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*Our mission is to encourage
and support Aboriginal people in
building and reinforcing sustainable
healing processes that address the
legacy of physical and sexual abuse
in the residential schools, including
intergenerational impacts.*

*Notre mission est d'encourager
et d'appuyer les autochtones afin de
bâtir et de renforcer les processus
de guérison souhaitables qui
s'attaquent aux séquelles
des abus physiques et sexuels
dans le système de pensionnats,
y compris aux séquelles
intergénérationnelles.*

ABORIGINAL HEALING FOUNDATIONS ANNOUNCES HEALING CENTRE CALLS FOR PROPOSALS

(Ottawa—March 10, 2000) The Aboriginal Healing Foundation announced today that it will begin to consider proposals for Healing Centres. The Healing Centre initiative is part of the Foundation's commitment to the need for community-based, culturally-appropriate healing approaches that address the Legacy of Physical and Sexual Abuse arising from the Residential School system, including its Intergenerational Impacts.

The Aboriginal Healing Foundation Board of Directors particularly invites proposals that will address physical and sexual abuse (for offenders and victims). Special consideration will also be given to proposals that will serve those who are traditionally under-served—including Métis, Inuit and women. To respond to the diversity of Aboriginal healing needs, Healing Centre guidelines will address a wide range of funding categories. Successful applicants will be eligible for multi-year funding.

The types of projects outlined in the Healing Centre Model include residential and non-residential community-based healing centre programs (traditional and alternative), residential trauma centres, healing lodges combining residential and non-residential services, and on-the-land wilderness (or camp) programs.

Due to the complex nature of Healing Centre Programs, a separate application form is required. The criteria and Healing Centre Model can be obtained from the offices of the Aboriginal Healing Foundation. Interest in pursuing Healing Centre funding may be expressed through the submission of a Letter of Intent to the Aboriginal Healing Foundation.

Applicants are encouraged to submit proposals early as applications for Healing Centre funding will be evaluated as they are received.

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