

# 2024 Alaska Tribal Child Welfare & Tribal Justice Conference

Anchorage, Alaska  
September 9-11, 2024

“Strengthening Our Roots, Honoring Our Children: Implementing Culturally Responsive Practices for Tribal Justice and Tribal Child Welfare”

Tentative Agenda – Subject to Change

Monday, September 9, 2024	
08:30 a.m.	<b>Registration/coffee</b>
09:15 a.m.	<b>General Session</b> Opening & Welcome, Alaska Native Justice Center
10:15 a.m.	<b>15-Minute Break</b>
10:30 a.m.	<b>Keynote Address</b> A conversation with Chief Judge Abby Abinanti, Yurok Tribal Court
12:00 p.m.	<b>Lunch</b>
01:30 p.m.	<b>Concurrent Workshops</b> Workshop C1: Stages of an ICWA Case, Alaska Native Justice Center  Workshop C2: Panel of the Tribal Team for the ICWA State Tribal Partnership Best Practices Grant Alaska Federation of Natives and Tribal Partners  Workshop C3: TBD  Workshop C4: Tribal Court Structures and Building a Formal Tribal Court, Alaska Native Justice Center
03:00 p.m.	<b>30-Minute Break</b>
03:30 p.m.	<b>General Session</b> Nurturing Futures: Healing-Centered Practices in Indigenous Child Welfare, Christina Love
05:00 p.m.	<b>Adjourn</b>

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## Tuesday, September 10, 2024

08:30 a.m. **Registration/coffee**

09:00 a.m. **General Session**

Introduction to HOPE (Healthy Outcomes from Positive Childhood Experiences),  
Alaska Children’s Trust

10:15 a.m. **15-Minute Break**

10:30 a.m. **Concurrent Workshops**

Workshop C1: Enforcement of Tribal Court Orders,  
Alaska Native Justice Center

Workshop C2: Transforming Child Welfare: Impact of OCS and Tribal Partnerships,  
Tasha Yatchmeneff & Robin Charlie, Office of Children’s Services

Workshop C3: Permanency Options in ICWA Cases,  
Alaska Native Justice Center

Workshop C4: The Role of Tribes in the CAC (Child Advocacy Center) Process  
Traci McGarry, Kawerak

12:00 p.m. **Lunch**

01:30 p.m. **General Session:**

Peer Support in Practice: Panel Discussion on Strategies for Supporting Parents in Recovery,  
Cook Inlet Tribal Council, Recovery and Reentry Services Peer Support Program

03:00 p.m. **30-Minute Break**

03:30 p.m. **General Session**

For the Love of Our Children: Re-centering Indigenous Relational Knowledge, Jessica Saniguq  
Ullrich

05:00 p.m. **Adjourn**

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## Wednesday, September 11, 2024

08:30 a.m. **Registration/coffee**

09:00 a.m. **General Session**

The Alaska Inter-Tribal Working Group & Violence Against Women Act Reauthorization of 2022, Alaska Native Justice Center

10:15 a.m. **15-Minute Break**

10:30 a.m. **Concurrent Workshops:**

Workshop C1: Cultural Support Services,  
Diane Selanoff & Tasha Yatchmenef

Workshop C2: Enforcement of Tribal Court Orders,  
Alaska Native Justice Center

Workshop C3: Tribal Court Structures and Building a Formal Tribal Court  
Alaska Native Justice Center

Workshop C4: Mock ICWA Case Walkthrough,  
Dawn Harris

12:00 p.m. **Lunch**

01:30 p.m. **General Session**

Domestic Violence, Tribal Child Welfare, and the ICWA: Challenges and Opportunities,  
Alaska Native Women’s Resource Center

02:30 p.m. **15-Minute Break**

02:45 p.m. **General Session**

Empowering Families through Healing: Tribal Family Wellness Courts,  
RurAL CAP

04:30 p.m. **Adjourn**