

Biography of M. Ryan Robb

Ryan Robb received his Bachelor's Degree in Economics from Queen's University in Kingston, Ontario. Upon completion, he accepted a position in Calgary with a supply company working in the Oil & Gas Sector to manage and grow their Western Division.

Ryan was most recently the Chief Executive Officer for both Treaty 7 Management Corporation and the Treaty 7 First Nations Chiefs' Association. For the past 12 years he has worked for these organizations (and their predecessor Treaty 7 Tribal Council) in a number of different capacities including as Director of Business Development and Information Technology.

Currently he is the Regional Manager of Government and Aboriginal Affairs for Opus Stewart Weir, where his skills are being utilized to increase business through a balanced approach between contemporary business practices and respecting traditional values of all parties.

His background and interest is in assisting organizations attain growth through the development of both new and existing markets. Of particular interest to him is working on negotiating complex multi stakeholder agreements.

Ryan serves on a number of boards and advisory committees helping organisations to recognize and include aboriginal interests and contributions; he takes great pride in balancing these with well-established business practices.

In 2009, he was honoured with the Blackfoot name "Niinistakaa" by Chief Reg Crowshoe, Piikani Nation. Ninistakaa means "the one the Chiefs depend on/Chiefs' Warrior". In 2011, he was further honoured with a Headdress for his service to the Treaty 7 Nations.