



Ayas Men Men Child & Family Services



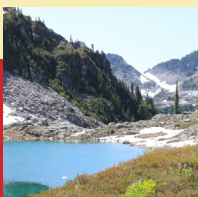
NEXWNIWNITWAY FAMILY CIRCLE

Nexwniwnitway (Nough-nay-owe-nate-why) means: To seek counsel as in the sense of mutually intent to discuss, resolve, act, and follow-up. The Squamish word “nexu’niwn” means “upbringing, teachings”.

The goal is to re-introduce, re-learn and re-instate Squamish ways as part of our service delivery to Nation children, parents, caregivers, supports and extended family.

The objective is to provide Nation families who come before the Ministry or Family Court with child protection issues, with a voluntary alternative for planning for the future care of their child/children.

This is a volunteer based service



How Does This Program Work?

This program respects Squamish history, tradition, culture, including Squamish protocol and ceremony in the way we work with Nation children and their families.

Two main activities of the Nexwniwnitway Family Circle are:



- A collaborative consensual decision making process where a care plan is developed for a child (ren)
- Intervention, care planning for a child(ren) and healing and ceremonial work with the child and family.

What does this program provide to our Families?

- Involvement in the child care decision making process in a cultural way
- Prevention alternatives to ensure safety for Nation children and families

Please contact our office and speak to the facilitator for more information on this volunteer program for services.

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