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From Christine McLean to Everyone: 10:01 AM

Hello from Halifax - looking forward to spending this next hour or so with you all.

From Christine Massing to Everyone: 10:01 AM

Please let us know where you are from.

From Alvina Mardhani-Bayne to Everyone: 10:02 AM

Hello from Edmonton! Excited to be here :)

From Beryl McNulty to Everyone: 10:02 AM

from Lac La Biche Alberta

From Sarah McMahon to Everyone: 10:02 AM

Hello from Georgetown, Ontario--excited to talk today.

From Marc St. Dennis to Everyone: 10:02 AM

Ottawa, Ontario!

From Becky Kelley to Everyone: 10:02 AM

Hello from Edmonton!

From Nathalie Bigras to Everyone: 10:02 AM

Merci Joanne, je vais écouter en anglais.

From Me to Everyone: 10:02 AM

Hello from Vancouver!

From Kelly Mazerolle to Everyone: 10:02 AM

Hello from Vermilion, Alberta!

From Nathalie Bigras to Everyone: 10:03 AM

Hi everyone !

From Carol O'Connor to Everyone: 10:03 AM

Hello from Nanaimo

From Nathalie Bigras to Everyone: 10:03 AM

Nathalie Bigras, from Québec !

From Carolyn Wing to Everyone: 10:03 AM

Hi Everyone! This is Carolyn Wing from Vancouver. Langara College. Happy to be in this conversation!

From Jane Hewes to Everyone: 10:03 AM

hello from edmonton

From Theresa Gereluk to Everyone: 10:03 AM

Greetings from Port Alberni on Vancouver Island!

From Me to All Panelists: 10:03 AM

Good morning and so happy and excited for this webinar happening...thank you Christine and All from Vancouver!

From Holly Marsh to Everyone: 10:03 AM

Hi this is Holly from UofT Mississauga in Ontario

From Lynell Anderson to Everyone: 10:04 AM

Hello from Coquitlam, BC

From Daniel Lindskog-Wilson to Everyone: 10:04 AM

Hello Everyone , Here in Vancouver on the Unceded territories of the Musqueam Squamish and Tsleil-waututh first nations.

From Iris Berger to Everyone: 10:04 AM

Nice to see familiar names!

From Jane Bertrand to Everyone: 10:04 AM

Hello from Toronto

From Marie-Anne Hudson to Everyone: 10:04 AM

Hello from St. John's NL

From Laurel Rothman to Everyone: 10:04 AM

I assume that we are all muted?

From Maureen Elder to Everyone: 10:04 AM

Hello from St. Albert/Edmonton, Alberta

From Lisa Johnston to Everyone: 10:04 AM

Hello Everyone! Lisa Johnston from Toronto.

From carole massing to Everyone: 10:04 AM

Hello from Carole Massing in Edmonton

From Jessica Hill to Everyone: 10:05 AM

Hi folks, Jessica Hill from Nova Scotia

From Lisa Phyllis to Everyone: 10:05 AM

Hello from Acton Ontario, looking forward to the webinar!

From Joanne Lehrer to Everyone: 10:05 AM

No captioning but we will be recording the webinar, and hopefully captioning with the French translation.

From Nathalie Bigras to Everyone: 10:05 AM

Nice to see you again Martha !

From Aradhna Abraham to Everyone: 10:05 AM

Hello from Edmonton, Alberta!

From Heather Raymond to Everyone: 10:06 AM

Hello from Heather Raymond. Coordinator for the Edmonton Council for Early Learning and Care.

From Joanne Lehrer to Everyone: 10:06 AM

If you email us we can make you a certification of participation.

From Christine Massing to Everyone: 10:06 AM

We can send out certificates of participation. Please just give us a few weeks to import all of the contacts and do the housekeeping!

From Lynne Reside to Everyone: 10:06 AM

Hello from Victoria BC!

From Robyn Hume to Everyone: 10:06 AM

Hello everyone, from Gibsons B.C.

From Wendy Yewman to Everyone: 10:07 AM

Hello from Wendy Yewman, board member from Terra Centre in Edmonton

From Robyn Hume to Everyone: 10:07 AM

What time will this begin?

From Joanne Lehrer to Everyone: 10:08 AM

Yes there will be a recording available

From Me to All Panelists: 10:08 AM

are you recording the session?

From Christine Massing to Everyone: 10:09 AM

Session will be recorded and the link we be posted on our blog. The link will be shared at the end.

From Joanne Lehrer to Everyone: 10:14 AM

We can't hear her

From Daniel Lindskog-Wilson to Everyone: 10:14 AM

I can't hear here.

From Christine Massing to Everyone: 10:14 AM

Audio isn't working

From Me to Everyone: 10:14 AM

no audio

From Beryl McNulty to Everyone: 10:14 AM

no sound

[Video from Minister Maryam Monsaf preview]

From Iris Berger to Everyone: 10:18 AM

Can we have the name of the minister in the chat

From Christine Massing to Everyone: 10:18 AM

Maryam Monsef

[Roundtable 1]

From Iris Berger to Everyone: 10:19 AM

Thanks!

From Christine Massing to Everyone: 10:22 AM

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From Joanne Lehrer to Everyone: 10:32 AM

Great comment Jen! That is exactly the type of question this project wants to ask.

From Laurie Kocher to Everyone: 10:34 AM

Bonjour! Laurie Kocher (Capilano University). Here on the unneeded territories of the Coast Salish Peoples, including the Musqueam, Tseil Waututh, Squamish Peoples.

From Iris Berger to Everyone: 10:34 AM

What if we create a new discourse about ECEC? What if we move the narrative beyond ECEC as an “essential service” for the economy and focus on children, early childhood educators (who are more than a workforce), the role of ECEC in community and the unique ECEC pedagogy?

From Laurie Kocher to Everyone: 10:35 AM

Completely agree, Iris.

From Joanne Lehrer to Everyone: 10:36 AM

The Quebec government creates childcare spaces

From Don Giesbrecht to Everyone: 10:38 AM

Completely agree—this is not just about the economy, children and quality has to be central to the discussion. It’s a priority. .

Children’s Rights—Absolutely!!

From Martha Friendly to Everyone: 10:38 AM

I wou[ld].

From Courtney Neidig to Everyone: 10:38 AM

What I would like to invite is what do we mean when we say quality. I worry it is become trivialized as a buzz word, devoid of tangible meaning as well a western ideal of care.

From Holly Marsh to Everyone: 10:38 AM

I wrote a paper on this last week and used the concept “divesting from the political imaginary of ‘choice’”

From Martha Friendly to Everyone: 10:39 AM

I would argue the QC govt is more like the other PTs than different

From Daniel Lindskog-Wilson to Everyone: 10:41 AM

Holly, I would love to read that paper

From enid elliot to Everyone: 10:41 AM

yes, I would as well...

From Me to Everyone: 10:43 AM

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From Me to Everyone: 10:50 AM

IELCC Framework: <https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/programs/indigenous-early-learning/2018-framework.html>

From Robyn Hume to Everyone: 10:57 AM

Thank you for that statement!

From Joanne Lehrer to Everyone: 10:57 AM

<https://scholar.harvard.edu/sandel/publications/what-money-cant-buy-moral-limits-markets#:~:text=In%20his%20New%20York%20Times,where%20they%20don't%20belong%3F>

From cristina delgado to Everyone: 11:02 AM

I just want to clarify, is the panel addressing early childhood education as a service? Is this how are we invited to continue thinking about early childhood education? if this is the case, What can be created, pedagogically, when “service” is the concept that frames our conversations?

From Laura Fowler Massie to Everyone: 11:02 AM

Gender role imbalances have become so evident ... we need to leverage this as well

From Joanne Lehrer to Everyone: 11:03 AM

These are great points and questions - please try to post in the Q & A at the right at the bottom of your window.

From enid elliot to Everyone: 11:03 AM

is there a role for municipalities ?

From Iris Berger to Everyone: 11:04 AM

Cristina, did you see my question above?

From Laura Fowler Massie to Everyone: 11:05 AM

I bristle as well Don

From Lisa Johnston to Everyone: 11:05 AM

The Ontario Coalition for Better Childcare is engaging parents. The AECEO had an online meeting yesterday to engage parents around their concerns for re-opening in Ontario. The AECEO's Communities of Practice are engaging educators, operators are now parents as much as we can. Of course the pandemic and fears about re-opening is motivating and opening conversations as educators and parents are seeking information.

From Daniel Lindskog-Wilson to Everyone: 11:06 AM

I too wonder about the role of municipalities. If we look at other systems such as school boards or hospitals, it is municipal/provincial partnerships that primarily drive policy in those sectors and to a much lesser degree the federal government.

From Don Giesbrecht to Everyone: 11:09 AM

<https://vanierinstitute.ca/insights-on-family-well-being-during-the-covid-19-pandemic/>  
See Russ posted the link as well. Thanks so much, Russ.

From Joanne Lehrer to Everyone: 11:10 AM

This might be helpful as well: <https://www.childcarecanada.org/publications/other-publications/20/06/pandemic-experience-has-created-uncertain-future-canadian-chil>

From cristina delgado to Everyone: 11:10 AM

yes, Iris. I was hoping more conversation around these questions. More details on how are we invited to be thinking about early childhood education particularly from such an important panel of people that lead early childhood in Canada. Thank you so much!

From Christopher Smith to Everyone: 11:11 AM

There are federal-provincial-municipal possibilities. the former federal CAP program supported these in AB

From Don Giesbrecht to Everyone: 11:13 AM

<https://www.childcarecanada.org/documents/research-policy-practice/20/06/pandemic-experience-has-created-uncertain-future-canadian-c>  
<https://www.cccf-fcsge.ca/2020/06/10/the-pandemic-experience-has-created-an-uncertain-future-for-canadian-child-care-services-highlights-of-a-national-survey/>  
<https://timeforchildcare.ca/2020/06/10/child-care-survey-results-reopening-brings-concerns-requires-money/>

From Me to Everyone: 11:13 AM

<https://www.childcarecanada.org/publications/quality-design/06/01/quality-design-what-do-we-know-about-quality-early-learning-and-ch>

From Christopher Smith to Everyone: 11:14 AM

Shawna. An important question. Municipal governments perhaps need to see options of what might be possible. They are under serious fiscal pressures and so would need to develop partnerships with a higher level of government.

From Robyn Hume to Everyone: 11:15 AM

...including the early childhood teachers!

From Courtney Neidig to Everyone: 11:15 AM

Thank you for the link Maria.

From Farah Rahim to Everyone: 11:15 AM

amazing Conversation

From Lisa Johnston to Everyone: 11:15 AM

Thank you all!!

From Iris Berger to Everyone: 11:16 AM

At least we recognize these issues as a topic for dialogue and debate

From Farah Rahim to Everyone: 11:16 AM

Thank you everyone

From Laura Fowler Massie to Everyone: 11:16 AM

Thank you panelists

From Martha Friendly to Everyone: 11:16 AM

<https://www.childcarecanada.org/search/node/quality%20by%20design> Someyears ago, Jane Beach and I tried to organize the various pieces of what quality ECEC system could look like-perhaps a statrting point

From Me to Everyone: 11:16 AM

Thank you so much to All brilliant panelists!

From Courtney Neidig to Everyone: 11:17 AM

Thank you Martha for the link.

From Morna Ballantyne, Child Care Now to Everyone: 11:17 AM

I invite you to join Child Care Now so that we can stay in touch and stay connected and organized at [www.timeforchildcare.ca](http://www.timeforchildcare.ca)

From Martha Friendly to Everyone: 11:18 AM

Thanks for all the insightful comments and questions....onward



From Joanne Lehrer to Everyone: 11:20 AM

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1jplKknjy9ON\\_ItnbEtQTxW602AKTIhqJ/view](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1jplKknjy9ON_ItnbEtQTxW602AKTIhqJ/view)

From Jane Bertrand to Everyone: 11:21 AM

Sign up for weekly newsletter from Atkinson Centre Newsletter for regular updates on early learning and child care across Canada.

The link for the Atkinson Centre newsletter is <https://utoronto.us9.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=b873a1d1c0051c1402dce1477&id=48f33d7812>

[Roundtable #2]

From Laura Fowler Massie to Everyone: 11:37 AM

I am worried about the “rush” to recovery and the impact. Cutting corners re: quality etc as we rush...

From Robyn McEvoy to Everyone: 11:38 AM

I agree - it is difficult but maybe we can slow down and do it better.

From enid elliot to Everyone: 11:39 AM

It needs discussion and thought in several different areas with cross discussions happening!

From Laura Fowler Massie to Everyone: 11:39 AM

Ontario announcements yesterday are SO problematic regarding re-opening

From Kate Hammer to Everyone: 11:40 AM

Would love to talk about Ontario's announcement. I agree.

From Iris Berger to Everyone: 11:40 AM

However, the “economy” is not working for everyone, maybe we need child care participants/activists to think what is meant by the “economy” who the economy is working for. How might child care be recognized as part of a transformative thinking not only keeping the status quo?

From enid elliot to Everyone: 11:40 AM

While creating universally we need to keep in mind local....

From Robyn Hume to Everyone: 11:41 AM

Set down a good foundation first and gradually build back differently better and Well

From Joanne Lehrer to Everyone: 11:41 AM

I agree Iris - we don't want to go back to how it was before

From Me to Everyone: 11:42 AM

Right Iris. And caring for children as per "child care" has many layers and forms, different levels, all around the needs of families that are not homogeneous to start.

From Maggie Powter to Everyone: 11:42 AM

I'm interested to hear about Ontario's reopening and what is problematic...is it the expectations around health and safety guidelines? Lack of consideration for mental health and well being of children and educators? Is it the financial risks that centres are now facing? These are some of my Yukon concerns...interested to hear more.

From Me to Everyone: 11:46 AM

(re Andrew Bevan's last statement re the building of our society)...A society that is interested in addressing issues of racism, violence, discrimination since the very early years through the modelling of conversations and shared values in ECE...

Re:Maggie's question about ON's plan for reopening -all of the above,and more, I'd say.

From Daniel Lindskog-Wilson to Everyone: 11:51 AM

I know in BC we are starting to send ece students back on practicum soon... but there are still so many questions. both the instructors and the students have sooo many questions

From Cadence Emery to Everyone: 11:51 AM

I feel that Ontario allowing childcare centres to open without funding provided will largely impact the concept of the market system of childcare here. From my work within the community I can say that most centres in my area will be unable to reopen and stay afloat on the limited capacity that is aloud, and we are going to see a large gap in spaces that are available to families. The market system barely functioned at the ratios that we had with most centres having to cut costs across the board to make a profit, the holes in our system are about to be blown wide open.

From Lisa Johnston to Everyone: 11:51 AM

Yes Amelia this is very worrisome. I have students in a fast track program who are finishing their first year online now are not feeling prepared to even consider entering the workforce.

From Andrea Stirling to Everyone: 11:52 AM

Amy Huskins, exactly how does this change pre-service.

From Robyn Hume to Everyone: 11:53 AM

Agreed Amelia. I think the students already working in the field deserve their ECE certification in a shorter and new way. A type of challenge to the program as we cannot complete practicums. I am in a 2 year program part time while working full time. Courses offered have failed to meet their original timeline with a pandemic situation.

From Me to All Panelists: 11:54 AM

I see questions from pre-service students - very concerned...is there time to address these?

From Christine Massing to Everyone: 11:57 AM

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We invite you to share ECEC resources and stories from your region. Our hope is to create a pan-Canadian space for educators, policy makers, researchers, advocates, activists, families, knowledge keepers, and academics to share about ECEC policy, pedagogy, and theory as well as to mobilize to inspire further action at provincial/territorial and federal levels.

From Juan Saldivar to Everyone: 11:58 AM

Hi everyone! It is only my second year here and Canada and on this short time I have noticed that unfortunately childcare seems to be consider a privilege rather than a right for all families. I truly hope this seemly view of childcare changes soon. COVID-19 has shown us the vulnerabilities families are subject to without childcare. Something has to be done to provide affordable and quality care.

From Iris Berger to Everyone: 11:58 AM

I remember an example from Sweden, where a gender task force challenged the practice of snow removal as done first in major roads (for cars) and changed to clearing paths leading to schools and children's centre

From Christopher Smith to Everyone: 11:59 AM

Thanks for the insights Jazz. Important and profound.

From Me to Everyone: 11:59 AM

Please share here within the blog: <https://ecenarratives.opened.ca/events/posts-and-comments-from-webinar/>

From Sylvianne Robinson to Everyone: 11:59 AM

Thanks so much to everyone for this amazing Webinar

From Christine Massing to Everyone: 12:00 PM

Thank you all so much for coming together and for your thoughtful discussion.

From Jen Budney to Everyone: 12:00 PM

This has been a great webinar. I look forward to future iterations.

From Morna Ballantyne, Child Care Now to Everyone: 12:00 PM

It would be really good, I think, to have a webinar about Quebec's family policy: why it was developed, what has happened to it over the last decades, etc. One aspect of the development of Quebec child care was that it was done as part of a broad project to develop the "social economy" - the role of the state

with respect to the social economy has been described as downloading responsibility to under-resourced communities (so also an “individual” approach of sorts)

From Kelly Mazerolle to Everyone: 12:00 PM

Thank you!

From Marie-Anne Hudson to Everyone: 12:00 PM

Wonderful session - thank you!

From enid elliot to Everyone: 12:00 PM

Thank you everyone! much appreciated, enid

From Lynell Anderson to Everyone: 12:00 PM

Thanks everyone!

From Daniel Lindskog-Wilson to Everyone: 12:00 PM

Yes, thank you!

From HA NA WEE to Everyone: 12:00 PM

Thank you

From Me to Everyone: 12:00 PM

Thank you to the translator!!!)

From Becky Kelley to Everyone: 12:00 PM

Thanks everyone!

From Julia Black to Everyone: 12:00 PM

Thank you everyone.

From Beryl McNulty to Everyone: 12:00 PM

thank you

From Christine McLean to Everyone: 12:00 PM

Thanks so much - lots to think about

From Iris Berger to Everyone: 12:00 PM

Thank you everyone!

From Aradhna Abraham to Everyone: 12:00 PM

Thank you. Lots to think about...

From Lisa Johnston to Everyone: 12:00 PM

Thank you all for your ongoing work and commitment.

From Vanessa Scoon to Everyone: 12:00 PM

thank you

From Ai Paul to Everyone: 12:01 PM

Thank you

From Debra Mayer to Everyone: 12:01 PM

thank you! Merci!

From Andrea Stirling to Everyone: 12:01 PM

thank you.

From enid elliot to Everyone: 12:01 PM

Do we have to choose?

From Laurel Rothman to Everyone: 12:01 PM

This rich discussion is much appreciated. Merci!

From Me to Everyone: 12:01 PM

Thank you deeply to panelists and organizers and amazing participants!

From Laurie Kocher to Everyone: 12:01 PM

Merci beaucoup! Yes, we can do it all.

From Lynne Reside to Everyone: 12:01 PM

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From Iris Berger to Everyone: 12:01 PM

The debate is important

From Maureen Elder to Everyone: 12:01 PM

Thank you very much for this amazing webinar; I have had my eyes opened to many topics and views that are so important to our industry. Inspirational

From Laurie Kocher to Everyone: 12:02 PM

Debate and Dialogue!

From Holly Marsh to Everyone: 12:02 PM

any chance there is going to be some on Forest schools and outdoor programs?

From Juan Saldivar to Everyone: 12:02 PM

Hi Laurie K. (this is Johnny)

From Laurie Kocher to Everyone: 12:03 PM

Glad you're here, Juan!

From Sophia Mohamed to Everyone: 12:03 PM

Thank you very much!

From Robyn Hume to Everyone: 12:03 PM

Thank you Monica!

From Juan Saldivar to Everyone: 12:04 PM

Thank you everyone.

**End of Chat**

**Q&A follow on page 15 below**

Q&A

RT 1

You 10:59 AM

Dr Greenwood's presentation highlights that indeed, the grounds for a new conversation around early learning and care that moves from a market-driven and fiscal-dependent model are held within the Indigenous ELCC. In the spirit of the recommendations from the Commission of Truth and Reconciliation, how, can these principles be brought front and forward to a federal and provincial level?

Lily Patzer 10:59 AM

Will this Snail project promote, advocate and lobby for a universal system-or is this for research to promote policy.

Joanne Lehrer 11:02 AM

The project is trying to document and share stories of how change happens in ECEC, and to mobilize this knowledge with educators, parents, and others in the sector, across the country.

RT 2

Krystle Hanson 11:03 AM

Has the pandemic changed the conversation about child care in other countries? If so, are we able to draw from their experiences or shared perspectives?

Martha Friendly 11:28 AM

In some countries the conversation changed long ago,so it was much better positioned to adapt and survive-the govts were able to "steer it". Denmark is a good example. In the market countries- US,AU,UK- similar discussions are going on as Canada - tho their govts may be less receptive. Check out the CRRU website on this

Lily Patzer 11:17 AM

can you re post blog info

Joanne Lehrer 11:28 AM

<https://ecenarratives.opened.ca/>

You 11:33 AM

To all panelists from their perspectives: Could you share your views around these thoughts: In a webinar about public health and the pandemic, Dr Bonnie Henry, Medical Officer of BC stated yesterday that while economy is important, it does not happen without "lives"...however the current media and political discourses seem to separate these two. In thinking about lives, and within the world of early childhood education, learning and care, I worry about the push for childcare without caring (for the needs of children, parents, and educators) about the push for learning without the notions of

relationships and connectedness and community and partnership (once again following Dr Greenwood's presentation in Roundtable 1.) How to move away from these divisive discourses - economy and lives?