

Clinic Day

A **Clinic Day** provides Community members with an opportunity to access current Legal information and legal assistance, whether or not they have a matter before the courts.

A **Clinic Day** will have a Lawyer present in the community to answer any Legal Questions that people may have.

A **Clinic Day** can also be for Legal Presentations and/ or Workshops. The PLECC, Community Legal Worker and a Lawyer can visit the Community or School to present on various Legal Topics.

Working with Lawyers

Our Public Legal Education Program works closely with Lawyers and Legal Aid Program at NALSC

Other Programs at Nishnawbe Aski Legal Services Corporations:

- Legal Aid Ontario Program
- Bail Verification Program and Release & Reintegration Program
- Gladue Program
- Restorative Justice Program
- Victim Witness Program
- Talking Together Program

To Request PLE Services

1. Contact the Public Legal Education & Communications Officer.
2. Contact your Community Legal Worker.
3. Contact your local NALSC worker
4. Speak with your Chief and Council and ask them to request PLE services for your community.

PLE Contact Information:

Public Legal Education & Communications Officer

100- 1805 Arthur Street East
Thunder Bay, ON P7E 2R6
Work Cell: (807) 620- 9253
Main Line: (807) 622-1413
Toll Free: 1-800-465-5581

Timmins

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Timmins, ON P4N 2K3
Work Cell: (705) 262 3389
Phone: (705) 268 1105

Sioux Lookout

37 Front Street
Sioux Lookout, ON P8T 1A3
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PUBLIC LEGAL EDUCATION

Would you like to learn more about your Legal Rights & Responsibilities?

Do you want to know more about the Legal System, and other Legal Topics?

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Public Legal Education (PLE)

“Public Legal Education” is an activity that seeks to provide people with an opportunity to obtain information about the law and justice system. NAN Legal Services Programs & Services

PLE improves access to justice. It gives people the information needed to:

1. Help them understand the law;
2. Help them know how to deal with legal issues that affect their lives; and,
3. Help them know how to use the opportunities and the protections offered by the legal system.

Nishnawbe Aski Legal Service Corporation Public Legal Education

Our **PLE Program** serves the 49 First Nations of Nishnawbe Aski Nation.

The goal of the **Public Legal Education** program is to:

- Inform and educate Members of NAN about the law and Euro-Canadian justice system
- Inform and educate Members of NAN about rights and obligations are within this legal system.

PLE Program Objectives

- Familiarize community members of NAN with the Law & Justice system.
- Keep the community members of NAN informed of new developments & changes in law and policy.
- Engage in Preventive Law by delivering PLE Activities
- Provide Legal information in plain language and in a format that is easy-to-understand
- Ensure community members of NAN are aware of the Programs and Services offered by NALSC.

Delivery of PLE

Our PLE Program are designed to promote a better understanding of the law and legal system. PLE is delivered in a manner sensitive to, and tailored to the needs of NAN communities

The delivery of PLE takes many forms:

- Community visits
- Workshops & presentations
- Career Fairs
- Clinic Days
- Promotion & Booth displays
- Newsletters & Website

PLE Topics

- Band By-Laws
- Child Welfare
- Criminal Law
- Elder Law
- Employment Law
- Education Law
- Family Law
- Firearms Act
- Harvesting Rights
- Health Law
- Hunting and fishing rights
- Human Rights Law
- ID Clinic
- Indigenous and Treaty Rights
- Indigenous Law Making
- The Justice System
- Mental Health Law
- Wills & Estates
- Youth Criminal Justice Act

Other Legal topics and requests may be directed to the **Public Legal Educators**

