

ECEBC LEADERSHIP

Featuring Alumni of the ECEBC Leadership Initiative

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"Hear Me Roar-So call me maybe"

When I first started my role, I was very nervous to take on tough/sensitive issues. That put the organization in a bad light. I actually refused interviews that were important e.g. when a child died in care.

I knew the importance of communication within

our sector so I developed a message that I believe in and I prepared a tool. I got interviewed more often and I got positive and interesting feedback that reinforced the importance of key message. I was able to act despite the fear because I was prepared and had a sense of calm.

Being part of the ECEBC Leadership Initiative provided confidence in communication and access to solutions and skills. My enhanced communication skills have had a ripple effect in our organization. I've become a respected opinion and a "go to person" for messages "I was able to act despite the fear because I was prepared and had a sense of calm. " Emily Mlieczko



Emily has been a member of ECEBC since September 14, 1992. She is an active membe of the Vancouver Branch.

Prince Rupert: A Child Friendly Community

Focused on having Prince Rupert declare itself a child-friendly community and integrating child –friendly policies into Prince Rupert's community plan (Community of Innovation Project Report, 2010).