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Decolonization – Level 2 Communication and Land Acknowledgement An HSA Diversity Workshop

HSA is pleased to offer one of two options for this workshop:

DATES: Thursday, August 11, 2022 - Virtual via WebEx

Tuesday, August 16, 2022 - In-person at HSA Office

TIME: 9:00 am to 4:30 pm

LOCATION: HSA Head Office – 180 East Columbia Street, New Westminster, BC

PRE-REQUSITE: Members must have completed the two-day Decolonization workshop

HSA members who have previously completed HSA's two-day Decolonization Workshop facilitated by Rhiannon Bennett and Andrea Hilder are encouraged to apply for this one-day workshop either **virtually or in-person**. Members must only choose one day to register.

Now that you have taken the vital first steps in playing an active and meaningful part in Decolonization, we are inviting you to this level 2 workshop focusing on communication and land acknowledgements.

In this workshop, participants will learn more about how English, white supremacy, and colonization have impacted Indigenous languages, the importance of keeping language whole, and a reminder that Indigenous languages are living languages. This workshop builds off of the communication education discussed in our Level 1 Introduction to Decolonization workshop series.

In the afternoon participants will tackle some of the discourse around land acknowledgements. Participants will dissect existing land acknowledgements, learn about Indigenous-land relations, and learn the difference between performative and impactful acknowledgements.

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HSA is pleased to have Hummingbirds Rising Consultants Rhiannon Bennett and Andrea Hilder return to facilitate this one-day workshop.

Rhiannon Bennett is Musqueam and is well known for asking tough questions in a manner that encourages engagement and dialogue. She is actively working to create a more equitable world for all. Professionally, she has worked with Indigenous youth and families with overarching themes of her work being Decolonization and Reconciliation. In 2014, she was the first Indigenous person elected to the Delta Board of Education.

Andrea Hilder is an education professional, former foster parent and non-Indigenous parent of an Indigenous child. She has been a family support worker and a child and family advocate for two decades. Decolonization is the lens through which she learns, lives and teaches.

Members must be able to attend the entire day: August 11 or August 16, 2022. Space is limited. Please note, members must pick one date to register.

Members who are interested in this workshop <u>must have completed the two-day Decolonization workshop</u> and must complete a registration application by logging into <u>My Events Registration</u> using the prompts provided. Workshops are listed under Other events. Please call the HSA office at <u>604.517.0994</u> or <u>1.800.663.6119</u> if you do not know your HSA member ID number.