



# 2023 EVERGREEN CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER 1-2, 2023  
THE SANFORD CONVENTION CENTER | BEMIDJI, MN

## Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> – Day One

- 7:45-8:45      **Registration & Check-in** (must sign in each day to be eligible for CEUs)  
**Breakfast & Networking Opportunity**
- 9:00-10:15      **Conference Welcome**  
Ballroom      Evergreen Youth & Family Services
- Opening Keynote**  
                         Heather Wilde, *The Kids Hold the Key: Why Validation and Empowerment are Important*
- 10:15-10:30      **Break**
- 10:30-11:30      **Breakout Session #1**  
**Room 4:** Elizabeth Schultz MSW, LGSW and Shannon Seibel MA, *Seeking Wellness: How to Implement the Biopsychosocial Spiritual Model to Help Heal from Vicarious Trauma*  
**Room 6:** Aimee Berger & Jennifer Person, *Free Employment & Training Services & Supports for Youth*  
**Ballroom:** Mary Mitchell & Daniel Fernandez-Baca, *Intersectional Experiences of Health Equity in MN Children*
- 11:30-11:45      **Break**
- 11:45-12:45      **Luncheon & Networking Opportunity**
- 12:45-1:45      **Breakout Session #2**  
**Room 4:** Ashlea McMartin, *Accessing our Own Resources*  
**Room 5:** Julie Neitzel Carr and Jen Harvey, *A Time for Action & Celebration: The MN Partnership for Adolescent and Young Adult Health Action Plan*  
**Room 6:** Charly VanGrinsven LICSW/LADC and Melinda Broden LPCC/LADC, *Co-occurring Mental Illness and Substance Use Disorders*  
**Ballroom:** Anna Goldtooth, *Health Equity in Indigenous Communities*
- 1:45-2:15      **Break**

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- 2:15-3:15      **Breakout Session #3**  
**Room 4: (Ethics session goes to 4:15pm)** Eric Nance & Candace Snodgrass, *Hazards of Working In Mental Health: It's Time to Focus on the Clinician, Not the Client*  
**Room 5:** Anita Fineday, *The New State Agency Arriving in 2024: The Dept of Children, Youth & Families*  
**Room 6:** Kathy Magnusson, M.Ed., *Sources of Strength: Promoting Peer Leaders to Model Well-Being*  
**Ballroom:** Caitlin Orgon, *Trafficking in the Northland: Updated Trends in Sex Trafficking and Exploitation*
- 3:30-5:30      **Social at The Sanford Convention Center (optional)**
- 6:30-7:30      **Free Community Session:** Caitlin Orgon, *Trafficking in the Northland: Updated Trends in Sex Trafficking and Exploitation*

**Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> – Day Two**

- 7:45-8:45      **Breakfast & Networking Opportunity** (must sign in each day to be eligible for CEUs)
- 9:00-10:15  
Ballroom      **Welcome Back**  
Evergreen Youth & family Services
- Keynote**  
Galvin Billups, *Advancing Youth Outcomes begin with Y-O-U: Strategies for Empowering Youth in Creating Brighter Futures*
- 10:15-10:30      **Break**
- 10:30-11:30      **Breakout Session #4**  
**Room 4:** Leah Corcoran, *Overcoming Overwhelm*  
**Room 5:** Shannon Shaw, *Family Advocacy Center of Northern Minnesota*  
**Room 6:** Jode Freyholtz-London, *Creating & Sustaining a Virtual Team*  
**Room 7:** Katelin Parker, *Dopamine's Role in Addiction*  
**Ballroom:** Margret Treuer & Panel, *Youth Mitigation Program: Strength Based Approach to Ending Youth Homelessness*
- 11:30-11:45      **Break**
- 11:45-12:45      **Luncheon & Networking Opportunity**
- 12:45-1:45      **Breakout Session #5**  
**Room 4:** LaToya Wilson, *Being Informed is Half the Battle*  
**Room 5:** Lisa Necastro, *Seizure Smart Training*  
**Room 6:** Kelly Olson, *Fentanyl in Focus*  
**Room 7:** Katelin Parker, *Managing Resistant Clients*  
**Ballroom:** Tim Lutz & Panel, *Peer Leadership in Schools to Build Connections & Climate*
- 1:45-2:00      **Break**
- 2:00-2:45  
Ballroom      **Final Keynote**  
Evergreen Youth Panel, *Building Brighter Futures: Learning & Listening to What Youth Need*
- 2:45-3:00      **Closing Remarks**  
Ebony Warren, Executive Director, Evergreen Youth & Family Services

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