



**BC SETTLEMENT AND INTEGRATION SERVICES (BCSIS)  
PROVINCIAL VIRTUAL SUMMIT**

**AGENDA – DRAFT #10**

February 24 & 25, 2021  
9:00 am – 4:00 pm

**Wednesday, February 24, 2021**

9:00 am	-	9:15 am	<p><b>Plenary Session</b> <b>Welcome</b></p> <p>Presenter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Katie Crocker, CEO, AMSSA</li> </ul>
9:15 am	-	9:35 am	<p><b>Welcome Address from the Minister</b></p> <p>Presenter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Honorable Josie Osborne, Minister of Municipal Affairs</li> </ul> <p>In Attendance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Okenge Yuma Morisho, Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs</li> </ul>
9:35 am	-	9:45 am	Break
9:45 am	-	10:45 am	<p><b>Plenary Session Keynote Speaker</b> <b>Challenging Racism Through Inclusive Leadership</b></p> <p>Presenter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Christopher Stuart Taylor, Lecturer, University of Waterloo Department of History</li> </ul>
10:45 am	-	11:00 am	Break
11:00 am	-	12:00 pm	<p><b>Plenary Session Keynote Speaker</b> <b>Self-Care During Challenging Times</b></p> <p>Presenter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lynda Monk, THRIVE Training and Coaching</li> </ul>
12:00 pm	-	1:00 pm	Lunch break
1:00 pm	-	1:45 pm	<p><b>Plenary Session</b> <b>BC Immigration Priorities and BC Settlement &amp; Integration Services Overview</b></p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carling Helander, Executive Director, Immigration Policy and Integration, Immigration Policy &amp; Integration Branch, Ministry of Municipal Affairs</li> <li>• Lily Grewal, Director, Immigrant Integration, Immigration Policy &amp; Integration Branch, Ministry of Municipal Affairs</li> <li>• Alexander Kang, Senior Program Advisor, Immigration Policy &amp; Integration Branch, Ministry of Municipal Affairs</li> </ul>

1:45 pm	-	2:00 pm	Break
2:00 pm	-	3:00 pm	<p><b>Plenary Session</b>  <b>IRCC and BC PNP: Immigration Pathways to Permanent Residency</b></p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sarah Finall, Outreach Officer - Domestic Network, IRCC</li> <li>• Zelo Soyalp, Assistant Director - Asylum Program Division, IRCC</li> <li>• Aireen Luney, Manager, Program Development and Promotion, Immigration Programs Branch</li> </ul>
3:00 pm	-	3:15 pm	Break
3:15 pm	-	4:00 pm	<p><b>Concurrent Sessions</b></p> <p><b>Session A</b>  <b>Not Just Another Self-care Workshop!</b></p> <p>Presenter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mona Hassania, Registered Clinical Counsellor, Nia Counselling</li> </ul> <p><b>Session B</b>  <b>Informal English Language Learning and Curriculum</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Yusra Qadir, Director - Innovations, Advocacy and Multicultural HIPPY</li> <li>• Lisa Herrera, Program Support</li> </ul> <p><b>Session C</b>  <b>BC Provincial Nominee Program (BC PNP) Information Session</b></p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BC PNP Program Staff</li> </ul>

**Thursday, February 25, 2021**

9:00 am	-	9:15 am	<p>Plenary Session <b>Welcome</b></p> <p>Presenter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Katie Crocker, CEO, AMSSA</li> </ul>
9:15 am	-	10:15 am	<p>Plenary Session Keynote Speaker <b>Indigenous Relations: Education, Awareness and Dialogue</b></p> <p>Presenter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Norm Leech, Executive Director for the Vancouver Aboriginal Community Policing Centre</li> </ul>
10:15 am	-	10:30 am	Break
10:30 am	-	11:15 am	<p>Plenary Session <b>B.C. Government Anti-Racism Priorities</b></p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Baljinder Jacques, Manager, Resilience BC</li> <li>• Jane Hurtig, Resilience BC Program Manager, VIRCS</li> <li>• Avie Olarte, Resilience BC Communications and Outreach Manager, VIRCS</li> </ul>
11:15 am	-	11:30 am	Break
11:30 am	-	12:15 pm	<p>Plenary Session <b>Mental Health and Substance Use: A Pathway to Hope</b></p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Juanita Jara, Manager, Strategic Policy and Planning</li> <li>• Kelly Czmielewski, A/Director, Social Sector Partnerships &amp; Planning</li> </ul>
12:15 pm	-	1:00 pm	Lunch break
1:00 pm	-	1:45 pm	<p>Concurrent Sessions</p> <p>Session A <b>Fraud Prevention: Scams that Target Vulnerable People</b></p> <p>Presenter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cpl Vinh Ngo, Outreach Officer, Federal RCMP</li> </ul> <p>Session B <b>BC Public Libraries: Supporting Community Resilience During the COVID-19 Pandemic</b></p> <p>Presenter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mark MacKichan, Coordinator, Skilled Immigrant InfoCentre, VPL</li> <li>• Shideh Taleban, Community Librarian, North Vancouver City Library</li> </ul>
1:45 pm	-	2:00 pm	Break

2:00 pm	-	2:45 pm	<p><b>Plenary Session</b>  <b>BC Ministry of Advanced Education &amp; Skills Training Labour Market Outlook</b></p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chris Holling, Director of Forecasting, Workforce Innovation and Skills Training</li> <li>• Naomi Pope - Director of Labour Market and Immigration Analysis, Workforce Innovation and Skills Training</li> </ul>
2:45 pm	-	3:00 pm	Break
3:00 pm	-	3:45 pm	<p><b>Plenary Session</b>  <b>BC's Temporary Foreign Worker Protection Act: What We've Done and Where We're Headed</b></p> <p>Presenters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• John Blakely, Executive Director, Labour Policy &amp; Legislation, Ministry of Labour</li> <li>• Mary Walsh, Director of Compliance and the Temporary Foreign Worker Unit, Employment Standards Branch, Ministry of Labour</li> </ul>
3:45 pm	-	3:55 pm	<p><b>Closing Remarks</b></p> <p>Presenter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Katie Crocker, CEO, AMSSA</li> </ul>