



IPAC/BC First Nations Public Service Secretariat Join Media Release

June 27, 2018 – The BC First Nations Public Service Secretariat (FNPSS) and the Institute of Public Administration of Canada (IPAC) have announced a renewed Memorandum of Understanding to formalize their partnership.

By sharing research, information, experience, expertise and skills, IPAC and the BC First Nations Public Service Secretariat have agreed to undertake joint programming, research, resource materials and publications as appropriate to foster and support excellence in public administration. Priorities include, but are not limited to:

- Leadership
- Policy Innovation
- Research (Case Studies)
- Ethics & Values
- Recruitment & Retention
- Institutional and Human Resource Capacity

“The BC First Nations Leadership Council commends the First Nations Public Service Secretariat and IPAC on their work together and renewed partnership,” said Regional Chief Terry Teegee, BC Assembly of First Nations (BC AFN). “Both IPAC and the FNPSS believe in the importance of strengthening public-sectors to meet the responsibilities of governing for the benefit of our communities.”

“IPAC is very pleased to strengthen our partnership with the BC First Nations Public Service Secretariat,” stated Robert Taylor, CEO of IPAC. “Thanks to IPAC’s regional working group in Vancouver and our national Indigenous and non-Indigenous partners, we are committed to advancing public service excellence with the BC First Nations Public Service Secretariat.”

“We are committed to fostering public service excellence in collaboration with IPAC,” said Robert Phillips of the First Nations Summit (the organization responsible for FNPSS). “By collaborating on public sector research, sharing best practices in public administration and exchanging ideas, the FNPSS and IPAC will increase awareness and understanding of Indigenous Peoples amongst all public servants and further Indigenous talent recruitment and retention.”

The BC First Nations Public Service Secretariat is an initiative of the First Nations Summit. Its purpose is to support First Nation communities and organizations striving for excellence in public service so that BC First Nations have the capacity for successful self-government and self-determination.

IPAC is a dynamic association of public servants, academics, and others who believe in the importance of public service. Founded in 1947, it is a membership-based, non-profit organization with 19 regional groups across Canada. IPAC creates effective knowledge networks, leads public administration research, creates dialogue on reconciliation by building new relationships and is a major player in exporting successful Canadian public-sector expertise around the world.

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