FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAM MANDATE

We work with families who are involved with MCFD, at-risk of MCFD involvement, or who are seeking support and information on parenting. Our workers are dedicated to supporting families in their health and well-being in a holistic and respectful manner.



Carrier Sekani Family Services Mission Statement

With the guidance of our Elders, CSFS is committed to the healing and empowerment of Aboriginal families by taking direct responsibility for health, social and legal services for First Nation people residing in Carrier and Sekani territory.

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CARRIER SEKANI **FAMILY SERVICES**

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FAMILY EMPOWERMENT GROUPS



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CARRIER SEKANI **FAMILY SERVICES**



FAMILY EMPOWERMENT PROGRAM WORKERS

Family Empowerment Workers (FEW) will arrange and supervise visits between children, parents, families and extended families. FEW will provide transportation to children only. FEW provide information, advocacy and referrals when appropriate. FEW will provide practical information, support and encouragement to all participants. FEW can only change visit times and plans with a supervisors prior approval. FEW are not MCFD Child **Protection Workers or Employment** Assistance (MSDH) Workers. FEW work from a strengths based perspective and encourage families to interact in a positive manner.



THE GOALS OF FAMILY EMPOWERMENT ARE TO:

- Ensure safe and secure parent/family and child interactions
- Monitor and record visitation activities
- Deliver non-intrusive, limited skill development services with a focus on safety, communication, social needs, emotional needs and nutritional needs as related to the child/youth's development
- Facilitate visitation through transportation support

Your Family Empowerment Worker is:

You can reach him/her at:

Phone:

Please contact the Family Empowerment Program for more information.

All services are provided free of charge.

WHAT HAPPENS AT A FAMILY EMPOWERMENT VISIT?

- If necessary, children are provided with transportation; this is arranged in advance of the visit
- Everyone who can attend the visit meets at the designated meeting spot at a previously arranged time; please phone your FEW if you are unable to attend a planned visits. Visits will be cancelled if participants are not at the visit after 15 minutes.
- If there are instructions for the visits, these instructions are followed by all participants and the FEW ensures the visits goes as planned
- Children and their families spend quality time together in a safe environment
- The FEW takes notes and provides them to necessary parties such as a social worker; these notes are filed within a client file

