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Crafting Meaningful Acknowledgements to Country: Fostering Respect for Aboriginal People

Workshop Objective

The objective of this workshop is to provide non-Aboriginal people with the knowledge and skills necessary to compose authentic and respectful Acknowledgements to Country. Participants will learn about the significance of Acknowledgement to Country, gain insight into Aboriginal culture and traditions, and develop the ability to create meaningful and inclusive acknowledgements.

Workshop Outline

Introduction (30 minutes)

- Welcome and icebreaker activity to create a comfortable and inclusive atmosphere.
- Setting the workshop objectives and introducing the importance of Acknowledgement to Country.
- Understanding Acknowledgement to Country

Explanation of the historical and cultural significance of Acknowledgement to Country.

- Sharing stories and personal experiences to highlight the importance of respect and recognition.
- Discussion on the purpose and benefits of Acknowledgement to Country.
- Cultural Context
- Exploring the connection between land, spirituality, and identity in Aboriginal cultures.
- Introduction to key concepts such as Country, Dreaming, and ancestral ties to the land.
- Composing a Suitable Acknowledgement (60 minutes)

Overview of the elements of a respectful Acknowledgement to Country and small group activities.

- Practical exercises and group discussions on how to research and gather relevant information about the local Aboriginal community.
- Step-by-step guidance on composing an authentic Acknowledgement, considering language, tone, and cultural sensitivity.

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Overview of the elements of a respectful Acknowledgement to Country and small group activities cont.

- Guidance on adapting Acknowledgements to different contexts, such as formal events, public gatherings, or personal settings.
- Open discussion on how participants can incorporate Acknowledgement to Country into their personal and professional lives. (30 Minutes)

Conclusion and Next Steps (30 minutes)

- Recap of key takeaways and highlights from the workshop.
- Distribution of resource materials, including templates and guidelines for crafting Acknowledgements.
- Suggestions for further learning, recommended readings, websites, or community organizations to engage with.
- Encouragement for participants to continue practicing and refining their Acknowledgements to Country.

Total Duration of Workshop

Short workshop (approximately 2.5 hours)

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