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PROFILE

I am a first-generation Immigrant from Indonesia. Ethnically pacific Islander, a proud female of the Bakumpai Tribe (Kalimantan). I serve as the executive member of several non-profit organizations with over 10 years of experience In the non-profit sector. My life-experiences equipped me to be a culturally sensitive, trauma-informed leader and a researcher In the Downtown Eastside Vancouver for People Who Use Drugs (PWUD) and Unhoused

EDUCATION

BSc In Health Sciences (honours)

UNIVERSITY OF THE PEOPLE
3.9/4.0 GPA
President's List
2020-2023

Assc. of Science (merit scholarships)

3.9/4.0 GPA
ALEXANDER COLLEGE
2018-2020

Dogwood Diploma, Honours Distinction

ALEXANDER ACADEMY
3.8/4.0 GPA
2016-2028

AWARDS/CERTIFICATE

- Certificate of Appreciation from the Consulate General of Indonesia in Vancouver (2017-2020)
- BNH Leadership award 2014
- UBC Donald A. Wehrung International Leader (promoted and nominated)
- Leadership award - Fresh Roots - 2018
- Eric Zhao Merit Scholarship Recipient (consecutive 2016-2022)
- CPR and AED Level C for Healthcare Workers
- Academic Achievement, 2017

FLUENT LANGUAGES

- English
- French
- Tok Pisin
- Indonesian

ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP

EXECUTIVE MEMBER

INFANT MATERNAL HEALTH CANADA | current
MIH Canada focuses on improving the health of communities globally, with an emphasis on maternal mortality, women's health and the environment.

COMMITTEE MEMBER

WeDefendChildren | current

DEFEND ("DEFEND") is a 100% volunteer-run, not-for-profit organization (Registered under the Canada Not-For-Profit Act) striving to defend children and other vulnerable people from predators (and other risks) on social media across Canada, the United States and around the world.

FOUNDER/ EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

THE J HEALTHCARE INITIATIVE current

Registered non-profit based In Canada, we conduct surveys and studies, connecting with peers and members of the indigenous communities to develop methods and suggesting models which can improve healthcare delivery to unhoused PWUD (People Who Use Drugs). We are exporting our knowledge to the United States and Indonesia.



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EXPERTISE

- Overdose prevention and harm reduction for PWUD (People who Use Drugs)
- Clinical tools for Undergroun/Street Medicine
- Trauma-informed leadership
- Strategic planning and non-profit organization branding
- Fundraising and Program Coordination
- Healthcare (multi-substance dependencies, opioid use disorder, alcohol use disorder)
- First-Aid for Children, Adult and Elders.
- Life-experiences with Poverty and Homelessness.
- Research methodologies

REFERENCES

Sarah Blyth

Executive Director at Overdose Prevention Society

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Prof. Wendy Comeau, PhD

Professor/Researcher

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Jason Kingston

Vice Chair at WeDefendChildren

✉ jasonkingston222@gmail.com

RESEARCH SOCIETIES

Canadian Society of Addiction Medicine (CSAM) - fellow/student

Street Medicine Institute - researcher

American Association of Addiction Psychiatry student fellow

VOLUNTEERING EXPERIENCES

Safe Injection Room and Inhalation Tent

Overdose Prevention Society

2022- sept. 2023

- Reverse overdoses
- Provide training of naloxone
- Apply basic life support/intubation etc when needed
- Respond to off-site overdoses
- Manage 12 safe Injection booths
- Upholding the healthcare hygiene standard of safe consumption site
- Distribute clean needles, sanitary wipes etc
- Conflict de-escalation
- Serve the lowest barrier safe consumption site In the DTES

Responder/Supervisor

National Overdose Response Service

June 2023- current

- Supervise substance users when they plan to use alone
- Maintain confidentiality
- Provide bilingual service (French and English) to users
- Provide a non-judgemental space for PWUD

Text Responder

Kids Help Phone

2023 - 2025

- Respond to pediatric populations with suicidal thoughts and behaviours
- Report child abuse
- Active listening to de-escalate children and teens in distress
- Use the appropriate tools to handle psychiatric emergencies that can are related to abuse, substance use and psychosis episode

RESEARCH PROJECTS

Harm Reduction Strategies to Mitigate the Opioid Crisis 2018-2020

Undergraduate Thesis

- Advisor: Sean Davidoff
- Completed and defended in 2020

Developing a Clinical Tool to Obtain Effective History for Unhoused PWUD from the DTES

Research Paper

- Advisor: Prof. David Frank, PhD - NYU
- First Author