# Wills and Estates for people living in a First Nations community in Quebec

Guide for Workshop Facilitators



## ABOUT ÉDUCALOI

Éducaloi is a non-profit organization that helps people understand the law in Quebec. It does this using everyday language.

### About the Workshop

This workshop explains the rules that apply to wills and estates in First Nations communities in Quebec.

- Part One explains the importance of making a will and how to make one.
- 2 Part Two explains the first steps to take after a loved one dies.

#### **Target Audience**

This workshop was developed for First Nations communities in Quebec covered under the Indian Act. It explains the rules for wills and estates for people who are

- registered under the Indian Act, and
- living in a community ("reserve") when they die.

These rules also apply if the person is temporarily away from the community or must live outside the community, for example, to study or for health reasons.

#### Important!

The workshop does not apply to

people in communities where specific rules apply (for example, Inuit, Naskapi, Cree and Métis people), or

First Nations people living outside a community ("off reserve").



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## Workshop Materials

#### PowerPoint

The PowerPoint presentation will help participants follow along, but you can give the workshop without using the slides. It's simply a visual tool to accompany your presentation.

Whether or not you present the slides, we recommend that you read and print the detailed notes below the slides.

To view the notes in PowerPoint, click on View in the toolbar and then Notes Page.

To print the PowerPoint document with this additional information, click on File and select Print. Under Settings, select Notes Pages.



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In the electronic version of the PowerPoint presentation, the text below the slides may extend beyond the space provided (depending on your computer set up). If this is the case, try changing the font or font size.

### Pamphlet

We recommend that you have these Éducaloi pamphlets with you at the workshop:

Making a Will When You Live in a First Nations Community in Quebec

When a Loved One Dies in a First Nations Community in Quebec

You can hand them out to participants so they'll have the information covered during the workshop. Wait until the end of the workshop to distribute the pamphlets so you'll have the participants' full attention while you're speaking.

These pamphlets are available free of charge from Éducaloi. Visit Éducaloi's website and click on Order Éducaloi's Products or enter www.educaloi.qc.ca/en/order-educalois-products in your browser's address bar.



## Tips for Presenting the Workshop

We suggest inviting a band council representative to the workshop who can answer questions about services for members and the community's particular land rules.

The objective of the workshop is to promote constructive dialogue, so you can adapt it to your audience as needed. Let yourself be guided by your conversations with participants.

We provide discussion points that can help make your presentation more dynamic. By encouraging participants to reflect on what they already know, it will be easier for them to learn new concepts. The discussion points are suggestions only; you can be creative and adapt them.

It's not necessary to convey all the information in the notes under the PowerPoint slides. You can use your discretion based on the audience.

Lastly, the workshop provides several resources for participants. They can learn more from Éducaloi's online articles on First Nations wills and estates: www.educaloi.qc.ca/en/indigenous-wills-and-estates.

## Length

The workshop lasts about an hour. But you can take more time if participants ask questions or want to talk about some of the issues raised.







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