

Seventh Annual Aboriginal Membership Conference



Membership is more important to a First Nation, Tribe, Band, Native Hawaiians, and today, Aboriginal Communities in Australia, than ever before. All over the world, membership is becoming the most fundamentally important issue with native peoples; a necessity in order to protect not just their rights, but their cultural identity as well.

Canadian First Nations still have many roadblocks preventing them from true membership sovereignty, but there are ways to utilize the tools available today to mitigate those roadblocks and develop a fair and balanced membership system. The first step is to understand what the issues are, and what may be done about them.

DCIAmerica has developed this new agenda to help face some of those realities and to develop a membership code and a membership and enrollment system that promotes fairness, while emphasizing tribal sovereignty.

May 13-14, 2008

Calgary, AB

Call DCI for Hotel Information

**Registration Fee: \$579.00
Call Today! (800) 888-1027**

Topics to Include:

Day 1: 9:00am to 4:30pm

General Session

- **The Successful Membership Team: How to Make it Work**
Chief and Council, Membership Committee, and Membership Staff: How and why these groups make up the team
- **Developing And Enacting A First Nation Membership Code**
Organized Review of Your Membership Code
Reconciling Interpretations and a Completed Policy Paper
Written Interpretations of What Your Governing Documents Mean to Each Group
- **How to Audit Membership Records Successfully**
Documenting Findings in a Summary Report
Establishing the Membership Audit Team
Examining Files for Proper Documentation
Rendering a Final Report to the Council
- **Policies and Procedures**
Band Transfers and Loss of Membership
Emergency Applications

ID Card Policies

Membership File Maintenance and Ownership

Day 2: 9:00am to 4:30pm

General Session

- **The Indian Act of Canada and Its Amendments**
Should You Opt-Out of The Indian Act?
What are the Advantages and Disadvantages?
What are the Dangers?
- **Membership Records Management**
The Benefits of Records and File Management for Everyone
The Methods of Filing Membership Records
Vital Records: Your Membership Department's "Lifeblood"
What Are Vital Records? Identifying Your Most Important Records
- **Membership Supervisor's Workshop: Making the Most of it All**
Developing a Managerial Attitude
Exercises for Active & Aspiring Supervisors
Supervision: A Definition

Register Here

Yes! Please register _____ people for the Seventh Annual Aboriginal Membership Conference in Calgary, AB on May 13-14, 2008. Registration is \$579.00/person. Group discounts are available, by request, for 4 or more.

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