



Ayas Men Men Child & Family Services



GUARDIANSHIP

Ayas Men Men provides the Squamish Nation Membership with delegated child & family services pursuant to the BC Child, Family and Community Act.

What does a Guardianship Social Worker do?

- **Safety** and well-being of children who are in the continuing Ayas Men Men care and custody.
- **Protect** our children by ensuring they are placed in nurturing homes.
- **Inform** children of their rights while in care
- **Develop** a child plan for children while they are in care.

We seek to accomplish these goals by building individual resources as members of the Squamish Nation through such means as teaching life skills, education and training in language, culture, social and family traditions. We operate from a belief that families of the Nation are the best teachers.



Standards

We are committed to culturally appropriate planning for the children in our care.

Supporting and creating cultural specific plans of care that preserve the child's heritage and kinship ties by:

- Nurturing sibling relationships.
- Locating and connecting children to extended family.
- Encouraging and supporting appropriate placements.
- Family reunification.
- Maintaining cultural and spiritual identity.
- Supporting and transitioning youth to independence.



Legal Mandate

The British Columbia Child, Family and Community Services Act allows the Provincial Director to delegate responsibility for the safety and well being of Squamish Nation children to Ayas Men Men Child and Family Services. We have been responsible since 1993 to provide delegated guardianship services to our children and families.

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