



*"...all available sanctions
other than imprisonment that
are reasonable in the
circumstances should be
considered for all offenders,
with particular attention to
the circumstances of
aboriginal offenders"*

-Section 7.18(e), Criminal Code of
Canada



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**Monday to Friday
8:30AM - 4:00PM**

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COMMUNITY JUSTICE PROGRAM



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THE PROCESS

After completing a diversion application and obtaining approval, the participant is diverted into the Program. Participants then meet with the ICJP's Community Council.

These Circles involve working with Community Council members to address one's offence, and the underlying or 'root' issues.

*Community Council members are volunteers who have been vetted and trained to listen to participants, and guide them in developing a Healing Plan for themselves.

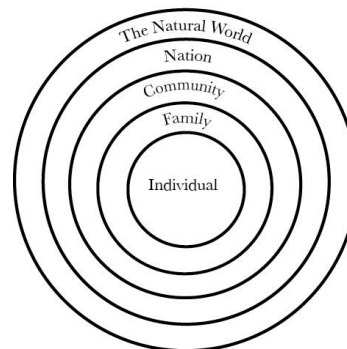
HEALING PLAN

The Healing Plan is an agreement between the participant and the ICJP, representing their diversion from the courts to complete tasks that address the wrong(s) committed.

Tasks may include:

- ceremonies
- healing work with a medicine person
- self-directed learning projects,
- presentations
- counseling
- community service hours
- letters of apology
- restitution to the victim

Completion of one's Healing Plan may result in charges being stayed or withdrawn



ELIGIBILITY

Referrals to the ICJP are made by the programs such as Indigenous Courtworkers and the ICJP Coordinator. Applications for diversion must be approved by the Crown Attorney's Office or Police services.

Do you identify as Indigenous (Status, Non-Status, Métis or Inuit)?

Have you been charged with a first time and/or minor criminal offence in Kenora?

Are you willing to take responsibility for your actions?

Are you willing to voluntarily participate in the Program?

SERVICE

Culturally-based pre and post charge diversion for Indigenous adults, utilizing a community driven wellness model that aims to restore balance to participant's lives.