

Working Therapeutically with Children from Post Separated Families

Course Description

The course aims to inform and train specialist Child Consultants who are able to assess children and young people as part of a therapeutic process, which endeavours to intervene in parental conflict. These Child Consultants will be skilled to act as advocates for the needs of children in families Post-Separation who are in dispute.

What you will learn

- Demonstrate an understanding of basic child and adolescent development
- Engage with children of all ages and create a secure, empathic environment within which to explore their experiences of their parents' separation
- Demonstrate an awareness of the impact of parental conflict on children
- Describe the ways in which children and young people respond to parental conflict
- Describe the ways in which children and young people respond developmentally to a separation and their needs during the separation process
- Conceptualise the issues for children and young people around managing to spend time/ have a relationship with each parent. Describe the issues and impact of parental violence on children and on their sense of safety with adults
- Brief and debrief with the Adult Consultant/ Mediator on the essential information required to understand the family dynamics specific to each case
- Demonstrate an ability to assess in role-play both a child and young person via the Child Consultation model using language and tools appropriate to the age and capacity of the child
- Develop Therapeutic Feedback to parents and conceptualise the frame for the intervention
- Demonstrate competence in providing Therapeutic Feedback (via role-play) to parents regarding their child/ren's experience of the separation/conflict
- Demonstrate an awareness of the special issues that arise when working with children from this client population and the skills to manage those issues
- Facilitate a segment of a group especially designed for children whose parents are in high conflict post-separation, and to demonstrate an understanding of the needs of children in such a group

Who is this course for?

Therapists, counsellors, psychologists and other health professionals, targeted at those working in Parenting Orders Programs or Child Inclusive FDR processes.

Details

Participants will receive a nationally recognised statement of attainment on successful completion of assessment tasks (Provider number 2697). For accreditation purposes assessment is required during actual counselling practice under direct supervision. Units of competency assessed in this course are CHCFAM801B Develop an understanding of child inclusive practice and CHCFAM802B Work within a child Inclusive framework (from Voc Grad Dip Relationship Counselling CHC80208).

CODE	COST	DATES	LOCATION
WWF18	\$1170 incl. GST	6 days, 9am - 5pm Mon-Wed 2, 3, 4 Nov and Mon-Wed 16,17,18 Nov	Level 6, 146 Marsden Street, Parramatta

Registration

To obtain a registration form for this course visit www.ifp.nsw.edu.au or email info@ifp.nsw.edu.au or call (02) 8830 0755

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