## Living through Grieving: A Native Perspective of Cutting

Thursday, November 16, 2017 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. UND American Indian Center 315 Princeton Street Grand Forks, ND



Self-injury has become a common practice among youth, especially Native American youth. This training presents a uniquely Native American perspective of the practice of 'cutting' that may empower helping professionals to address the issue in a culturally sensitive and competent manner. The session describes a historical basis for the practice, specifically from a Lakota/Dakota perspective, and will provide information on using this knowledge to help Native youth live through personal trauma and grief.

Upon completion of this session, participants will:

- Gain knowledge of traditional Native grieving and healing practices
- Apply this knowledge to contemporary interventions
- Be able to apply the learned concepts to help Native American youth

The workshop presenter is Cheryl Ann Kary (*Hunkuotawin*), enrolled member of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and Executive Director of the Sacred Pipe Resource Center (SPRC), a non-profit organization serving the American Indian population in Bismarck-Mandan. She received her Bachelor of Science degree in Communications from the University of Mary, as well as Master's Degrees in Management and in Business Administration. She holds a Ph.D. in Communication & Public Discourse from the University of North Dakota. Kary has previously served as the Curriculum Development Specialist at the Native





American Training Institute, the Research Director at United Tribes Technical College, the Executive Director for the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and a Grants Management Specialist at the N.D. Department of Health. The session will be co-facilitated by Marilyn Kary, enrolled Tribal member, elder and Licensed Social Worker.

Registration Fee: \$50.00

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