported living site - a 30 unit recovery oriented permanent supportive housing building
- How the NCSA Resiliency Model supports healing through connection, culture, healthy relationships, and self-determination
- How to better connect Indigenous individuals, families, and communities to NCSA programs and services

Speaker:

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Target Audience: Frontline workers, service providers, social workers, housing workers, justice partners, health providers, Indigenous organizations, community agencies, and anyone working alongside Indigenous individuals, families, or communities.

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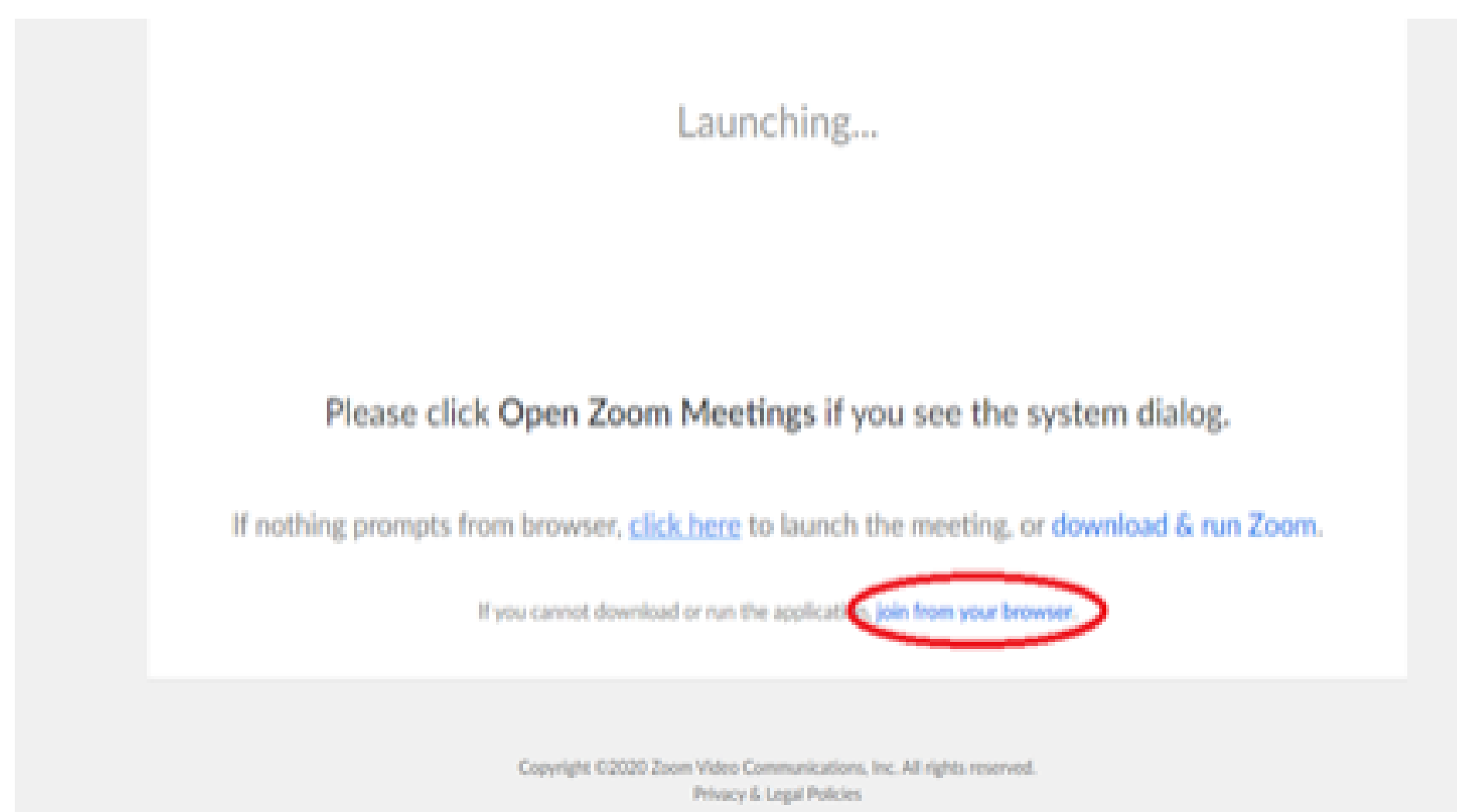
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