



## WHAT THE RESEARCH SAYS

Women traditionally hold a strong leadership role within indigenous communities, as a final voice of accountability and moral authority, acting as support and validation of the formal leadership roles usually occupied by men.

As research participants, Indigenous parents emphasize types of parental involvement such as provision of a stable home life, and education in cultural values and knowledge.

Having a child is often seen as a way to provide Indigenous youth with a positive focus and direction, as well as allowing them to quickly become viewed as adults within their communities.

For women to pass on healthy perspectives of Indigenous table