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## 26<sup>th</sup> Annual PLAR Conference

### “PLAR as a Catalyst for Change: Casting the Net Wide and Deep”

**May 26-29, 2015**

Travelodge, Belleville, ON

## ~ PROGRAM-AT-A-GLANCE ~

### TUESDAY MAY 26, 2015

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12:15 pm – 1:15 pm	<b>CONFERENCE REGISTRATION BEGINS</b> - Foyer - 2nd Floor
1:15 pm – 2:45 pm	<b>OPENING CEREMONIES</b> – Park Room
2:45 pm – 3:00 pm	REFRESHMENT BREAK
3:00 pm – 4:30 pm	~ <b>PLENARY SESSION</b> - Park Room ~ <b>“Prior Learning Assessment for Multi-National Health Care Professionals”</b> ~ <i>Malcolm Day</i> ~

### WEDNESDAY MAY 27, 2015

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8:15 am – 9:00 am	<b>REGISTRATION DESK - RE-OPENS</b> - Foyer - 2nd Floor
9:00 am – 10:15 am	<b>CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS BEGIN</b>
<b>Workshop 1</b>	Introduction to PLAR and Portfolio Development – <i>Sandy Novroski, Loyalist College and Elizabeth Nicholas, CHRP Trenton MFRC</i>
<b>Workshop 2</b>	PLAR Practitioner (Advisor and Assessor) Training - <i>Mark Gallupe and Rose Marie Reid, Loyalist College</i>
<b>Workshop 3</b>	Indigenous Approaches to PLAR and Portfolio Development - <i>Banakonda Kennedy Kish, FNTI; Heather Green, Anishinabek Educational Institute (AEI); and Janet Sinclair and Tania Smethurst, Vancouver Island University</i>
<b>Workshop 4</b>	Portfolio Development and Youth: Unearthing the Wisdom Within - <i>Shawn Doyle, Loyalist College</i>
<b>Workshop 5</b>	The International Indigenous Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) Collective - <i>Sharon Hobenshield, Vancouver Island University; Glen Brouwer, Sunrise Adult Learning Centres, Manitoba; Pedro Valenzuela, Tain Adkimm, Chile; and Paul Zakos, Chair, Steering Committee for the Collective</i>
10:15 am – 10:30 am	REFRESHMENT BREAK

10:30 am – 12:00 noon                   **CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS** *(continue)*  
**Workshop 1**   Introduction to PLAR and Portfolio Development  
**Workshop 2**   PLAR Practitioner (Advisor and Assessor) Training  
**Workshop 3**   Indigenous Approaches to PLAR and Portfolio Development  
**Workshop 4**   Portfolio Development and Youth: Unearthing the Wisdom Within  
**Workshop 5**   The International Indigenous Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)  
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12:00 noon - 1:30 pm                   **LUNCH** (Please make your own arrangements)

1:30 pm – 2:45 pm                   **CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS** *(continue)*  
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2:45 pm – 3:00 pm                   REFRESHMENT BREAK

3:00 pm - 4:30 pm                   **CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS** *(continue)*  
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7:15 pm – 8:30 pm                   ~ **PLENARY SESSION** - Park Room ~  
    **“PLAR, Quality Assurance and Accreditation in a Changing Post-Secondary  
    Environment”**  
    ~ John McMahon, Senior VP Academic and Student Success, Loyalist College ~

8:30 pm                   WINE & CHEESE RECEPTION - Sagonaska Room

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## **THURSDAY MAY 28, 2015**

8:00 am – 8:45 pm                   **REGISTRATION DESK RE-OPENS** - Foyer - 2nd Floor

8:45 am - 10:15 am                   **CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS** *(continue)*  
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**Workshop 5**   The International Indigenous Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)  
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10:15 am – 10:30 am                   REFRESHMENT BREAK

- 10:30 am - 11:45 am                   **CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS** *(continue)*
- Workshop 1**   Introduction to PLAR and Portfolio Development
  - Workshop 2**   PLAR Practitioner (Advisor and Assessor) Training
  - Workshop 3**   Indigenous Approaches to PLAR and Portfolio Development
  - Workshop 4**   Portfolio Development and Youth: Unearthing the Wisdom Within
  - Workshop 5**   The International Indigenous Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) Collective
- 11:45 am – 12:45 pm                   **LUNCH** – Park Room
- 12:45 pm – 1:15 pm                   ~ **PLENARY SESSION** – Park Room ~
- The Collective: Highlights from the Past Year (A Power Point Presentation)**  
~ *Glen Bower and Paul Zakos* ~
- 1:30 pm - 2:45 pm                   **CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS** *(continue)*
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  - Workshop 2**   PLAR Practitioner (Advisor and Assessor) Training
  - Workshop 3**   Indigenous Approaches to PLAR and Portfolio Development
  - Workshop 4**   Portfolio Development and Youth: Unearthing the Wisdom Within
  - Workshop 5**   The International Indigenous Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) Collective
- 2:45 pm – 3:00 pm                   REFRESHMENT BREAK
- 3:00 pm - 4:30 pm                   **CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS** *(continue)*
- Workshop 1**   Introduction to PLAR and Portfolio Development
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- 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm                   CASH BAR
- 7:00 pm – 8:15 pm                   **DINNER** – Park Room
- 8:15 pm                                   **ENTERTAINMENT**  
*Eric Baragar's "One Man Show"*

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## **FRIDAY MAY 29, 2015**

- 7:30 am - 8:45 am                   **CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST** - Park Room
- 8:45 am - 10:15 am                   ~ **PLENARY SESSION** – Park Room ~
- “Sharing Our Learning and Sustaining Our Practice – A Reflective Dialogue”**  
~ *Mark Gallupe, Carolyn Mann and Paul Zakos* ~
- 10:15 am – 10:30 am                   REFRESHMENT BREAK
- 10:30 am - 11:30 am                   **CEREMONIAL CLOSING** – Park Room