



CWICE NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Global Horizons in Child Welfare
and Immigration: Bridging Borders
and Building Futures

Join us for a cross-sector knowledge exchange and build partnerships to enhance services for children, youth, and families.

Date: June 12, 2024, 8:30 am – 5 pm
Location: Pearson Convention Centre
2638 Steeles Ave E, Brampton, ON
Cost: \$175 per person (includes lunch)

Topics include: Unaccompanied and separated minors, supporting resettled refugees, international students, reunification and placements across borders, research and trends.



KEYNOTE SPEAKER:
DEBBIE DOUGLAS

*Executive Director, Ontario Council of
Agencies Serving Immigrants
2023 Order of Canada inductee*

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CONFERENCE AGENDA

- 8 am** Conference Registrations Open
- 9 am** Land Acknowledgement and Indigenous Welcoming Remarks
- 9:15 am** Remarks – Hon. Michael Parsa, Minister of Children, Community and Social Services
- 9:20 am** Opening Remarks – Mary Beth Moellenkamp, CEO, Peel CAS
- 9:30 am** Lived Experience Panel on:
Critical Issues Facing Refugee and Immigrant Children
- 10:30 am** Break
- 10:45 am** IRCC Presentation on Immigration data and National Public Opinion
- 11:15 am** Keynote speaker – Debbie Douglas, Executive Director, OCASI
- 12 pm** Lunch
- 1:30–2:45 pm** **Workshops – National Focus:**
- Option 1** Supporting UASC: A cross-province perspective (Ontario & Quebec)
 - Option 2** National Advocacy: A Coalition Journey
 - Option 3** Innovative Programs and Emerging Research
 - Option 4** Research about Role and Training for Child Welfare Professionals (Ontario & British Columbia)
- 2:45–3 pm** Break
- 3–4:15 pm** **Workshops – International Issues**
- Option 1** Relocation, Long-Distance Parenting, Parental Abduction and Hague
 - Option 2** Collaboration Pre- and Post-Arrivals: Government Assisted Refugees
 - Option 3** International Trends in Social Services
 - Option 4** Repatriations and Reunifications
- 4:15–4:30 pm** Closing Remarks – Hon. Mobina Jaffer, Senator for British Columbia
- 4:20–4:40 pm** Closing Remarks – Solomon Owoo, CEO, OACAS
- 5 pm** Conference ends