

## Jen Ashlee (Metis and Cree) Cistawesin Kahkahkiswew Echoes of the Raven Woman

"Looking behind, I am lifted with gratitude. Looking forward, I am filled with vision. Looking upward, I am filled with strength. Looking within, I discover peace."

-- Quero Apache Prayer

## **About Me:**

I currently work at Urban Native Youth Association as the Director of Clinical Programs. I have a Masters of Education degree and am a Board Certified Behaviour Analyst.

## What I want SIP Members to Know:

I have just joined the group this year, and I am doing both the role of mentee and mentor this year. I became qualified in 2021, so I in some ways feel new to my professional roles but I have worked in the field since 2012. I had a difficult and lonely time in my Masters degree process and I want to support others to not feel this way. I am passionate about neurodivergent-affirming practices, decolonizing therapeutic practices/systems, including Indigenous practices into my work and I am learning about harm reduction/substance use supports from an Indigenous lens. I present and train others on these topics, and have an interest in starting to publish some papers on the topics as well.