KO TELEMEDICINE PRESENTS

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Introduction

In order to deliver KOTM in a holistic, community driven and culturally appropriate way, KO Telemedicine acknowledges that we need to educate our staff in the teachings of our ancestors and refresh the memories of their guidance. We have tried to preserve the teachings by not changing their words.



Respecting Different Cultures





As Aboriginal people it is important to identify who we are as people and to understand our culture and family values. Each race or ethnic origin has different ways of doing things. These native codes of ethics were passed down by our ancestors.

Give Thanksgiving



Each morning upon rising and each evening before sleeping, give thanks for the life within you and for all life, for the opportunity to grow a little more each day.

Consider your thoughts

Consider your thoughts and actions of the past day and seek for the courage and strength to be a better person. Seek for things that will benefit everyone.



RESPECT

Respect means:
to "feel or show honor or esteem
for someone or something, to
consider the well-being of,
or to treat someone or something
with deference or courtesy."



Showing Respect is a Basic Law of Life

Treat every person from the tiniest child to the oldest Elder with respect at all times. Special respect should be given to Elders, parents, teachers and community leaders.



Avoid hurting

No person should be made to feel "put down" by you; avoid hurting other hearts as you would avoid a deadly poison.



Respect the Privacy of Others



Touch nothing that belongs to someone else especially sacred objects without permission or an understanding between you. Respect the privacy of every person. Never intrude on a person's quiet moment or personal space.

Respect the People Around You



Never walk between people who are talking.

Never interrupt people who are talking.

Do not speak unless invited to at gatherings where Elders are present.

Remain silent until an Elder has finished speaking.

Communication

Never speak about others in a negative way, whether they are present or not.

Show deep respect for the beliefs and religions of others.

Listen with courtesy to what others say, even if you feel that what they are saying is worthless. Listen with your heart.



Wisdom

Respect the wisdom of the people in council.
Once you give an idea to a council or a meeting, it no longer belongs to you. It belongs to the people.



Be Truthful



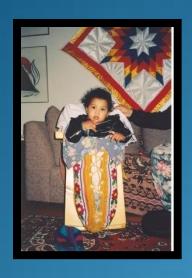
Be truthful at all times, and under all conditions the hurt of one is the hurt of all.

Treat your guests with honor



Always treat your guests with honor and consideration. Give your best food, the best part of your house and your best service to your guests. Receive strangers and outsiders with a loving heart as members of the human family.

All races must be respected





All the races and tribes in the world are like the different colored flowers of one meadow. All are beautiful, as children of the Creator, they must all be respected.

Serve others



To be of some use to family, community, nation or the world, is one of the main purposes for which human beings have been created.

Do not fill yourself with your own affairs and forget your most important Task. True happiness comes only to those who dedicate their lives to the service of others.

Observe

Observe moderation and balance in all things. Know those things that lead to your well-being, and those that lead to your destruction.



Listen



Listen to and follow the guidance given to your heart.

Kitchii Miiquetch!!

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