## HEALTH: AN UPDATE FOR THE MEMBERS OF BINGWI NEYAASHI ANISHINAABEK

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### NEWSLETTER

**FALL 2016** 

Two Day Women's Retreat

# In March 2016, BNA put on a 2-day women's retreat which involved a guest speaker whose topics touched base on mental health issues, trauma, suicide prevention, grief and loss, cultural activities such as regalia making and self-care tips.



#### **ASSIST Suicide First Aid**

BNA held an informative 2-day workshop for its

membership on March 12<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Members in attendance were certified in the Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASSIST). Members are now able to recognize persons at risk, offer help, and apply a model of suicide intervention.



#### **BNA Problem Gambling Workshop**

On March 18 BNA collaborated with members

to produce a poster for distribution to create awareness on the consequences of gambling and prevention techniques and resources.



#### **BNA Easter Food Hamper 2016**

BNA's health department provided a wide variety of foods which included dried goods, canned goods, baby foods, diapers, toiletries and other necessities. Members were given a clothes ham-



per to fill up on items that retail at an expensive price but are deemed an essential.

#### **BNA's Aboriginal Day 2016**

On Saturday June 18th, BNA held its Aboriginal Day at Chippewa Park. Members enjoyed activities such as Bingo, a Silent Auction, and bouncy castles and races for the children. Barbequestyle luncheon, snacks and drinks were enjoyed by all.



