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\$100 Presenters
and \$75 Students

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\$200 Regular
\$125 Presenters
and \$100 Students

Conference: DAY 2 Inaugural Parenting Coordination Institute

Location: Law Society of Ontario
130 Queen St. W., Toronto, Upper Barristers Lounge

Co-Chairs: Elizabeth Fabiano AccFM, FDRP Med, PC.
and Laura Bradford FDRP Med AccFM PC.

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At a Glance

Tuesday, November 20th, 2018

9:00AM – 9:10AM	Land Acknowledgement and Welcome
9:10AM – 10:15AM	Plenary Part 1
10:15AM – 10:30AM	Coffee Break
10:30AM – 11:30AM	Plenary Part 2
11:30AM – 12:30PM	Discussion
12:30PM – 1:30PM	Lunch (provided)
1:30PM – 2:20PM	Discussion
2:20PM – 3:10PM	Discussion
3:10PM – 3:30PM	Coffee Break
3:30PM – 4:20PM	Discussion
4:20PM – 5:00PM	Round Table Discussion/ Open Mic
5:00PM	Cash Bar Reception

Program

9:00AM – 9:10AM

Land Acknowledgement and Welcome

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9:10AM – 10:15AM

Plenary Part 1

Dr. Barbara Jo Fidler
C.Psych., Acc.FM., FDRP PC.

Parenting Coordination in Perspective

Part 1 of plenary will cover what Parenting Coordination is and is not, identify appropriate and inappropriate cases, outline the roles and functions taken by the PC, and discuss lessons learned after many years of practice. The areas of knowledge, qualifications and training requirements will be summarized.

10:15AM – 10:30AM

Coffee Break

10:30AM – 11:30AM

Plenary Part 2

Marianne Cuhaci

MSW, RSW, Acc.FM FDRP Med. Arb. PC.

Common Procedural and Ethical Challenges in PC – A View from Experience

Parenting Coordination (PC) is one of the most recent FDR models to enter the Ontario family law realm. Growing quickly in popularity because of its effectiveness in many cases, the process nevertheless presents some unique procedural and ethical challenges for PCs, clients and their lawyers. Inspired by her own extensive experience as a parenting coordinator in Ottawa since 2001, and by the growing demand for Parenting Coordination, Marianne will highlight a few of the procedural challenges that PC's face regularly, providing her own insights into how to address these issues.

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11:30AM – 12:30PM

Discussion

“Parenting Coordination within a Community of Practice Framework”

Dr. Dan Ashbourne C. Psych.

Kim Harris C. Psych. – London Family Court Clinic.

Beyond the requirements under the Arbitration Act Regulation 134/07, Parenting Coordination operates in Ontario in a unique, unregulated environment. Learn about the many supports for PCs in practice including HCF networks, AFCC and AFCCO, the NWFF initiatives, and the range of options that families may encounter when PC is discussed or considered. Efforts in regions across the province to help families with HC are canvassed including Roundtable forums, various NWFF models, Forums, Consultation groups, networks, court clinic/sole private practitioner/ or associated practitioners, and communities of practice.

12:30PM – 1:30PM

Lunch (Provided)

1:30PM – 2:20PM

Discussion

One or two? Open or Closed?
The many ways of PC in Ontario

MODERATOR Elizabeth Hyde J.D., LL.M., FDRP PC.

PANEL Linda Popielarczyk MSW, RSW, Acc.FM,
Seema Jain Jain Family Law and Mediation,
Shely Polak PhD, MSW, RSW, Acc.FM.

Parenting coordination practice in Ontario has evolved in many directions depending on the skills, training, and personality of the professionals. Some offer open parenting coordination; others offer a closed process. Some insist that PC is not PC unless the same person provides the full range of skills including arbitration; others feel that the process is most effective with two professionals providing different aspects of the service.

2:20PM – 3:10PM

Discussion

PC Practice Across the Country

Arlene H. Henry QC (British Columbia).

Ten Years Later – Parenting Coordination in BC

Darrell Gallant Alternative Dispute Resolution Coordinator, PEI Department of Justice and Public Safety.

Parenting Coordination in Prince Edward Island: A Public /Private Partnership

PC practice has evolved differently in each jurisdiction. This interactive panel will explore these differences with experts from both BC and PEI sharing their experiences from which we can all learn.

3:10PM – 3:30PM

Coffee Break

3:30PM – 4:20PM

Discussion

“Why PCs Don’t Want to Arbitrate and Why It’s Easy – Right?”

Brahm Siegel Nathens Siegel LLP.

Elizabeth Hyde J.D., LL.M., FDRP PC.

Many PCs who do not have legal training are reluctant to arbitrate. The speakers will review the law of evidence, the requirements of due process as it applies to PC practice and the current case law to explain why conducting hearings and applying the law is nothing to fear.

4:20PM – 5:00PM

Round Table Discussion/ Open Mic

“Have Your Say”

Opportunity to share experiences and network with colleagues followed by a cash bar reception.

5:00PM

Cash Bar Reception

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