

Transformative Action

FAQ

Ticketing and Registration

Can I attend even if I don't work in the field of sexual and gender-based violence?

Yes! Although there will be some breakout sessions geared for clinicians/service providers, there will be concurrent sessions taking place with a broader lens/that are applicable to people of all experiences, identities, and stages of learning. The focus and main audience for this is front-line service providers in the field of sexual and gender-based violence, but many others will benefit from it. This will be beneficial for anyone who works with or may work with survivors of GBV or who are frontline workers working with diverse populations (for a few examples: nurses, professors, guidance counsellors, camp counsellors, students, non-profit workers, etc). This may also be beneficial to racialized community members as there is dedicated time and space on both days for BIPOC survivors and service providers to gather, caucus, and build community. There is a session specifically for Black survivors and advocates on Day 2 being led by folks from Truth and Transformation at WomenatthecentrE.

Can I attend if I am not affiliated with any specific organization?

Yes, there is no requirement to attend as an employee/affiliate of any organization or institution.

I don't know which tier to select on the sliding scale, which should I choose?

We recognize every individual's circumstances are different and that you may fall into numerous categories on the sliding scale. We encourage you to select whichever tier feels best for you, being mindful of your financial needs and/or privileges. If you are really stuck between two tiers, there is an optional "donation" so you can pay somewhere in the middle.

Funds received through ticket sales will be covering speaker costs, catering, venue rental, and to subsidize lower tiered tickets. PEIRSAC will not profit from this.

When does registration close?

Registration will close on April 9th at 4pm and registration for concurrent sessions will open on April 10th, you will receive an email on April 10th to register for your sessions. The discounted rate for the hotel also ends on March 14th so it is best to register early.

Can I register for a single day of the conference?

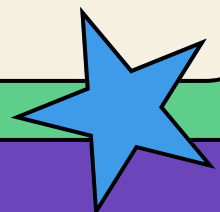
Unfortunately, we are unable to offer single-day tickets as participants are expected to attend the full two days.

How do I update or change registration details after purchasing a ticket (eg name, dietary restrictions, etc)?

To update any of your personal information, please contact us at events@peirsac.org.

How do I cancel my registration?

Please email us at events@peirsac.org to cancel or transfer your ticket. Please also see our conference policies for details on cancellation deadlines.



Event and Venue Information

Where is the conference taking place?

Transformative Action is taking place at Credit Union Place, located at 511 Notre Dame St, Summerside, PEI/Epekwitk. Our event will take place on the main floor, in their Convention Centre. Lunch will be served in The Oval, which overlooks the Summerside Raceway track and is an approximate 5-minute indoor walk from the Conference Centre.

Is parking available?

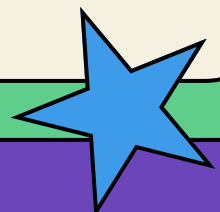
Yes, there is free parking available in the parking lot of the Credit Union Place.

What accommodations are available?

The venue is attached to the Microtel Inn and Suites by Wyndham Summerside. We have a booking link that offers folks a discount for the training dates. [Please click this link](#) to receive a discount on your booking. Hotel rooms are limited, and the discount only applies until March 14th, so book early!

Who is providing the training/sessions?

There will be a mixture of locally led sessions, such as “Combatting Islamophobia: Building Allyship” led by BIPOC USHR, a session on supporting Indigenous clients through song and medicine by Rainier Ward, with some sessions provided by folks coming from outside of the Maritimes, such as David Archer’s session “Advanced Strategies in Anti-Racist Psychotherapy: The Rythm and Processing (RAP) Technique”. The schedule was arranged so that in every breakout time slot, there is a session applicable to a wide audience, a session geared toward specific people such as clinicians, in addition to a gathering space for racialized service providers and survivors. The full schedule will be released soon.



Who organized this event?

Last year, PEIRSAC received an Anti-Racism grant from the Anti-Racism Table with the Government of Prince Edward Island to have an anti-racism training for front line workers in the GBV field. In June 2024, an invite went out to some local organizations and a gathering took place with 1-2 staff from PEIRSAC, BIPOC USHR, Black Cultural Society, Native Council of PEI, and PEI Trans Network to talk about collaboration. This ad-hoc committee continued to meet to guide the structure and content of the training and recommended or approved all facilitators/workshops being presented. Some guidance was also provided by staff at Truth and Transformation with WomenatthecentrE. Additional funding was secured from the Canadian Race Relations Foundation with funding provided by the Government of Canada. PEIRSAC is grateful for all the support and guidance these organizations have provided.

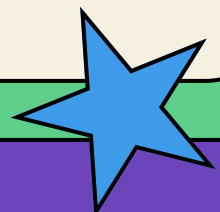
Accessibility Information

How do I request accommodation?

If you have specific accessibility needs, we encourage you to identify them in the registration form so we can do our best to meet them or to email us at events@peirsac.org if you have already registered. Some requests may only be available if we are made aware of them ahead of time, so it is important to note them on the registration form as soon as you can.

What will be provided and what should I bring with me?

Participants will receive a tote bag and a journal, both with a design created by a local Black, queer artist, in addition to a name badge. Coffee, tea, and water will be available throughout the day. You are welcome to bring whatever else you need to feel comfortable, focused, and engaged. Some examples of things you may want to take with you include: a water bottle, pen/pencil, a sweater, your favorite fidget, business cards, etc.



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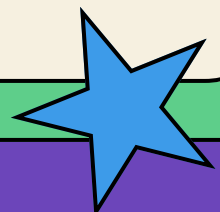
The main entrances to the venue are equipped with automatic doors, and there are no stairs to access the event space. Reaching the lunch venue requires an approximate 5-minute indoor walk, including stairs or elevator use. There will be fidgets available in all rooms. Red stickers will be available at registration for anyone who does not want their photo/video taken. We will have a quiet room available for the full duration of the event for anyone who needs or wants it. There will be both all-gender, single stall washrooms and multi-stall gendered washrooms available.

Some participants have already named they have scent-sensitivities, so while we cannot guarantee it will be a scent free space, we encourage folks to please refrain from wearing scented products such as perfume or scented deodorant to support everyone's ability to participate. We will also have masks and hand sanitizer available at the venue and encourage folks to take steps to keep themselves and those around them safe.

There will be a clearly identified team member at the event to support any on-site accessibility needs that arise throughout the days.

What should I expect at this event?

This will be an educational event with a serious, but overall positive tone. Many sessions may involve group discussions, questions, and activities, while some sessions may be more lecture style. You have the right to pass on any discussion or question, and there will be a designated quiet room if you need to step away. There will be 15–30-minute breaks in the morning and afternoon, and an hour for lunch. These times will not be structured, so there will be people mingling and socializing.



There will be a breakout session on Day 2 for independent journal reflection/reading, where participants are encouraged to reflect on their learnings over the past day and answer journal prompts to interrogate their own internal biases and (in)actions. A detailed schedule will be provided before the event so that you know what to expect.

My question wasn't answered through the FAQ, what should I do?

If you have any questions not answered by this FAQ, please contact us at events@peirsac.org and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

