

15th Annual Caring Society Gala

Canadian Human Rights Tribunal Making it Real for Kids



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Friday, October 17, 2025 | 1 to 3 pm

Victoria Inn & Convention Centre,
Embassy Rooms A/B/C
1800 Wellington Avenue, Winnipeg, MB

Admission is FREE! but pre-registration is required and seating is limited. Light refreshments will be served.

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Join **Cindy Blackstock**, **Jessica Saunders** and a panel of experts as they discuss what's next with the proceedings at the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal to end discrimination in First Nations Child and Family Services (FNCFS) and full implementation of Jordan's Principle.

In October 2024, First Nations-in-Assembly set out clear direction for FNCFS reform, guided by the National Children's Chiefs Commission (NCCC), that is informed by evidence and protects First Nations children from discrimination now and forever. The workshop will include an update on the progress to date to implement the direction from rights holders to end discrimination for First Nation children and families.

On November 21, 2024, the Tribunal issued their ruling in response to the Caring Society's non-compliance motion filed in December 2023 regarding the Government of Canada's chronic and wilful failure to adhere to the Tribunal's orders on Jordan's Principle. The Tribunal ordered Canada to immediately tackle the backlog of Jordan's Principle requests, however, to date there has been little progress for First Nations children. The workshop will cover avenues of support for families, including remedies for delayed or denied Jordan's Principle requests.



The information shared at the workshop does not constitute legal advice. We recommend that First Nations consult with their legal counsel and their child and family service experts.

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