REQUEST FOR SPEAKERS

The Assembly of First Nations (AFN) is pleased to announce the request for speakers for *Jordan's Principle Service Coordinator Gathering (JPSCG): Rooted in Support, Rising in Strength*, taking place September 23–25, 2025, in Treaty 6 Territory in Edmonton, Alberta.

This national event will bring together Jordan's Principle Service Coordinators to strengthen networks, share knowledge, and build momentum for the vital work of supporting First Nations children and families.

Grounded in the values of care, connection, and community, Rooted in Support, Rising in Strength will focus on key themes including navigating complex systems, empowering families, and supporting the health and wellbeing of Service Coordinators. The Gathering will provide space for reflection, learning, and celebration of the unique and powerful work being carried out across each region.

The AFN is inviting dynamic speakers to submit a proposal to participate as a keynote speaker, panelist, or presenter. Suggested topic areas include, but are not limited to:

- Strategies for navigating provincial and federal systems and programming
- Tools for empowering families and building relationships
- Innovations in service coordination and delivery
- Mental wellness and self-care for frontline workers
- Land- and culture-based approaches in supporting children and families

The deadline to submit a proposal is **July 31, 2025**.

Proposals should include:

- A title and description of your proposed presentation
- Projected length of presentation (not including questions and answer period)
- Speaker title(s) and contact information
- Key take aways and benefits for participants at the JPSCG

Only successful applicants will be contacted.

Please submit your application and direct any questions to: Jessica Goodman, Senior Policy Analyst, at jgoodman@afn.ca