



LAC LA RONGE INDIAN BAND

1212 Kitsaki Reserve
#156B Highway 2 South
La Ronge, SK S0J 1L0

Child and Family Services Agency Inc.

- Child Protection
- Family Services
- Foster Care
- Prevention Services

Email: laronge@icfs.ca

Background

Lac La Ronge Indian Child and Family Services Agency Inc. (ICFS), delivers child welfare services to band members in six north-central Saskatchewan communities of the Lac La Ronge Indian Band. ICFS assumed responsibility for the administration and operation of its programs in 1994 and has been delivering child and family services for the last sixteen years.

The organization has earned a Three-Year Accreditation with CARF International and is the first on-reserve organization in Canada to achieve recognition by CARF International. Accreditation has been awarded for the following programs:

- Case Management/Services Coordination
- Child/Youth Protection
- Family Preservation and Support
- Foster Family and Kinship Care
- *Governance Standards Applied*



Implementing Quality Standards

Working toward accreditation has facilitated positive change within ICFS. All levels of the organization became engaged in preparatory activities, resulting in a more cohesive staff working toward a common goal. The standards helped to streamline operations, ultimately creating a more efficient and effective operation. Externally, ICFS connected with other organizations that were able to provide support and mentorship.

Strength and Commitment

Through the on-site survey, the strengths of ICFS were highlighted. The survey is meant to be a consultative process whereby surveyors share ideas and suggestions with the organization. Among its many strengths, ICFS has a strong, dynamic, and committed board, executive director, and management team, all of whom hold a common vision and forward-thinking philosophy. There is a high level of professional commitment throughout the organization. Staff members possess exceptional passion for and commitment to assisting persons served to build a strong foundation for their well-being. The highly respected organization is viewed by funding and referral sources and the community as being an asset, with a strong commitment to the children and youths served.

For more information about accreditation, please contact CARF Canada.