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Women's Forum to be held in Whitehorse this September

WHITEHORSE—The Yukon Advisory Council on Women's Issues (YACWI) and the Women's Directorate will be holding their annual Women's Forum on September 18 and 19 in Whitehorse. This year's forum will focus on women and justice.

"The forum will provide an opportunity for participants to build relationships with legal service providers as well as strengthen networks among women throughout the territory," Minister responsible for the Women's Directorate Elaine Taylor said.

The forum will feature panel discussions that will address topics including justice and leadership in communities, and access to justice services and legal options. The goal is to stimulate group conversations and offer direct access to service providers who will share information about processes within the legal system, particularly in cases involving family law and sexualized violence.

"We have many knowledgeable and passionate speakers for this year's forum who will provide valuable insights into the type of services that women can access when they are involved with the legal system," YACWI chair Kim Solonick said. "We have had such great discussions in previous years; I am really looking forward to the collective input from both our speakers and the group."

"I am very pleased to be a part of this year's forum," Minister of Justice Brad Cathers said. "Our work with the Women's Directorate and the Yukon Advisory Council on Women's Issues through the recent creation of the Women's Legal Advocate position was one of several ways we work together. I look forward to continuing to grow these relationships."

This year's forum will be held at the Kwanlin Dün Cultural Centre and is open to all Yukon women. Lunch and refreshments will be provided, and funding is available for travel for community participants. The registration deadline is Thursday, September 10.

Learn more: Women's Forum registration

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