



Mille Lacs Band  
Noojimo'wiigamig Inaawanidiwag  
*Healing Families*

## WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE?

A parent, custodian or, guardian (caretaker) of a child who is a Mille Lacs Band member, eligible for membership, or a Band member descendant, and the child is the subject of a child protection case, and is:

- **diagnosed with a substance use condition**
- **willing to follow treatment recommendations**
- **ready and able to comply with the program requirements**
- **not a violent offender or perpetrator of sexual abuse or felony child abuse**

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*"I've grown a lot. It's brought me a long way, and my relationship with my family has grown stronger," she said.*

*"Because I was running around with the wrong people, I didn't have a relationship with them really, because I was not doing the right things.*

*I'm sober, and I finally have a vehicle. We have a place of our own. I have my daughter, and I'm actually living life the way I'm supposed to."*

*—Family Wellness Court Graduate*

## READY FOR A NEW BEGINNING?



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## WANT HELP TO GROW A HEALTHY FAMILY?

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Noojimo'wiigamig Inaawanidiwag focuses on parents and guardians whose substance abuse contributes to a child's neglect and abuse—resulting in the family becoming involved in child protection proceedings.

This voluntary, confidential program uses a team of professionals and cultural advisors to pull together and coordinate the services and resources you need to become and stay sober.

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### SERVICES INCLUDE:

- Substance abuse treatment and testing
- Cultural connections
- Individual and family counseling
- Group recovery support
- Transportation
- Parenting time
- Educational guidance
- Employment assistance
- Housing location aid



## WHY PARTICIPATE IN A FAMILY HEALING TO WELLNESS COURT?

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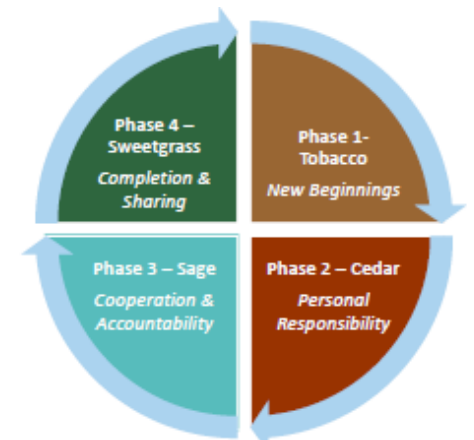
- Have a higher likelihood of having your family reunified
- Children are returned to parents sooner
- Decreased number and length of children's foster care stays
- Parents are more likely to achieve and maintain sobriety
- Gain a community of other sober parents & supports
- Opportunity to re-engage in community and cultural life

## HOW DOES IT WORK?

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Noojimo'wiigamig Inaawanidiwag has four phases that start you on the road to sobriety and helps you sustain your recovery. Healing from addiction and learning new tools to avoid substance abuse takes time so the program can be from 12 to 18 months long.

The four phases are represented by Ojibwe sacred medicines:



You will have a dedicated case manager, in addition to a Family Services social worker, to assist you in meeting your goals.

The recovery journey is a challenging one, but you will have a whole team supporting you!