

# PRESENTATION

## Talking about Talking Circles

### OUTLINE

Reaching out to Adjudicators and Regulators to provide for First Nation community members (who self-identify) the option for a Talking Circle to gather the information, create dialogue, review the incident, obtain community support, and resolve the matter:

- How to accommodate requests for culture-based talking circles
- Identifying the resources available to the community
- Improving access to options for resolving matters
- Identify community resources for support

**3:05pm - 3:10pm**

Opening - Marisha Roman  
Bear, Topic, Talking Circle

**3:10pm - 3:20pm**

History - Bear  
Here are the Tools  
7 Grandmother/father Teachings, Humility  
Truth, Respect, Bravery, Honesty, Love, Wisdom

**3:20pm - 3:35pm**

Cloth - Talking Circle  
As an adjudicator you have a First Nation  
person asking for a Circle  
Open with Language

**3:35pm - 3:45pm**

Closing - Marisha Roman  
Q and A Session  
Evaluation

**Traditional Talking Circle** - Presentation by Bear Charles a First Nation facilitator for StarLodge Addiction Services, who combines his Anishinabek Teaches with his 25+ years as a community worker; harm reduction with his social justice advocacy experiences. StarLodge has developed educational, preventive and culture-based treatment options for the under-housed, homeless, working poor, socially isolated due to mental health issues or court-involved and incarcerated First Nation community members.

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**Other Presenters;**

**ALS/Talking Circle - Jonathan Rudin, Program Director**

**Talking Circle in Family Group - Marilee Sherry, Maori Training**