

## **EXECUTIVE ADVISORS**

Kenn Richard and Dr. Raven Sinclair were secured as executive advisors to the Interim Board and will lead the consultation process. They will also seek advice and best practices from survivors and experts on Foundation structure and governance.

### **Kenn Richard**

Kenn Richard's family comes from the French and Métis settlements in the Red River Valley. Living in Toronto since 1978, he became the original founder of Native Child and Family Services of Toronto. As Executive Director he helped craft a truly alternative response to Child Welfare. Recently awarded the Meritorious Service Cross, Mr. Richard has a strong reputation for his advocacy and was one of the first to write critically about Indigenous children in the adoption system. Kenn served as an expert witness in the settlement process and contributes to many regional and national initiatives on Indigenous Children's issues.

### **Dr. Raven Sinclair**

Dr. Raven Sinclair is Nêhiyaw (Cree) from George Gordon First Nation, Treaty 4. As an adoptee of the Scoop, she was raised primarily in Ontario. She is a Professor of Social Work and Sixties Scoop researcher, author, filmmaker, and activist. She has published articles on the historical and legal aspects of the sixties scoop, she regularly provides expert court testimony in child welfare cases, and she is completing a five year federally funded research project examining policies that lead to the Sixties Scoop.

Her 2017 Scoop documentary "A Truth to be Told" (available: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B4utptWtp4I&t=3s>) is about the removal of children from Splatshin First Nation (BC). She is an Executive Producer on the Sixties Scoop themed feature film "Trouble in the Garden," starring Cara Gee and Fiona Reed. She is currently working on a second feature film that highlights race relations.

Raven is a federal court appointed expert advisor to the Sixties Scoop Healing Foundation working table, and a member of several national Indigenous health research working groups.