



MCWIC

Midwest Child Welfare
Implementation Center

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Creating Connections to Enhance Tribal Child Welfare Systems

AGENDA March 18, 2009

- 8:00 AM Continental Breakfast
- 8:30 AM Welcome
Mark Ells, Project Director, Midwest Child Welfare Implementation Center
- Drum Group-Honor Song
Medicine Rock Singers, Lac du Flambeau, Wisconsin
- Prayer/Invocation
Joe Chosa, Lac du Flambeau, Wisconsin
- Introduction of Midwest Child Welfare Implementation Center staff,
consultants, and facilitators
- Opening remarks from ACF Children's Bureau
Mary McKee, Child Welfare Program Specialist, ACF Region VII
- Agenda Overview
Mark Ells, Project Director, Midwest Child Welfare Implementation Center
- 9:30 AM Plenary: Challenges in Raising Healthy Native American Children from a
Child Welfare Perspective
Priscilla Day, Professor of Social Work, University of Minnesota-Duluth
- 10:30 AM Break

- 10:45 AM Facilitated Breakout Discussion
- Icebreaker, introductions
 - Challenges in Tribal Child Welfare
 - Needs: what would help?
 - Strengths and resources in our community
 - Building coalitions
- 12:00 PM Working Lunch
Provided by Midwest Child Welfare Implementation Center
- 1:00 PM Facilitated Breakout Discussion, continued
- Finalize discussion
 - Report-out
- 2:30 PM Break
- 2:45 PM Large Group Discussion: Overarching Themes from Breakout Groups
Mark Ells, Project Director, Midwest Child Welfare Implementation Center
- Overview of Implementation Projects and the Application Process
Michelle Graef, Associate Director, Midwest Child Welfare Implementation Center
- 3:45 PM Closing Remarks
Terri Yellowhammer, Tribal Outreach Consultant, Midwest Child Welfare Implementation Center
- Drum Group-Closing Song
Medicine Rock Singers, Lac du Flambeau, Wisconsin
- 4:00 PM Adjourn