

**ONGOING DIALOGUE:
BEST PRACTISE APPROACHES TO INTERNATIONAL HOMESTAY/
HOME PLACEMENT PROGRAMS**

A BCCIE Professional Development Event

**Friday, April 1, 2011
1:00 – 4:00 pm
SFU Harbour Centre, Room 1400-1410
Vancouver, BC**

BC institutions have a strong reputation for providing a comprehensive and holistic learning experience for international students and are committed to offering high quality supportive learning and living environments for their learners. A major aspect of a student's international experience occurs outside the classroom in the community and home environment in which they reside while in Canada.

International students living abroad are often not familiar or engaged with local social and community support agencies and instead rely on well-established support services and safe, supportive host families as an integral part of their international experience.

What support services and protocol does your district or institution have in place to ensure an effective, responsive host family program? What issues do you face as an institution or district providing care to international students in host family situations? What rules and regulations govern institutional due diligence and responsibility to provide care?

Join a panel of experienced colleagues from a range of public and private host family program providers for an engaged, frank dialogue on best practises. Share and learn new strategies and frameworks for growing your own program and monitoring its success.

This paid half-day workshop is open to BCCIE stakeholders from K-12, language and post-secondary institutions. BCCIE stakeholders are those practitioners who work at public school districts or recognized independent K-12 schools and [EQA-designated](#) post-secondary institutions and language schools. BCCIE will confirm eligibility during the registration process. To learn more, and to register before **Wednesday, March 30**, please visit <http://www.bccie.bc.ca/educators/professional-development>.