



**BRINGING OUR CHILDREN HOME  
NATIONAL CONFERENCE – NOVEMBER 25 TO 27, 2019**

# **GRANDPARENTS AND SOVEREIGNTY**

**PRESENTATION BY  
GRANDMOTHERS MARY BURTON AND LORI M. MAINVILLE FOR  
FIRST NATIONS FAMILY ADVOCATE OFFICE THROUGH THE  
ASSEMBLY OF MANITOBA CHIEFS**



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# INTRODUCTION

## Acknowledgement of Territory and Cultural Protocols

Mary and Lori – As Grandmothers



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# **GRANDMOTHER'S ADVOCACY ROLE – HELPING WITH OUR PATH**

**Advocacy, Kinship, Guardianship & Customary  
Care**

**Support & Resources**

**Grandparents Circle**

**The Importance of Grandmothers**



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# **GRANDMOTHER'S ROLE – CULTURE AND SUPPORT – HELPING WITH OUR PATH**

**One to one cultural support for families, staff wellness and group program support.**

**Development of Grandparents Leadership, Peacemaking and Healing.**

**Birth alert support asserting from cultural inherent rights and sovereignty.**



# BREAK OUT GROUP

**15 minutes**    **How can Grandparents support families and community?**

**What is needed to support Grandparents and Sovereignty in respective workplaces, families and communities.**

**10 minutes**    **Share results with large group.**



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