

The Wisconsin Department of Children & Families and the Coalition for Children, Youth & Families welcome you to



Families Like Mine : Relative Caregivers for Children Conference

Questions? Contact the Coalition at 414-475-1246
or at info@coalitionforcyf.org

AGENDA

8:00—8:45 AM

- Registration & Continental Breakfast: **PRE-FUNCTION HALLWAY**
- Vendor Room Open: **ONTARIO ROOM**

8:45—9:00 AM

- Department of Children & Families Welcome & Housekeeping
Announcements: **MAIN CONFERENCE ROOM**

9:00—9:30 AM

- Keynote Address—*Finding Our Way: Our Journey from Chaos & Pain to Recovery & Healing*, Laurie Crawford & Meghan Gehrke: **MAIN CONFERENCE ROOM**
 - This is the story of one family's experience coming to terms with the unwelcome reality of addiction, trauma, and grief; morphing from grandparents to parents and back again; advocating in the turbulent waters of the law and society; and loving up close and from a distance.

9:30—10:00 AM

- Ice Breaker: **MAIN CONFERENCE ROOM**

10:00—10:15 AM

- Break
- Vendor Room Open: **ONTARIO ROOM**

10:15—11:15 AM

- Presentation—*Making Legal Choices with Healing & Hope*, Susan Conwell, J.D., Executive Director, Kids Matter Inc.: **MAIN CONFERENCE ROOM**

11:20 AM—12:30 PM

- Breakout Sessions (Please Choose One)
 - *Children's Mental Health: Supporting & Nurturing Healing Relationships*, Kim Eithun & Sharyl Kato, the Rainbow Project, Inc.: **MAIN CONFERENCE ROOM**
 - *Understanding the Court Process in CHIPS & Minor Guardianship Cases: Rights, Roles, and Requirements*, Kristen Wetzel & Bridget Mauerman, Children's Improvement Program (CCIP): **MCKINLEY ROOM**
 - *The Complexities of Addiction: Implications for Foster, Relative, and Adoptive Families*, David B. Bohl, MA, CSAC, Beacon Confidential, LLC: **KODIAK/DENALI ROOM**
 - *7 Generations: A Look Back at American Indian Families*, Heather Halonie & Alebra Metoxen, MSW: **BIG HORN ROOM**

AGENDA CONTINUED

12:30—1:30 PM

- Lunch: **PRE-FUNCTION HALLWAY**
- Vendor Room Open from 1:00—1:30 PM: **ONTARIO ROOM**

1:30—2:45 PM

- Presentation—*Trauma & Behavior: Focusing on Connection Over Compliance*, Dr. Angela Marx, Place of Mind LLC: **MAIN CONFERENCE ROOM**

2:45—3:00 PM

- Break
- Vendor Room Open: **ONTARIO ROOM**

3:00—3:45 PM

- Discussion/Support Group Sessions (Please choose one)
 - Group 1: Making Time to Recharge: **MAIN CONFERENCE ROOM**
 - Group 2: Asking for Help: **MCKINLEY ROOM**
 - Group 3: Unexpectedly Parenting Again: **KODIAK/DENALI ROOM**
 - Group 4: Tribal Attendees: **BIG HORN ROOM**

3:45—4:00 PM

- Program Close: **MAIN CONFERENCE ROOM**

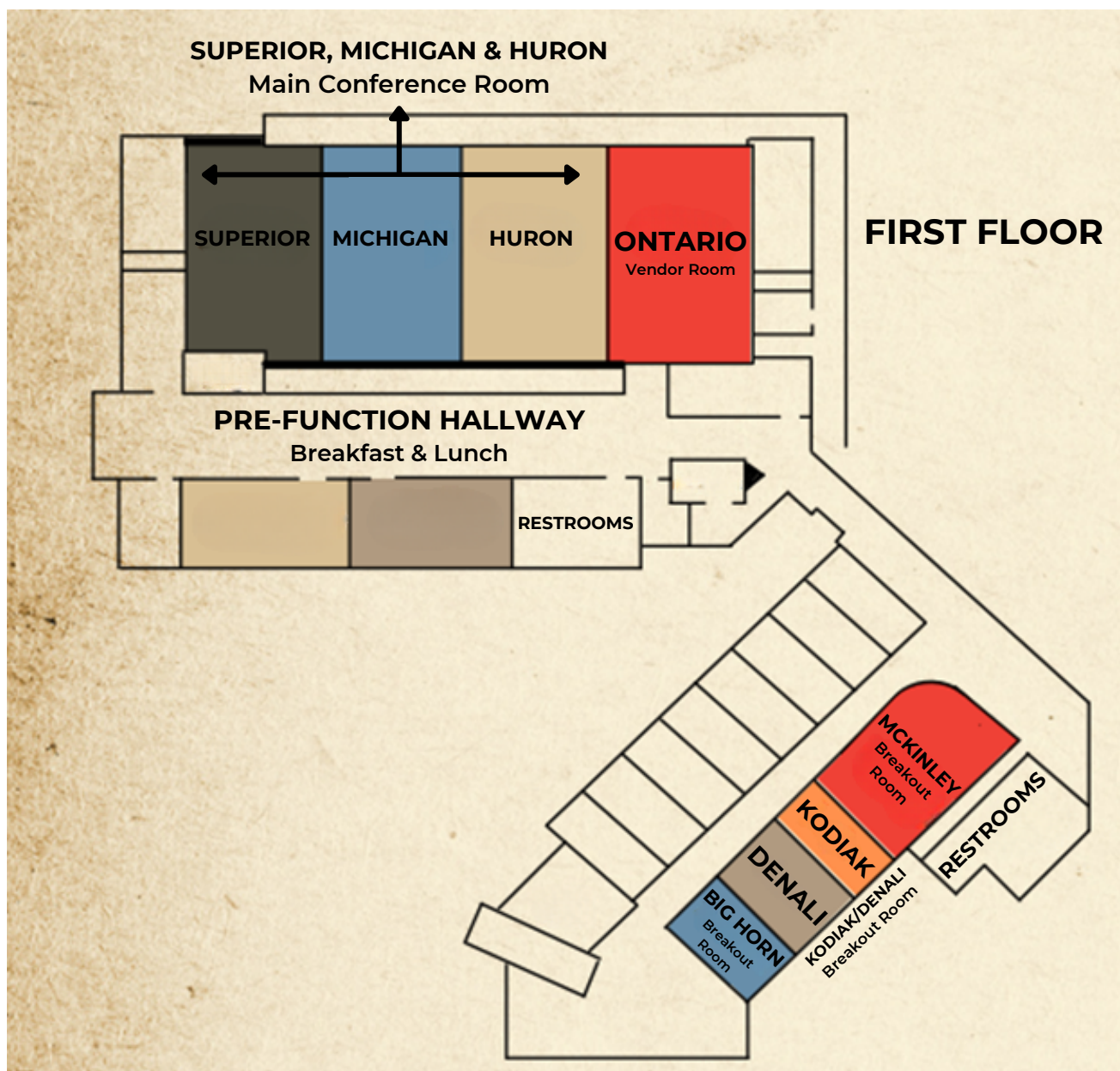
4:00—4:15 PM

- Vendor Room Open: **ONTARIO ROOM**

We want to make sure that you'll always have access to the resources included from the conference!

Just scan the QR code below to make sure that you have access to additional resources from this year's conference! You can also go to <https://wifostercareandadoption.org/training/families-like-mine-conference-2023/> to arrive at this page as well!





Also, you may notice a tiny brain in your bag. That's because...

We love brains! It's our gift to you. It can be really challenging sometimes when we are loving and caring for children who have experienced adversity and trauma. We hope this little brain will remind you that we can always look behind the behaviors to find what is going on in the brain. And that is when we can provide safety and regulation for the kids we love.