



## **MEDIA RELEASE**



### **Jake Hendy, Executive Director – ISCA**

Indigenous Sport Council (Alberta) is happy to announce that Jake Hendy has accepted the role of Executive Director for ISCA.

“Jake is very excited to take on his new role. His experience as the CEO of Alberta Indigenous Games is one our Board of Directors feels would enhance ISCA’s vision and goals for the future,” shared Shannon Dunfield, Chair – ISCA. “

### **Background**

Jake grew up in a farming community in a border town next to the Northern Ute Tribe in Northeastern Utah. He is Indigenous and has ancestral ties to the Shawnee and Delaware people from the Eastern United States through his grandparents. After high school he served a two-year church mission in Saskatchewan, Manitoba and Northwestern Ontario where he fell in love with Canada and the many Indigenous people he worked with.

As a former College and NCCA Division 1 University Football and Track and Field athlete, Jake has a passion for sports. This passion for sport led him to help grow Alberta Indigenous Games because he believes Indigenous youth should be afforded every opportunity, through sport, to be successful at anything they put their mind to. Jake credits much of his learning from the late Allan Ross, founder of the Alberta Indigenous Games, as well as, current ENBA President and Chair, Martha Campiou and especially from all of the youth and coaches that have participated in the past Alberta Indigenous Games.

Jake currently resides in Edmonton, Alberta and is married to Shakeh Crowfoot Hendy from the Siksika Nation and they have four children. Jake and Shakeh enjoy attending powwows and watching two daughters jingle dance.

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