

Lunch is provided on June 8
compliments of Meskwaki
Family Services.

A block of hotel rooms has
been set aside for participants.

DHS employees please regis-
ter through Mary Jo Beckman
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via the ITS system.

CEU's have been applied for
this event.

1. Name:

2. Address:

3.: Organization:

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5. Phone:

6. Attending :

_____ Monday, June 8

_____ Tuesday, June 9



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A Collaboration for ICWA Compliance Indian Child Welfare Conference

June 8 & 9, 2009
Meskwaki Casino
Convention Center
Tama, Iowa



"Strengthening Families"

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a-se-mi-e-ti-so-wa-ki
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Agenda—Day 1 June 8, 2009

8:00—8:30	Registration
8:30-8:45	Opening ceremony: Presentation of Colors by Meskwaki Nation VFW Robert Morgan Post 701
8:45—9:00	Welcome Larry Lasley, Sr., Exec. Director, Sac & Fox Tribe
9:00—10:00	ICWA—Supreme Court Rulings & Implications
10:00—10:15	Break
10:15—Noon	Meskwaki Historical Child Welfare Cases
Noon—1:00pm	Lunch Provided
1:00—2:00	DEC Alliance
2:00—2:15	Break
2:15—4:00 pm	Tribal-State Memo- randum of Agreement

Agenda—Day 2 June 9, 2009

8:00—8:30	Registration
8:30-8:45	Welcome
8:45—10:00	Tribal Court
10:00—10:15	Break
10:15—Noon	Judge Joseph Plummer “Enrollment vs. Membership”
Noon—1:00pm	Lunch on your Own
1:00—3:30 pm	Meskwaki Family Ser- vices Panel
3:30pm	Closing



Courtesy of Meskwaki Historical Preservation Office

Training Goals and Objectives:

Assist child welfare professionals and volunteers to:

- *Increase understanding of the provisions of the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA)*
- *Understand the provisions of ICWA and their significance for social work practice in Iowa*
- *Clarify responsibilities defined in ICWA for those who serve as representatives of, and advocates for Indian children*
- *Explore methods of meeting the needs of Indian children*
- *Understand tribal court system and its jurisdiction*

Objectives:

- *Explain the circumstances that have shaped Indian Child welfare policies*
- *Explain the purpose of ICWA*
- *Clarify guidelines for compliance with ICWA*
- *Understand the difference between tribal enrollment and membership.*
- *Delineate ICWA placement preference for Indian children*
- *Identify and explain recent changes in State and Tribal court*
- *Highlight current cultural issues facing professionals and volunteers working with Native children.*

