



## **FNLKC Conference Workshop Presenter**

**Workshop Title:** SICC Working Workshop for the Aboriginal Language Initiative

**Name of Presenters:** Garry Anaquod

**Biography:** Garry Anaquod is of Saukteaux and Nakoda descent and a member of the Muscowpetung First Nation. Currently, he is the Special Projects Coordinator for the SICC where he has worked since 2007. In the past, he was a lecturer in Computer Science and Physics at the First Nations University of Canada (formerly the Saskatchewan Indian Federated College). In his time at the SICC, he has worked to support the development of numerous projects including publications, immersion camps, traditional parenting, multimedia projects and language database projects. Garry has a strong technical background and is looking forward to supporting communities and organizations developing project proposals for the Aboriginal Languages Initiative. He holds degrees in Computer Science and Physics. Garry has extensive personal and professional networks among Saskatchewan First Nations.

**Abstract:** This presentation will provide updates on the Aboriginal Languages Initiative (ALI) which is a federal languages retention program funded by the Department of Canadian Heritage. ALI is a component of the Aboriginal Peoples' Program (APP) which is now accepting funding applications for the 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 fiscal years. Funding for ALI has been significantly increased from previous years. The SICC encourages eligible Saskatchewan organizations to apply for ALI funding. The objective of the ALI is to support community-based projects that contribute to the preservation and revitalization of Indigenous languages for the benefit of Indigenous peoples. The deadline to submit applications and be eligible for funding is December 5, 2017 at 11:59 p.m. local time. Please note that funding is limited and that not every eligible project will receive funding. It is also possible that an approved funding application may receive a lower amount than was requested. SICC staff will be on hand to assist those interested in completing documentation for organization submitting proposals to ALI.

### **Learning Outcome:**

By the end of this workshop, delegates will:

- Know about the ALI Program and SICC's role
- Understand how to fill out the forms and other pertinent documents