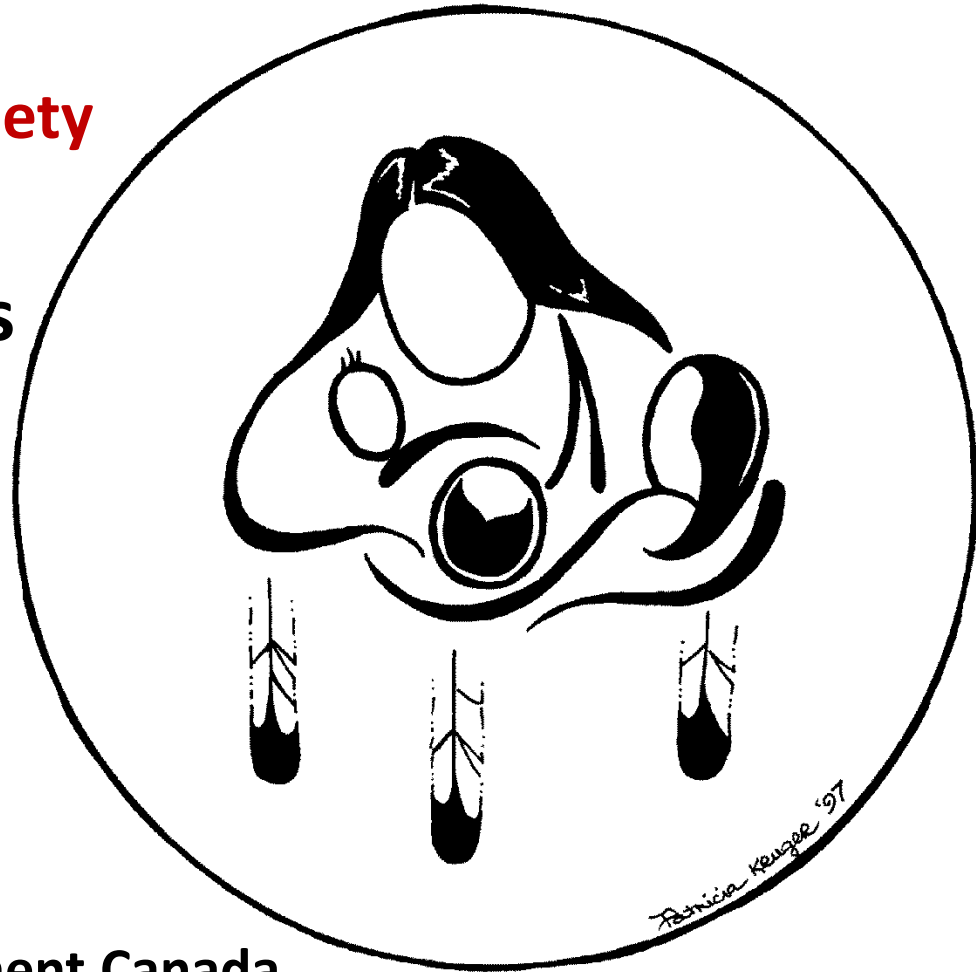


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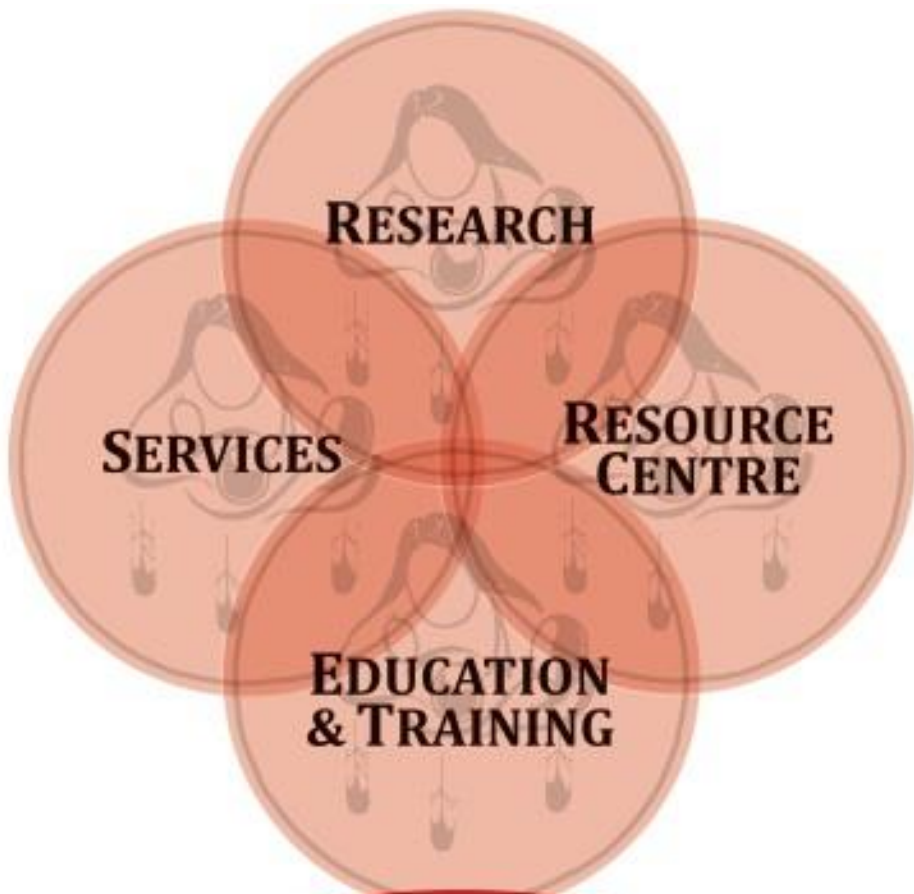
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With *culture* and *language* at the heart of our approach, it is the *integration* of these four pillars of work that strengthens each and serves as the generator of innovation and excellence.

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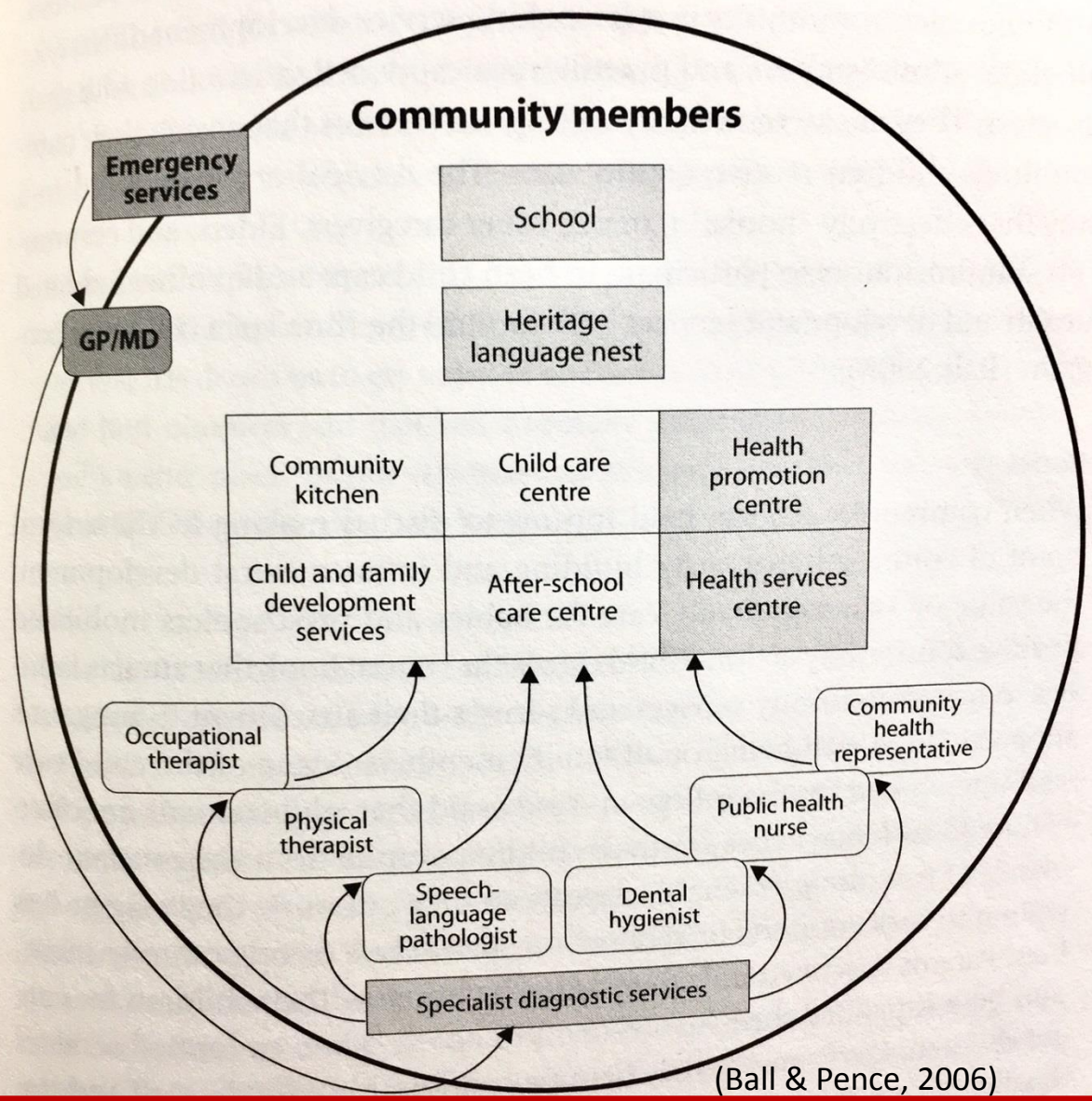
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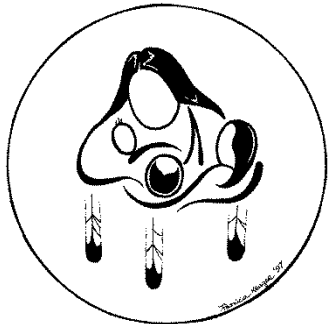
Community-based service model with child care centre as integration site



(Ball & Pence, 2006)

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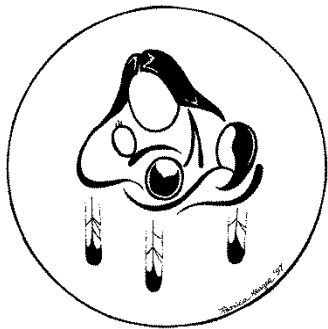
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Early Learning and Child Care for First Nations Children & Families:

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- History
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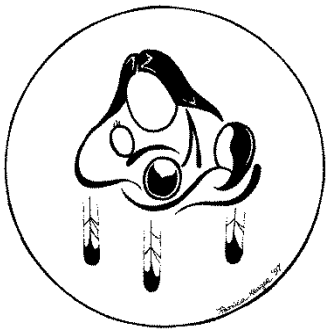


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History:

- Program creation in mid 1990
- Cultural programming
- Past federal reform processes and engagements
- Provincial program development
- **First Nations initiatives**

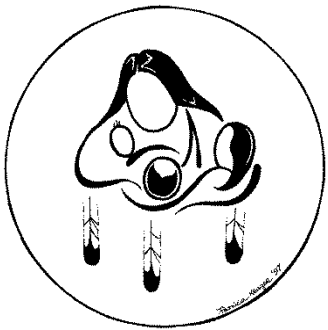


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FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ABORIGINAL ECDC PROGRAMS IN BC

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Aboriginal Head Start Urban and Northern Communities (AHSUNC)	Program design is similar to above but for urban Aboriginal children	Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC)	12 sites No. of children served: approximately 500	\$4,109,708 million (2014-2015)
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BC ABORIGINAL ECD/ELCC PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN 0-6 YEARS 2013-14

Program	Description	Ministry Responsible	No. of Projects & Children Served	Funding
Aboriginal Infant Development Program (AIDP)	Culturally relevant supports and services to families with children under school entry age at risk of developmental delays	MCFD	48 sites on and off reserve no data available on no. of children served	Unknown
Aboriginal Supported Child Development Program (ASCDP)	Assists families of children with extra support needs to access inclusive childcare	MCFD	24 on reserve 21 off reserve Served 906 children 0-12 years 545 are under 5 years of age	Unknown
Aboriginal ECD Regional Initiatives	Health of Aboriginal children, language and culture, increase awareness, outreach and access to ECD programs and services for Aboriginal children and communities	MCFD	43 contracts – no data available on no. of children served	\$6.8 million
Aboriginal ECD Re-Investment Initiative	Health, culture, and community capacity development	MCFD		\$5 million



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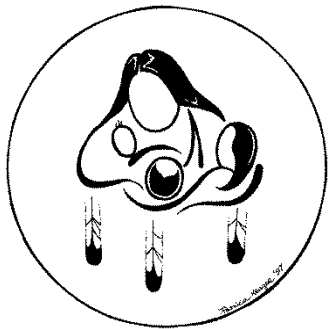
- no increases 2003 to 2010, (12.5% inflation *decrease*) when budget was increased by about 20% and # of sites by 50%; in 2013 same: 20% more sites, 16% more \$
- 2006-2016 funding *decreased* by 15% (on top of an inflation decrease of 18% in that period)
- 2010 to 2015 FNICCI BC allocation *decreased* by 6% (with a further 8.5% decrease on account of inflation)



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Early Learning and Child Care for First Nations Children & Families:

Lessons learned & current opportunities

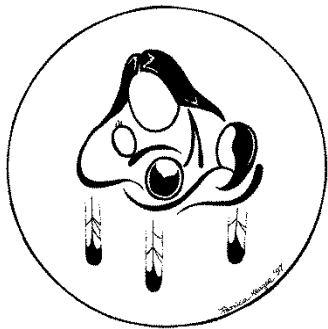


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Lessons:

- Assimilation -> Active & Passive
- Fragmentation -> Stasis
- Rights and responsibilities must be asserted

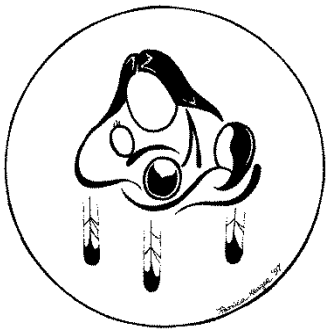


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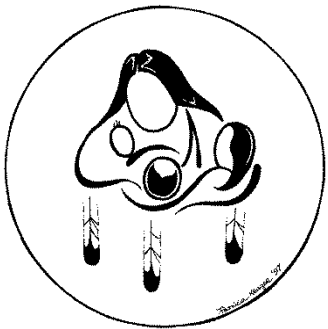
- Profile of ECEC
- Increased assertion of First Nations rights
- Political climate of reconciliation
- **ELCC Frameworks Development**



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Partnership

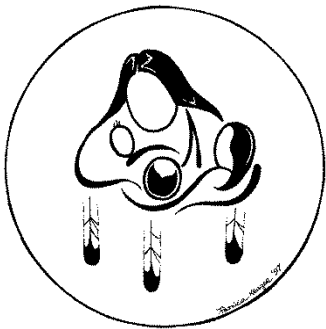
- Ongoing processes of change in supports for First Nations children and families
- Coordination/responsibility/authority



Early Learning and Child Care for First Nations Children & Families:

Specific Objectives

- **To obtain regional advice and direction of framework development**
- To support transparency in social transfer for First Nations; and First Nations authorities
- To support First Nations children and families in *community-driven, nation-based* processes at all levels





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