

Waseskun House - Returning to the community after incarceration

This workshop is designed for front-line workers and care-givers who are supporting men and women as they make the transition from prison back into their communities. It will cover such topics as the work of therapeutic communities; how to hold healing Circles and how to support, and “poke”, clients through 1-on-1 therapy, so that they truly look at their issues and continue in their healing. Although of particular interest to anyone working in public security and justice programs, this workshop will benefit support workers or family members who find themselves helping someone released from incarceration deal with the emotional challenges they face.

Biography: Waseskun Healing Center

Waseskun Healing Center is a non-profit Aboriginal organization whose goal is to facilitate the holistic healing of Indigenous men who have committed crimes and violent acts, often related to drug and alcohol abuse, and have been transferred to Waseskun as residents in order to foster their successful re-entry into their families, communities and nations. Waseskun works closely with the different indigenous communities of Quebec, Ontario, the Maritimes, and other Provinces across Canada. We accept private and community referrals as an alternative to the justice system, with support from the justice initiatives in the communities and funding from other sources.

There will be a complimentary handout.