Peter Ballantyne Child & Family Services Inc.

"31 Years in Operation"

13th Annual PBCFSI Conference

- Group 1: October 20-22, 2026
- Group 2: November 4-6, 2026

Delta Hotel Downtown
405 20th Street East
Saskatoon, SK.

AGENDA

Message from PBCFSI Executive Director

"It is so easy to get caught up in our daily routines without taking time to care for ourselves. I hope each and every one of you see how important you are and how deserving you are of the care and attention you often show to others without showing the same to yourself. Respect yourself. Love yourself. Never be afraid to put yourself first because you are worth it"

—Vera Sayese—

Day 1—Wednesday
November 4, 2026

8:00 – 9:00 am	**Registration** (Must register to be eligible for draws) Breakfast provided
9:00 – 9:30 am	**Welcome—Emcee**, Simon Jobb
	Opening Prayer/Opening Remarks Executive Director, Vera Sayese
9:30 – 10:45 am	**"Nolan Malbeuf & Elaine Malbeuf"**
10:45 – 11:00 am	Health Break
11:00 – 12:00 am	**"Nolan & Elaine Malbeuf"** – Continues
12:00 – 1:00 pm	Lunch provided
1:00 – 2:30 pm	**"Beyond Driven"** Tim Arrigo
2:30 – 2:45 pm	Health Break
2:45 – 4:00 pm	**"Beyond Driven" –** Continues
4:00 – 4:30 pm	**Closing Prayer** **Draws** (Must attend the full day of conference to qualify)

Emcee Speaker Profile & Day 2 Speaker

Simon Jobb

PBCN Member

Simon Jobb is a Peter Ballantyne Cree Nation Member from the community of Southend. Simon is a social worker for over 20 years, a mental health therapist, motivational speaker and Emcee.

He is happily married man for over 22 year, a proud father and a grandfather. His passion is to share knowledge and laughter with individuals through community involvement, work, conferences and events by helping others face whatever struggle and challenges they endure in their individual journeys.

We must share our knowledge with one another for one of the greatest values is sharing.

Hope everyone involved has a wonderful week. Tiniki.

Day 1: Speaker Profile

Elaine Malbeuf

Author | Inspirational Speaker | Storyteller | Addictions Counsellor | Leadership Coach

Dr. Elaine Malbeuf is a Métis woman born and raised in Île-à-la-Crosse, Saskatchewan, and is fluent in Northern Michif. She is a wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother whose passion for healing is deeply rooted in both her personal journey and the experiences of her family.

Elaine understands that addiction and trauma rarely affect only one person—they touch the entire family. She has experienced this reality from more than one side. As a survivor of intergenerational trauma connected to the Mission School era in Île-à-la-Crosse and a former Day Scholar of Rossignol School, Elaine has had to confront the effects of trauma within her own life and family. She also overcame her own struggles with addiction and early childhood trauma and has now lived clean and sober for more than 35 years.

In recent years, Elaine and her husband, Peter, found themselves walking another difficult road as parents as their oldest son struggled with addiction and unresolved early childhood trauma. Rather than viewing recovery as something their son had to journey through alone, they came to understand that healing needed to involve the family.

Together, they supported their son through recovery while also confronting painful experiences, family wounds, relationships, and patterns that required healing. Their journey has not simply been about becoming free from addiction; it has been about rebuilding trust, restoring relationships, learning to communicate differently, extending forgiveness, taking responsibility where needed, and discovering what it means to heal together as a family.

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Today, Elaine and their oldest son share parts of that journey together—not from the perspective of a family that has arrived at perfection, but as a mother and son who continue to walk a path of healing, recovery, reconciliation, and restoration. Their story demonstrates that recovery can become more than an individual's journey; it can open the door for healing across relationships and generations.

Elaine is an inspirational speaker and storyteller who believes that some of the deepest healing occurs when we have the courage to tell the truth about what has happened to us, listen to one another's stories, and recognize that healing is a journey that families can walk together.

Her forthcoming book, *Woven by Many Colors*, launching in January 2027, explores many of these same threads—identity, intergenerational trauma, addiction and recovery, shame, loss, faith, healing, restoration, and the discovery of purpose through life's most difficult experiences.

As Elaine and her son share their story, their hope is that other individuals and families affected by addiction and childhood trauma will recognize that **recovery is possible, relationships can be restored, and cycles of pain do not have to continue into the next generation.**

Elaine's personal mission captures the heart of this journey:

"To be a conduit of hope in the life of another."

Day 1: Speaker Profile

Nolan Malbeuf

Nolan has a powerful and dynamic speaking style that not only shares his journey but also aims to educate, challenge, and empower others. He uses a variety of object lessons designed to reinforce the audience' understanding of what is being shared. Nolan uses honesty and humour to connect with the audience and he is able to create a safe environment for all involved.

Nolan has been in recovery since September 2022 and has become a strong advocate for inner healing and learning to champion recovery. He has a powerful story that exemplifies resilience, determination, and hope. He is passionate about encouraging others. He knows that it is possible to live a better life, outside of addiction, suffering, and shame. As an intergenerational survivor of residential school, he understands the rippling effect of healing and change, and that every change we make is generational.

You can find him tattooing at Midnight Oil Tattoo Co. in Regina, or speaking at events throughout Saskatchewan and beyond.

"Nolan Malbeuf is an incredibly powerful and inspiring motivational speaker. He has a natural ability to connect with the audience, delivering his message that is both authentic and impactful. Nolan doesn't just speak-he urges people to take action, challenges their limits, and believes in their potential. His energy, clarity, and genuine passion leaves a lasting impression long after the event is over."

Day 1: Speaker Profile

Tim Arrigo

Business Owner at Beyond Driven Enterprises, INC.

Tim Arrigo is a certified master's-level counselor with over 20,000 hours of clinical experience specializing in mental health, marriage and family counseling, and substance abuse treatment.

As the former Men's Ministry Director at His Place Church, Tim has mentored countless men toward profound personal and spiritual growth.

Tim is the founder of Beyond Driven and the Total Breakthrough Academy, platforms designed to empower individuals to heal, break free from their past, and create fulfilling, purpose-driven lives.

Day 2—Thursday
November 5, 2026

8:00 – 9:00 am	Breakfast provided
9:00 – 9:10 am	**Welcome—**Emcee, Simon Jobb **Opening Prayer**
9:10 – 10:30 am	**"Hope, Resilience and Recovery"** Joey Genereaux
10:30 – 10:45 am	Health Break
10:45 – 12:00 pm	**"Work/Health & Endless Positivity"** Simon Jobb
12:00 – 1:00 pm	Lunch provided
1:00 – 2:00 pm	**"Theo Fleury & Brayden Morton"**
2:00 – 2:55 pm	Health Break
2:15 – 3:30 pm	**"Theo Fleury & Brayden Morton"** - Continues
3:30 – 4:35 pm	**Closing Prayer** **Draws** (Must attend full day of conference to qualify)
6:00 – 10 pm	**Banquet**

Day 2: Speaker Profile

Joey Genereaux

Joey Genereaux is an Indigenous motivational speaker and fitness coach who has spent more than seven years sharing his story with communities across Turtle Island.

Through his journey of recovery and personal transformation, Joey speaks about hope, resilience, and the strength it takes to rebuild your life.

As a keynote speaker, he brings an engaging and inspiring message that encourages people to believe change is possible and take their next step forward.

Day 2: Speaker Profile

Theo Fleury

Canadian Former Professional Ice Hockey Player, Author & Motivational Speaker

Theo Fleury is perhaps best known for his time on the ice. But off the rink, his life once carried the markings of a troubled childhood, abuse and coping with emotional pain through addictive and self-destructive behaviours.

Today, Theo defines himself as a victor over trauma and addiction, and a facilitator to those still trying to find their way. His best-selling books, Playing with Fire and Conversations with a Rattlesnake, encourage open sharing and provide practical tools that people seeking help can personally use.

These tools are also useful to those who want to lead a productive conversation, called “Real Conversations”, with anybody else experiencing trauma.

Day 2: Speaker Profile

Brayden Morton

Founder, The Oaks Wellness Centre,
Entrepreneur , Recovery Advocate

Brayden Morton's story is one of survival, transformation, spiritual healing, and the extraordinary power of recovery. Growing up surrounded by conflict and chaos, Brayden's life eventually led him into addiction, violence, and homelessness. At his lowest point, after being shot and stabbed, he left the hospital refusing further medical attention so he could continue using drugs. After 12 attempts at treatment, he had nearly lost all hope.

Sixteen years ago, a First Nations medicine man took Brayden under his wing, introducing him to traditional ceremonies, sweat lodges, and Indigenous spiritual teachings. Although Brayden is not First Nations, he credits these teachings, the guidance of his mentor, and the spiritual connection he developed as profoundly influential in saving his life and shaping his recovery. Today, Brayden celebrates 11 years of sobriety. His journey has taken him from homelessness to owning two companies, including The Oaks Wellness Centre in Salmon Arm, British Columbia.

Despite his professional success, Brayden considers his greatest accomplishment to be becoming a loving, present, and dependable family member.

Through The Oaks, he has dedicated his life to creating a safe and compassionate environment where individuals can confront trauma, experience emotional healing, and rediscover hope.

Brayden shares his story with deep gratitude for those who helped guide him, and with an unwavering belief that no one is beyond recovery.

His message is simple: Your past does not define your future. Healing is possible, transformation is real, and recovery can change everything.

Day 3—Friday
November 6, 2026

8:00 – 9:00 am	Breakfast provided
9:00 – 9:10 am	**Welcome**—Emcee, Simon Jobb **Opening Prayer**
9:10 – 11:00 am	**"Charlene Bruno"**
11:00 – 12:00 pm	**Closing Remarks—**Executive Director, Vera Sayese **Closing Prayer** **Main Big Draw** (Must attend 2 ½ full days to qualify)
12:00 – 1:00 pm	**Lunch** provided **Check Out** **Travel back to communities**—Safe Travels

Day 3: Speaker Profile

Charlene Bruno

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Founder and CEO – Bruno Consulting

Charlene is a proud member of the Samson Cree Nation in Treaty 6 Territory and the CEO and Founder of Bruno Consulting. With over two decades of experience working with First Nations organizations and communities across both the for-profit and not-for-profit sectors, Charlene has extensive expertise in governance, organizational leadership, strategic planning, economic development, and capacity building.

Bruno Consulting provides a holistic approach to management consulting, facilitation, human resources, project management, event management and organizational development. Her work focuses on strengthening organizational capacity, supporting effective governance, and helping First Nations communities and businesses achieve their strategic and economic development goals.

Charlene is also passionate about empowering Indigenous women entrepreneurs. Through business coaching, training, and mentorship, she supports aspiring and established business owners in business planning, business start-up, and entrepreneurial development. Driven by a commitment to Indigenous prosperity, self-determination, and sustainable economic growth, Charlene works to build capacity, create opportunities, and support Indigenous communities and entrepreneurs in shaping a strong and sustainable future for generations to come.

Years of service awards
5 years

Ashton Morin

Ashton began his career as a full-time employee at Receiving Home in Southend on May 28, 2021, before joining Prince Albert Boys' Peer Home on February 14, 2022. Throughout his time with the agency, he has demonstrated his commitment through hard work, determination, and thoughtful, trauma-informed care.

Driven to achieve his objectives, he is committed to excellence and brings adaptive problem-solving skills to every task. We're grateful for his dedicated service and warmly congratulate him on reaching this five-year milestone. Supervisor, Beatrice Clarke

Charity Linklater

I had the opportunity working with Charity and she works well with the children. Charity has a lot of energy and a willingness to learn.

Congratulations on your 5 years. Supervisor, Beatrice Charles

Cheryl Michelle

Cheryl is a our most improved worker and reliable I've had the pleasure working with. Cheryl has the commitment and dedication and loves working with the children.

Thank you, Cheryl and congratulations on your 5 years of services. Supervisor, Beatrice Charles

Years of service awards
5 years

Cheyanne Ballantyne

Congratulations on five remarkable years with PBCFS - This milestone represents more than the passage of time – it reflects five years of commitment, compassion and service to children and families. The work you do carries deep meaning, and your dedication has contributed to creating hope, support and positive change in the lives of others.

Working in this field requires patience, strength, empathy and a caring heart. Your five years of service are an accomplishment to be proud of and testament to the difference one person can make through meaningful work. As you celebrate this special anniversary, may you reflect with pride on how far you have come and look forward to the opportunities ahead. Your efforts are valued, you contributions matter and you dedication does not go unnoticed.

Congratulations again Cheyanne, wishing you continues success, fulfillment and many more milestones and the years to come.

Don Dore

Today, we recognize and celebrate the outstanding dedication and expertise that our Systems Administrator, Don Dore, brings to this organization. His commitment to maintaining secure reliable systems, and consistently going above and beyond has strengthened our operations in countless ways. His professionalism, problem-solving mindset, and unwavering reliability make him an invaluable member of our team, and we are truly grateful for the impact he makes every single day.

You're a hell of a guy Don!!

Congratulations on 5 years with the PBCFSI! IT Manager, Rene Krieg

Years of service awards
5 years

Dorothy Beatty

Congratulations on five years of reliability, expertise, and generosity. You've become someone the entire team counts on—not just for your skill, but for your willingness to help and support others in big and small ways at the Deschambault Lake Receiving Home.

Thank you for choosing us. This anniversary isn't just a marker of time; it's a celebration of your hard work, growth, and collaboration that continue to move the Agency forward. Supervisor, Kelly Beatty

Jaren Dorion

I have had the opportunity with working with Jaren she has been a hard and reliable worker. Jaren has her own style and always helping with the children.

Thank you, Jaren and congratulations, for your 5 years of services. Supervisor, Beatrice Charles

John Clarke

On behalf of our team, I would like to express our sincere appreciation for your five years of dedicated service as our Capital Assets Manager. Throughout these past five years, your commitment, humor, and hard work have played a very important role within PBCFSI. Your contributions, reliability, and willingness to take on challenges have not gone unnoticed. Five years of service is a meaningful milestone, and we want you to know how much your work and dedication are valued.

Thank you for the time, energy, and expertise you have invested in this role and for the positive impact you continue to make on our team. We are grateful to have you as part of our organization and look forward to continuing to work with you. May you take pride in all that you have accomplished over the past five years, and may the years ahead bring you continued success and fulfillment. With sincere appreciation and gratitude. Executive Director, Vera Sayese

Years of service awards
5 years

Karen Morin

Karen, Congratulations on your dedication on the job well done, considering the challenges that come your way. I have worked with Karen very closely in the past 5 years. She sticks to her boundaries and does what is asked, the best way she knows how. Karen is open to talking about what bothers her in private.

Thank you, Karen for all the hard work that you do at the Culture Camp and continue to be a good team player. Karen speaks fluently in Cree so that the younger participants hear at the Culture Camp. Our language is important. Tiniki & Ekosi, respectfully yours. Tina McCallum

I've gotten to know Karen through our time at Cultural camp. She helps clean and take care of the facility. Karen is very quiet, but when she talks - she has a lot to share especially with her knowledge of cultural activities. She welcomes everyone at camp and works well with Tina. She's friendly, supportive, and always willing to help.

Congratulations Karen on 5 years of hard work and a job well done! Prevention Manager, Anna Kkailther

Lavonne Linklater

Lavonne, congratulations on five incredible years with PBCFS! Your dedication as a hardworking professional, a loving wife, and a devoted mother shines through in everything you do, especially in the gentle, helpful support you provide to all your coworkers. The youth you work with are so lucky to have your natural instincts guiding them, and it's clear that you are destined to achieve any goal you set for yourself.

Cheers to five years of excellence and to many more successful years ahead with the agency! Supervisor, Delores Halkett

Years of service awards
5 years

Lonnie McKenzie

Lonnie works well with the children and loves baking with them and making their faces smile. Lonnie has the commitment and loves working with the children.

Congratulations on your 5 years. Supervisor, Beatrice Charles

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Mary Merasty

Mary is a valued Supervisor who works from the heart. She has a smile that can light up a room and always respectful to everyone she works with. The agency is so grateful for your unwavering commitment and dedication over the past 5 years. You're a true asset to our team and wish you the best to continued success.

Thank you, Mary and congratulations. Resource Manager, June McCallum

Margaret Ballantyne

Thank you for five years of commitment. Your commitment has strengthened the entire team, and your contributions continue to lift our work. We appreciate you and everything you bring to the Deschambault Lake Receiving Home.

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Years of service awards
5 years

Sharon Sanderson

With deep appreciation, we recognize Sharon Sanderson for 5 years of commitment. Your impact of dedication, leadership, reliability, and overall work ethic does not go unnoticed. Life has not been easy for you in recent years, but you still showed up to work with love in your heart, steadiness in your consistency, strength in your power, and resilience in your soul.

From the staff at SPH1; I have the honour of saying thank you for 5 years". Supervisor, Katie Merasty

Tyra Cook

Tyra Cook congratulations on your 5 years with PBCFSI, it has been a pleasure to work with you. You are loving, compassionate & kindhearted to everyone. Your dedication to your work shows how much you love your job and the children we serve. Your teamwork is the best with our work home. Keep on smiling & making jokes.

Tiniki Tyra we are all so proud of you & we love you. Sincerely Your Supervisor Jenny Clarke

Vennessa Jobb

I want to thank you for working at the SERH1 for five years. Your quiet and calm way of working with the children is why the children love you the most. Your unique, precision passion in the way you serve our children no one can replace.

Congratulations Vennessa. Thank you once again for serving PBCFSI all these years. Supervisor, Beatrice Clarke

Years of service awards
10 years

Clarissa Cook

I want to thank you for working at the SERH1 for Ten years. Your always show love to the children by taking them extra snacks and other gifts when you go town. The love and compassion you show for each child is greatly admired. Congratulations Clarissa. Thank you once again for serving PBCFSI all these years. Supervisor, Beatrice Clarke

Kelly Beatty

Kelly began her employment with PBCFSI in November 2016, as a Child Protection Worker, and joined the Resource team as the Deschambault Lake Receiving Home Supervisor in March 2021. Kelly and I have been working together since October 2021 and I am grateful for her effective management skills and how she dedicatedly operates the home safely for the children.

Congratulations on your 10th year work anniversary Kelly. We anticipate many more productive years of collaboration with you. Resource Manager, Linda Eninew

Kristen McCallum

Thank for working with us at SERH1 for ten years. We love your cooking and your buns, lol. Your dedication, and compassion shows just by what you do with these children when you're at work. You're a big part of our work family, the children just love you.

Congratulations on your ten year recognition. We love you. Supervisor, Beatrice Clarke

Years of service awards
10 years

Marlene Bird

I want to thank you for working at the SERH1 for ten years. Your sense of humor, easy going personality the children love about you. You worked as a childcare worker for ten years, you recently got House Mother position. All the co-workers appreciate your dedication and passion for cooking, enjoying every meal you cook for all the children and staff. Congratulations Marlene for your ten year recognition.

Thank you once again for serving PBCFSI all these years. Supervisor, Beatrice Clarke

Years of service awards
15 years

Beatrice Clarke

Beatrice started off working as a Case Management Worker in April 2011 and worked her way up to Supervisor for Southend Receiving Home #1. I have had the privilege of working with Beatrice for the past 5 years in our resource team. As a Supervisor, Beatrice manages the home efficiently and ensures the safety and the well-being of the children in the home. She is an excellent Supervisor who enjoys working with the families we serve.

Happy 15th year work Anniversary Beatrice. We look forward to working with you for many more years. Resource Manager, Linda Eninew

Curtis Michel

It is my pleasure to introduce Curtis John Michel. It is an honour to acknowledge and present 15 years of service to Curtis. Curtis started off as a Casual Group Home Worker and later moved on to Full time Group Home Worker at the Pelican Narrows Group Home.

Curtis is a great person to work with, so funny even when he doesn't have to try be funny. He will say something and makes us laugh. While we are laughing. He will say, "I'm not trying to be funny. It's not funny or is it funny?" Which makes things more hilarious. He's an awesome team player and gets a long with everyone in the home.

Congratulations Curtis John on your 15 years of Service

Years of service awards
15 years

Larissa Clarke

I want to express my personal appreciation for your 15 years of dedicated service. Larissa, your loyalty and commitment have made a lasting contribution to Peter Ballantyne Child & Family Services (PBCFSI). Dedicated Human Resources leaders like you are the foundation of a successful organization.

You bring excellent communication and interpersonal skills to your role, serving as an important link between agency leadership and employees. Your ability to communicate clearly, listen actively, and build trust helps employees feel supported and confident in their positions. In addition to managing all aspects of Human Resources, you oversee payroll for more than 500 employees. Your work is invaluable to PBCFSI, and your easygoing personality does not go unnoticed. Your contributions also help support our agency's longstanding CARF accreditation.

I'm very grateful to have you on our senior team. Congratulations on this milestone, and keep up the awesome work! Executive Director, Vera Sayese

Linda Clarke

Throughout your 15 years with Peter Ballantyne Child & Family Services, your leadership and dedication have made a meaningful difference in our Child Protection Department. Your supervision, care for the children in our care, and commitment to strong case management have contributed to the success of our agency, including our consistently excellent case management audit results. Your contributions also help support our agency's longstanding CARF accreditation. We take pride in your accomplishments and your commitment to excellence. It is inspiring to have you on our PBCFSI team.

Congratulations on your 15 years of service, Linda. Keep up the awesome work! Executive Director, Vera Sayese

Years of service awards
15 years

Mary-Lou Harkiss

Mary Lou - friendly, dependable, dedicated and hard working are just a few of the words I'd use to describe her. She's been a pleasure to work alongside, often stepping up to take the lead when necessary. Mary Lou has grown tremendously with the changes we have seen in technology and within our Agency. Adapting and adjusting to the different roles she plays in her office, and in the community she serves; has become her superpower!

She's definitely a team player, thank you for your service to Denare Beach, Sturgeon Landing and Sandy Bay Mary Lou. I'm so very proud of this milestone for you, keep up the great work! Cheers to you! Supervisor, Tara Bridges

Years of service awards
20 years

Deborah Ballantyne

It is my pleasure to introduce Debbie. It is an honour to acknowledge and present 20 years of Service to Debbie. Debbie was one of the first employees who started work at the Group Home. She started off as a Casual Group Home Worker, moved on to Full time Group Home Worker, now a cook Steward at the Pelican Narrows Group Home.

Debbie takes pride the work she does. She enjoys working with the staff and kids. When Debbie isn't at work, the kitchen is so quiet. It's very noticeable when she's not in our home. Debbie is a great person to work with, so loving, caring, dependable, and everyone enjoys being around Debs.

Congratulations Debbie on your 20 years of service, Lots of Love from your Supervisor, Laren Halcrow and all your coworkers.

Years of service awards
25 years

Charmaine Clarke

Congratulations on 25 years with the Agency! I've had the pleasure of supervising you for the past eight years and I really appreciate the dedication and pride you bring to your work.

You're hardworking, organized, and someone the team can count on. You work well independently and are also a valued part of the case management team. Your ability to find any document at a moment's notice is very impressive – it's like having your own library.

Thank you for everything you do. I'm grateful to work with you and I want to congratulate you for this well-deserved milestone. Prevention Manager, Anna Kkailther

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