

Youth Development Professionals:  
**SAVE THE DATE!!!**  
October 2, 2009



*Registration Information Available this Summer!!!*

*An Introduction to...*

## **How History Affects American Indian Family Dynamics: Implications for our Work with Children and Youth**

*How do the experiences of past generations affect  
American Indian youth today?*

As professionals working with children, youth and families, we often see *only the surface* of a young person's life. By gaining an understanding of the experience of past generations, we increase our capacity to work with young people.

Participants who attend this conference will receive an introduction to the boarding school, adoption and foster care eras in Minnesota. American Indian practitioners and community members will share their knowledge and experience. Through the engagement of youth leaders, participants will gain information that will help them consider applications to their work with children, youth and families.

### Objectives:

Participants will:

- Gain an awareness of the boarding school, adoption and foster care eras in Minnesota.
- Explore the implications of this historical perspective for youth workers.
- Leave with applicable tools and information.

### Presenters include:

**Linda Grover, Assistant Professor**  
UMD American Indian Studies Department

**Sandra White Hawk, Executive Director**  
First Nations Orphan Association

**Friday, October 2, 2009**  
**8:30am – 3:30pm**

**Cloquet Forestry Center**  
**Auditorium**

175 University Road  
Cloquet, MN 55720-9594

*Limited lodging is available at the  
Cloquet Forestry Center. Make reservations at  
218-726-6401. \$31.95/person for double  
occupancy. \$42.60/person single occupancy.*

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