Reconciliation and Healing Trauma
In Indigenous Peoples Workshop

This exciting 2 day workshop will provide you with an understanding of the how Indigenous, First Nation, Métis and Inuit Peoples have been impacted by colonization, and also provide a Trauma Communication Model that community workers can use with community members who are in the process of healing unresolved trauma.

“(To register, please visit the website www.restoringbalanceconsulting.com).

Gerald Kiesman’s ancestral background is Haida and German. In 1997, A part of his healing, Gerald started to research a broader view of how the Indigenous, First Nations, Métis and Inuit peoples have been impacted by colonization. Upon his research, he recognized that information in books that was written about the relationship between the British, French, Spanish and Canada with the Indigenous peoples of Turtle Island, did not fully identify the laws that were imposed by Canada on the Indigenous, First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples to gain control of their land and resources, did not identify the traumas inflicted on Indigenous children in the Indian residential school, day school, Indian hospitals and child welfare 60’s scoop, did not identify the many inquiries and reports, such as the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls Inquiry, Truth and Reconciliation Report, Royal Commission on Aboriginal People Report and various apologies, did not identify treaties signed along with land claim settlements, disputes and court cases. Gerald has completed “Zero Sum Game-Economy·Law·Betrayal·Conflict·Reconciliation” an understanding about the relationship between the European explorers, first settlers, Canada and the Indigenous, First Nations, Inuit and Métis Peoples.

Gerald is well known and respected for his work with community workers and members throughout Canada. He has facilitated over 350 workshops, training community workers and providing health and wellness workshops. Gerald has facilitated at numerous conferences and seminars. With 16 years of research on Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and western and traditional healing, Gerald has developed and published a “Trauma Healing Guide” with Tellwell Publishing, that provides useful and practical material and has been proven to be an essential resource in healing trauma. A Trauma Communication Model is Included that provides community workers with the necessary tools to work with trauma survivors.

Workshop participants will receive a copy of the books- “Zero Sum Game and Trauma Healing Guide”. Books can also be purchased online at: www.restoringbalanceconsulting.com

Quotes for the book “Zero Sum Game” (Quotes were received in 2009)

Phil Fontaine, Former National Chief of Assembly of First Nations
“Zero Sum Game provides an interpretation of Canadian history from an Indigenous point of view. Zero Sum Game provides a direction in understanding the relationship between the Indigenous peoples and first settlers. Educating society from the Indigenous point of view is paramount in understanding the history of Canada. Truly, a unique book.”

Grand Chief Ed John, Chief of T’l’azt’en First Nation, Elected Leader on the First Nations Summit Political Executive, a former member of the United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
“Indigenous rights have gained important recognition over the last 40 years through the tireless efforts of Indigenous peoples and their supporters. Gerald Kiesman’s book, building on his own healing journey, adds an important dimension to a better understanding of this development”.
