

What is “Talking Together”?

- An Aboriginal dispute resolution process.
 - The process allows for the participants to engage safely in discussing plans for their children.
 - Facilitates Agreements for child protection matters.
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The Circle Process

1. The Circle is composed of family members, front line workers, agency representatives, community Elders and community representatives.
2. The Circle looks at who has been affected and how they have been affected by the problems the family is experiencing.
3. Secondly, the Circle asks the participants, “What can be done?” If an agreement is reached, it may be used as a basis for the Plan of Care and filed with the Court.

Why use “Talking Together”?

The program is culturally appropriate and allows for community Elders/Clergy to be present and to guide families through their difficult times.

Program Advantages

The program recognizes:

- Kin network
- Importance of cultural continuity in placements
- Providing culturally appropriate services with all child protection services dealing with Tikinagan Child & Family Services and Payukotayno Child & Family Services.

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