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Advisory: Free public education session on B.C. *Human Rights Code* will tackle housing, employment and services

Vancouver B.C. – Building on the success of its fully enrolled spring session, BC's Office of the Human Rights Commissioner will be hosting another free educational session about B.C.'s *Human Rights Code* this Wednesday, Oct. 4, 2023. This interactive online session will focus on all three areas covered by the Code: discrimination in housing, employment and services.

Whether tuning in as a landlord, tenant, employer, employee, service provider or service user, this 90-minute session will help participants learn about their rights and responsibilities. By the end, learners will be able to:

- situate B.C.'s *Human Rights Code* within other human rights laws
- recognize terms used in B.C.'s human rights system
- identify discrimination under B.C.'s *Human Rights Code*
- recognize what protected personal characteristics can be used to make human rights complaints

WHO: BC's Office of the Human Rights Commissioner (BCOHRC)

WHAT: B.C. *Human Rights Code* educational session

WHEN: Wednesday, Oct. 4, 2023, from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. PST

WHERE: Virtual, via Zoom videoconferencing

REGISTER: https://ca01web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_fQoK5jW9QEyDnU7EtXWs7Q#/registration

Registration is free. Please register in advance on [Zoom](#) or by contacting engagement@bchumanrights.ca.

Kindly note that this session will host a maximum of 500 participants.

Please note we are not the BC Human Rights Clinic and we do not offer legal advice or provide representation. We also do not accept individual human rights complaints; these should be directed to the BC Human Rights Tribunal.

More about BCOHRC's *Code* workshop educational sessions

These sessions are held throughout the year on topics related to areas protected by the *Human Rights Code*: housing, employment and services.

Closed captioning will be available at this event. If you have other accessibility or language requirements, please contact us at engagement@bchumanrights.ca and we will do our best to accommodate you.

These sessions are meant for a broad audience. If you are interested in booking a session for your organization or group, please contact us through our [event request page](#) (specify if you would like a focus on housing, employment or services).

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Media contact

To request an interview with Commissioner Kasari Govender, please contact media@bchumanrights.ca

Media kit

[Download](#) our media kit for images of Commissioner Kasari Govender.

About BCOHRC

BC's Office of the Human Rights Commissioner exists to address the root causes of inequality, discrimination and injustice in B.C. by shifting laws, policies, practices and cultures. We do this work through education, research, advocacy, inquiry and monitoring. Learn more at: bchumanrights.ca

About the Commissioner

B.C.'s Human Rights Commissioner, Kasari Govender, started her five-year term on Sept. 3, 2019. As an independent officer of the Legislature, Commissioner Govender is uniquely positioned to ensure human rights in B.C. are protected, respected and advanced on a systemic level. Her work through BC's Office of the Human Rights Commissioner centres listening deeply to British Columbians to inform educational materials, policy guidance, public inquiries, interventions, community-based research and more that protects marginalized communities, addresses discrimination and injustice and upholds human rights for all.

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