

## Siksika Medicine Lodge Community Events Calendar 2013

### CLIENT INTAKE DATES

EVENT	START DATE	END DATE
Female Intake	Jan 7, 2013	Apr 26, 2013
Male Intake	May 6, 2013	Aug 23, 2013
Female Intake	Sep 3, 2013	Dec 19, 2013

Siksika Medicine Lodge is now accepting agency referrals to our voluntary youth treatment program. We provide youth treatment to First Nations & Inuit youth in Canada. We alternate genders each 4-month treatment cycle. Our Team Leader and Teacher collect basic information about the youth and family, the problems being experienced, and the type of service being requested. This allows the Treatment Centre to direct the request appropriately.

**Location:** Siksika Medicine Lodge, Siksika, AB  
**Contact Name(s):** Tanya Sleigh, Team Leader; Stacey Running Rabbit, Teacher  
**Phone:** (403) 734 3444  
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### CLIENT GRADUATION DATES

EVENT	START DATE
Female Cycle	Apr 26, 2013
Male Cycle	Aug 23, 2013
Female Cycle	Dec 19, 2013

Client graduations are held for youth who complete our treatment program. Our treatment cycle duration is 4 months for First Nations & Inuit youth in Canada. Graduating is a huge milestone of their personal success and proof of their determination to succeed.

**Location:** Due to confidentiality, attendance is by invitation only  
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### SONS & DAUGHTERS of TRADITION SESSIONS

EVENT	START DATE	END DATE
Session 1	Apr 8, 2013	Jul 22, 2013
Session 2	Aug 5, 2013	Nov 25, 2013

In partnership with Siksika Youth Justice, SML will be providing a 14-week preventative education program with a cultural framework designed to create healthy identities by encouraging First Nation teens, to learn the value of traditions & culture as a way of preventing unhealthy behaviors and improving a healthy lifestyle. Sessions will be facilitated by the SML Team Leader and held every Monday evening; meals and transportation will be provided. Referrals currently being accepted by the Siksika Medicine Lodge.

**Location:** Siksika Youth Justice; Intersection Highway 901 & 547, Siksika, AB  
**Contact Name(s):** Debbie Smith (SML); Helen M. Flamand (Youth Justice)  
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## YOUTH SUICIDE PREVENTION CONFERENCE

EVENT	START DATE	END DATE
3-Day Conference	Jun 14, 2013	Jun 16, 2013

In partnership with Alberta Health Services, SML is hosting their 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Youth Suicide Prevention Conference. We will deliver a curriculum on current suicide prevention & awareness programming targeted for high risk youth. Referrals are being accepted by Siksika Medicine Lodge. Registration is limited to 50 youth ages 13 to 17 years from Siksika & surrounding communities.

**Location:** Kamp Kiwanis; Intersection of Highway 8 & 22, west of Calgary, AB  
**Contact Name(s):** Debbie Smith, Outreach Coordinator  
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## COMMUNITY HELPERS SESSIONS

EVENT	START DATE	END DATE
Sessions	Apr 08, 2013	

In partnership with Siksika Storefront School, the SML Teacher will be providing 'Community Helpers' sessions which is a peer helping program based on building capacity. It is based on the premise that when young people have problems, they most often turn to friends whom they trust for help and that within every school an informal "helping network" exists. This program targets ages 12-30 years.

**Location:** Siksika Storefront School; Off Highway 901, north of Old Sun College  
**Contact Name(s):** Stacey Running Rabbit (SML); Bruce Dobbin (Storefront School)  
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## SCHOOL-BASED SERVICES

EVENT	START DATE
Sessions	*TBA

Siksika Medicine Lodge is now accepting referrals to provide 'Positive Minds' sessions to youth on the Siksika Nation and surrounding schools. These sessions deliver Solvent Abuse education and awareness in the schools or for community groups. One of our senior treatment staff, along with an Outreach Worker will provide sessions for Kindergarten to High School age youth.

**Location:** Siksika Nation and Surrounding Area Schools or community group  
**Contact Name(s):** Debbie Smith, Outreach Coordinator  
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## AGENCY IN-SERVICES

EVENT	START DATE
Siksika Children Services	Mar 15, 2013

Siksika Medicine Lodge is now accepting referrals to provide In-services for your organization. The In-Services will provide information on our intake process as well as on the services we provide to the public.

**Location:** TBA  
**Contact Name(s):** Debbie Smith, Outreach Coordinator; Yvonne Olivier, Exec. Director  
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## HEALING THROUGH THEATRE

EVENT	START DATE	END DATE
Public Service Announcement (PSA)	Dec 2013	Apr 2013
Suicide Prevention Plays	Dec 2013	June 2013

In partnership with Alberta Health Services and Siksika Education Drama Department, SML is implementing the 'Healing through Theatre' Project. The goal is to present on suicide through subjective and objective perspectives. The first project is to develop a Public Safety Announcement/Ad (PSA) using local youth actors that will be played at various locations on the Siksika Nation, provided they have the technology in their facilities to accommodate. The PSA will also be played on the SML website and is basically messages in the public interest disseminated by the media without charge with the objective of raising awareness, changing public attitudes and behavior towards a social issue. A PSA normally runs about 1 minute. In addition to this PSA, we will have a longer version that will run approximately 5 to 10 minutes which can be presented to schools or community groups.

The other project is to develop plays which are developed using a subjective perspective. These plays will be implemented by First Nations actors from the Siksika Nation and other First Nations communities. The purpose is to allow the youth/actors to express themselves through theatre while showcasing the play at SMLs '3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Youth Suicide Prevention Conference' at Kamp Kiwanis (west of Calgary).

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## APPLIED SUICIDE INTERVENTION SKILLS TRAINING (ASIST)

EVENT	START DATE
Sessions	*TBA

In partnership with Alberta Health Services, SML will be implementing their '3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training' (ASIST). The ASIST two-day training is provided to Siksika Nation members. The ASIST workshop is for caregivers who want to feel more comfortable, confident and competent in helping to prevent the immediate risk of suicide.

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