



May 18 & 19

2022 Symposium on Child & Youth Trauma

A large virtual gathering of over 1,300 people from Canada, the United States, Europe, Africa and Australia

ATTENDEES

included practitioners, clinicians, managers, policy makers, researchers and students, parents and foster parents, victims and survivors, all united at this virtual event in a collective process to actively denounce violence against children and youth.

ORGANIZED

by the Canadian Consortium on Child and Youth Trauma which is supported by a SSHRC Partnership grant, McGill University and our partner organizations.

GUEST OF HONOR



Beverly Keeshig-Soonias

Elder of the Canadian Psychology Association's Indigenous People's Section

Beverly is a member of Chippewas of Nawash. She is a registered psychologist and has a law degree and a Masters degree in Family Therapy. Beverly, her parents and family members are survivors of colonialism, Indian Residential schools, Indian Day schools, and the Sixties Scoop.

Beverly has extensive knowledge of the intergenerational and systemic effects of colonialism, family systems, adolescents, brain development, and the power of healing.

She has worked as a psychologist with adolescents and families since 1992 and for community agencies.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Dr. Sandra Bloom

Associate Professor of Health Management and Policy at Drexel University

Dr. Bloom is a renowned psychiatrist who graduated from Temple University School of Medicine. Over the past forty years, Dr. Bloom has conducted groundbreaking studies in the field of traumatic stress.

From 1980 to 2001, Dr. Bloom was the founder and director of the Sanctuary Programs for psychiatric patients with trauma-related psychological disorders.

In 2020, Dr. Bloom introduced a new online organizational and clinical approach called Creating PRESENCE that aims to create organizations with trauma-sensitive practices.

STUDENT CONTRIBUTIONS

to the advancement of research in the field of child and youth trauma

Student participants were invited to submit a pre-recorded presentation regarding child and youth trauma.

The two Canadian Consortium on Child & Youth Trauma 2022 Student Awards were given to

Ky Scott and Josianne Lamothe

PRESENTATIONS BY MEMBERS

The two-day Symposium also highlighted eight practice-based presentations,

including several panels given by former youth in care who shared their reflections on how existing child welfare systems can be improved.