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### **Support for Inuit Students**

The Inuit Child First Initiative ensures Inuit children have access to the essential government funded health, social and educational products, services and supports they need, when they need them.

- ISC Website explaining services available:

<https://www.canada.ca/en/indigenous-services-canada/services/first-nations-inuit-health/supporting-inuit-children.html>

- Poster promoting the program:

<https://www.canada.ca/content/dam/isc-sac/documents/services/fnih/supporting-inuit-children/child-first-initiative-posters-eng.pdf>

### **HSBC Rugby 7s - Indigenous Youth Rugby Workshop - March 6/7**

HSBC is holding their annual “We Scrum as One” Indigenous Youth Rugby Workshop, March 6-7, 2020 in Vancouver. Travel and accommodation provided for selected participants.

HSBC Bank Canada and the Indigenous Canadian Employee Resource Group (ICERg) are proud to host Indigenous rugby athletes and youth between the ages of 10-17 for our two-day ‘We Scrum as One’ event. Timed with the HSBC Canada Sevens tournament, ICERg is looking to bring together Indigenous youth with professional athletes for a weekend of Rugby fun and community engagement. Travel and accommodations will be provided.

Registration deadline is approaching – February 21. Please see the [poster](#), [waiver and release](#) and [release](#). Any questions, please contact Michael Thomsen at [icerg@hsbc.ca](mailto:icerg@hsbc.ca) directly.

## **FREE Coaching Workshops for Indigenous Students**

There are three upcoming coaching clinics that are open to Indigenous youth ages 15 and up. These courses are normally hundreds of dollars, but ISPARC is offering them FREE to anyone of Indigenous descent (or anyone who works with the Indigenous community). They would love to see more youth at these events, so please promote them amongst your students!

1. "[Indigenous Communities: Active for Life](#)" in Chilliwack on **Sunday, March 8th**
2. "[Wrestling Competition Introduction: Part A](#)" in Pitt Meadows on **Saturday, March 14th**
3. "[CanoeKIDS Instructor Training](#)" in Burnaby on **Saturday, June 13th**

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