



## Schedule and Agenda for Dialogue Circle (virtual)

Duration: 90min

1) **Opening Prayer & Welcome** - 5 min

2) **Introduction** – 15 min

- Session's objective.
- Background on BC First Nations Justice Strategy and NIJS
- Discussion of engagement to date (Values, principles, and priorities for NIJS).
- 2 Discussion questions to be displayed and clarified if necessary.

3) **Discussion** – 50 min

Discussion Question Examples – Changing the Existing System:

What does “justice” mean to you and your community?

What do you see as the immediate justice issues within your community?

How can the justice system be more responsive to the needs of your community?

What changes to the justice system do you feel should be prioritized in the NIJS?

What steps can be taken to reduce the overrepresentation of First Nations people in the Criminal Justice System?

In what ways do you think the justice system can be more responsive to and support the healing and rehabilitation to First Nations people in the criminal justice system?

Discussion Question Examples – Indigenous legal Order Resurgence:

Does your community currently host any community-based justice programming?

Does your community have Indigenous laws or principles that if enacted, could achieve the changes your community needs?

What resources and support do you think you would need to achieve the changes you identified as priorities within your community?

How can the justice system better recognize Indigenous legal orders, dispute resolution practices, and restorative justice principles?

What role should First Nations communities play in decision-making and governance related to justice matters that affect them directly?

Does your community have specific laws or strategies for addressing:

1. Violence against women and girls; and/or
2. Being more responsive to the unique needs of First Nations children and youth?

4) **Wrap up** – 10 min

A summary of what was heard and a final chance for participation & run through the survey and how it works.

5) **Closing remarks and Closing Prayer** – 10 min