



AFOA British Columbia
2025 Indigenous Financial
Management Conference
December 2 - 4, 2025
“The Financial Impact of Crisis in
Community”

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Presentation Outline

Membership

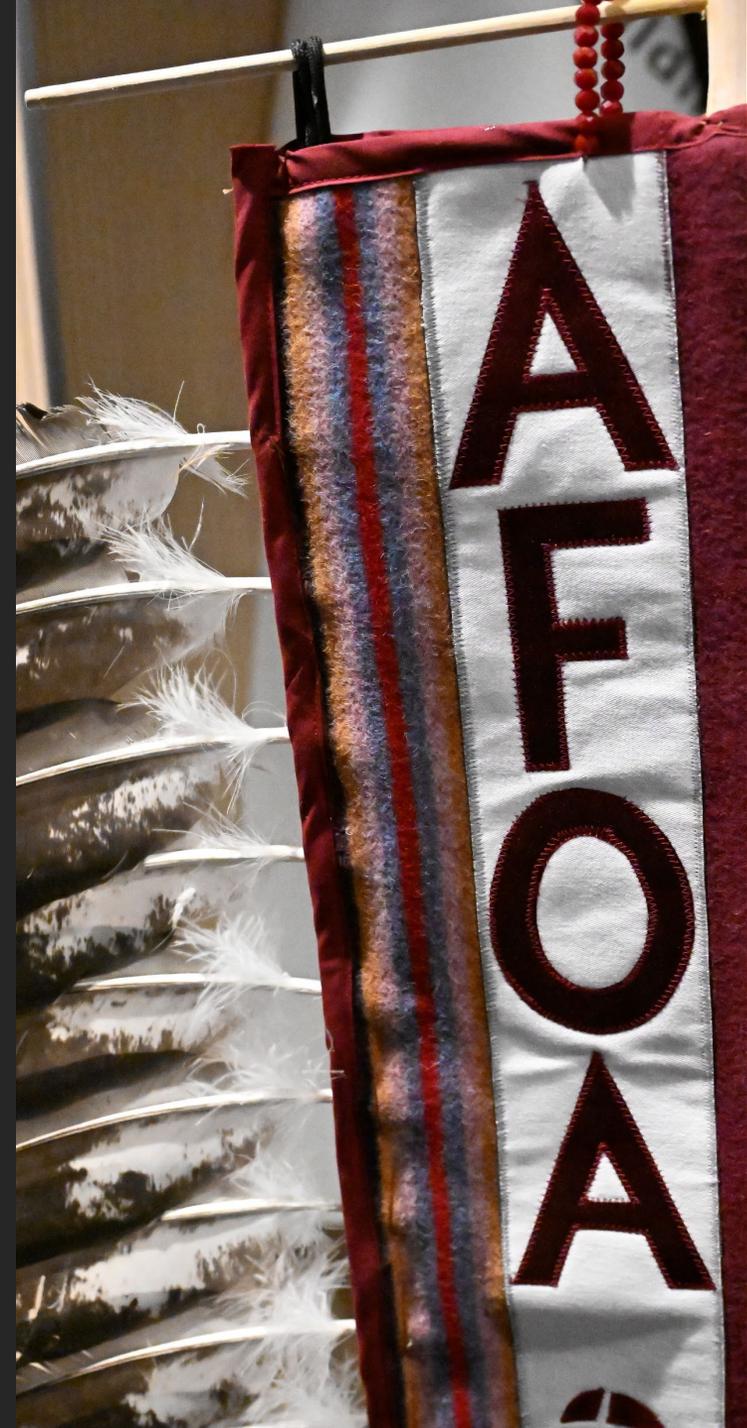
Professional Development – Certified Programs

New Initiatives

National Conference

Scholarships (Tuition Assistance)

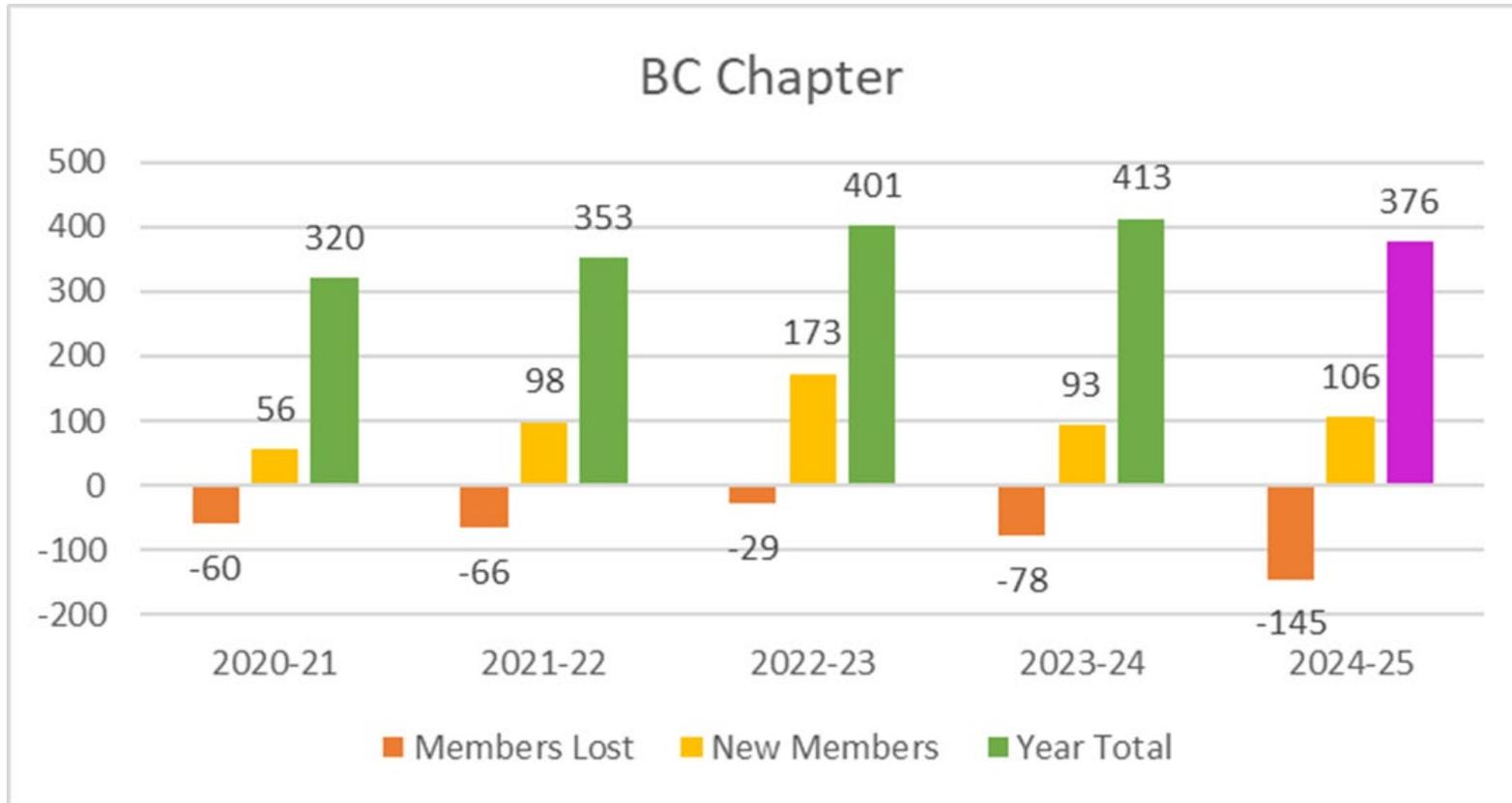
Questions & Comments



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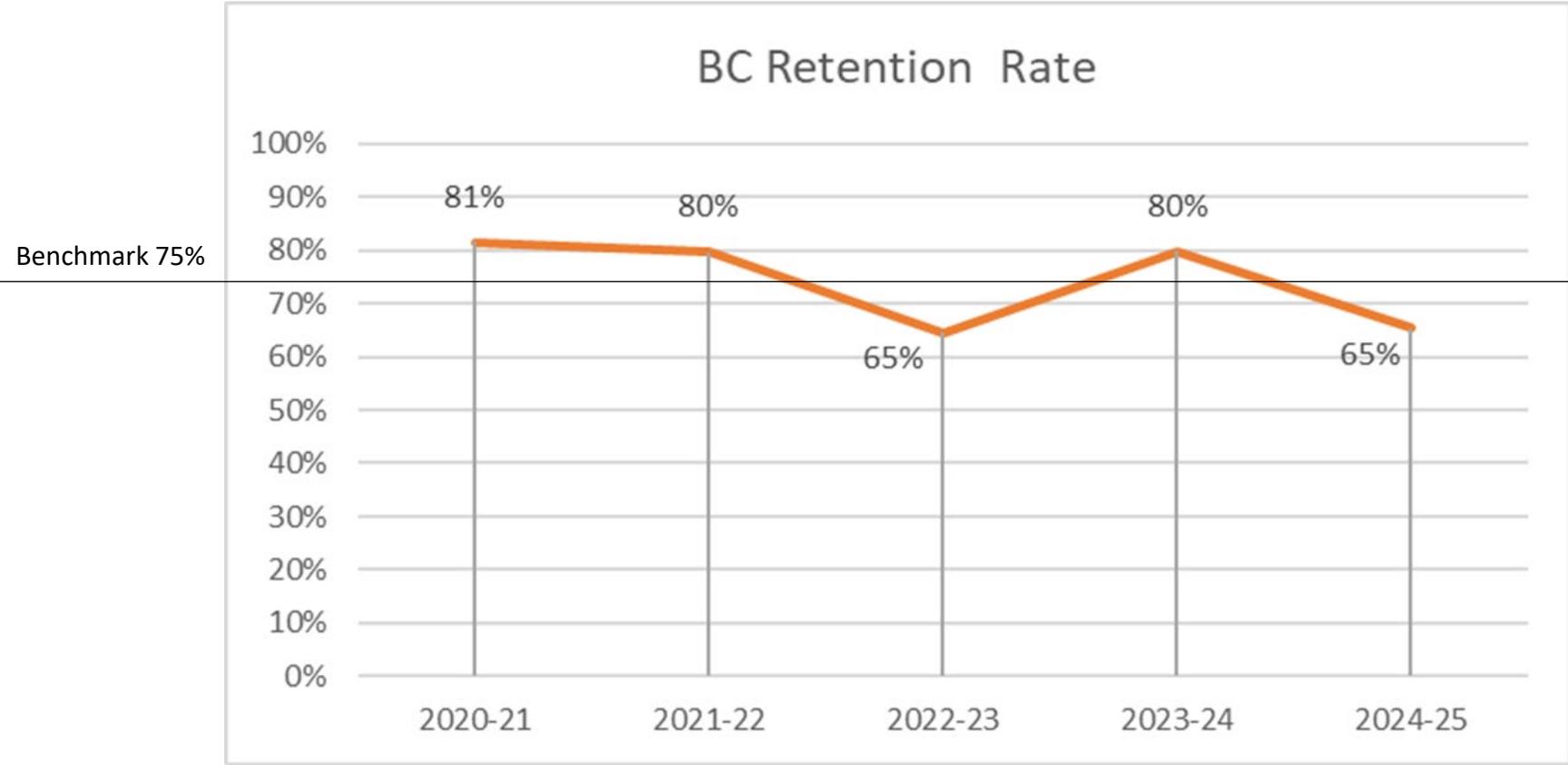
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Over 1,700 Certifications & Designations!!

Five Professional Designation Programs

- Certified Aboriginal Financial Manager (CAFM)
 - Winter Semester starts January 26, 2026
- Certified Aboriginal Professional Administrator (CAPA)
 - Starting April 1, 2026, in person session in: Vancouver, BC
- Certified Indigenous Leadership (CIL)
 - Starting April 7, 2026, Calgary, AB
- Certified Indigenous Human Resources Professional (CIRHP)
 - Starting March 10, 2026, in person session in: Saskatoon, SK
- Certified Emerging Indigenous Leaders (CEIL)
 - Starting April 9, 2026, in person sessions in: Ottawa, ON
- For more information: education@afoa.ca

How to Become a CAFM

For Financial Management Professionals in Indigenous environments

Three options to apply for your designation:

- 1. Education Program** (AFOA Canada and Post Secondary courses)
- 2. Experience Path** (5 years financial management experience in Indigenous environments and courses through AFOA Canada)
- 3. CPA Path** (CPA designation, five years experience in Indigenous environments and courses through AFOA Canada)



How to Become a CAPA

For Management Professionals in Indigenous environments

Three options to apply for your designation:

1. Independent Program (16 courses completed independently)
2. Cohorts (delivered in cohorts of 15-25 people across Canada)
3. Prior Learning Assessment & Recognition (PLAR) Program

How to Become a CIL

For elected leaders and board members as well as Senior Management



One option:

1. CIL Cohorts (National Cohorts or Community Based Options)





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Building a Community of Professionals

How to Become a CIHRP

For Human Resources Professionals in Indigenous environments

Three options to apply for your designation:

1. Independent Program (11 courses completed independently)
2. Cohorts (delivered in cohorts of 15-25 people across Canada)
3. Prior Learning Assessment & Recognition (PLAR) Program

How to Become a CEIL

For Indigenous youth (20-30 years) who are starting their careers in First Nations and Indigenous Communities

One option:

1. CEIL Cohorts (National Cohorts or Community Based Options)



New Initiatives



Youth Certification – Certified Emerging Indigenous Leaders Program

Micro Credential in First Nations Taxation

Lump Sum Payments – Financial Wellness support for FNCFS and Jordan’s Principle Settlement Recipients

Financial Resiliency – updating Digital fiscal planning calendar Through a webtool

<http://indigenousfiscaltools.ca/>



Leading People and Investing to Build Sustainable Communities

March 24 – 28, 2025

Harvard Business School



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Education



Scholarships (Tuition Assistance)

Scholarships & Bursaries

The Indigenous Learning Centre is dedicated to helping Indigenous people reach the highest standard of excellence in finance, management and leadership. ILC's initiatives in the development of Awards and Scholarships are examples of that commitment. Each year the following bursary and scholarships are presented:

Professional Development Scholarships



Amount Varies

The Professional Development Scholarships are available to anyone who wishes to take AFOA Canada courses. This scholarship is intended to offset the full registration costs for AFOA Canada courses and help qualified candidates who do not have the financial resources required to pursue one of AFOA Canada's designations or attend professional development courses.

[Learn More](#)

Next Intake: December 5, 2025

AFOA CANADA 2026 PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

AFOA Canada will be delivering one-day and two-day pre-conference workshops on February 9 and 10, 2026. For more information on the pre-conference workshops, visit afoa.ca.

2-DAY WORKSHOPS FEBRUARY 9 & 10, 2026

- First Nations Governance IV: Strategy
- Project Management for Large Infrastructure Projects
- Estate Planning: Understanding Death, Taxes and the Lasting Legacy to your Family
- Digital Tools: AI and Emerging Technologies

1-DAY WORKSHOPS FEBRUARY 9, 2026

- Human Resources Management Essentials: Module Two - The Employment Relationship and the Employee Experience
- Financial Resiliency: Bookkeeping Foundations - Planning for the External Audit
- Finance for Non-Financial Managers

1-DAY WORKSHOPS FEBRUARY 10, 2026

- Human Resources Management Essentials: Module Three - Indigenous Employee Effectiveness and Capacity Building
- Financial Resiliency: Bookkeeping Foundations - Accounts Payable: Electronic Purchase Orders and Approvals
- IT for Non-IT Professionals



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GROWING CAPACITY FOR A
STRONGER COMMUNITY**

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Questions & Answers

