

# PARENTING COORDINATION: FOUNDATIONS 3-DAY SMALL GROUP WORKSHOP



**Barbara Jo Fidler, Ph.D., C.Psych., AccFM**

**November 16, 17 & 18, 2017 - 9am. to 4:30pm.**

This introductory course is suitable for mental health professionals, mediators and lawyers. No previous experience or knowledge of parenting coordination is required. The following are covered: the role of cognitive bias in assessment and intervention, the roles and functions of the parenting coordinator, high conflict families, sample *Parenting Coordination Agreement*, nuts and bolts of the process -- referrals/intake, facilitation, parent education, involvement of children and collateral sources, intimate partner violence and the implications for the PC process, relevant arbitration legislation and regulations, training requirements, arbitration procedures and writing of awards, professional guidelines, ethical issues and dilemmas, and more.

Parent conflict is the strongest predictor of child maltreatment post separation; conflict accounts for only 30% of child related outcomes leaving many other factors playing a key role in children's adjustment. A half day of the training is devoted to an overview of the social science literature and research on important topics relevant to working with children and parents experiencing separation/divorce, including: the impact of separation/divorce on children/adolescents; risk/resiliency factors; consequences of parental and coparenting conflict on children and adolescents, and its impact on parenting and the quality of parent-child relationships; models of coparenting, parenting styles and effectiveness; the impact of parent adjustment fathering on child/adolescent adjustment; and, parent-child contact problems. One important function of the PC is parent education. The training includes parent education resources and methods for educating parents about this research.

Another half day is devoted to the "voice of the child" including a review of the social science literature on the risk of benefits of including children in dispute resolution process and a developmentally informed protocol for interviewing children in PC, mediation & custody/access assessment.

**Course Materials provided:** Sample *Parenting Coordination Agreement*, reading list, power point handout, forms and checklists relevant to all stages of the process, seminal articles, and more.



The Law Society of Upper Canada credits 12 CPD credits to their members

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**Registration Fee: \$1275.00 + \$165.75 (HST) = \$1,440.75**

**(includes breakfast at 8:30am., lunch and health break refreshments)**

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*"Excellent! I learned so much... The way you convey your knowledge was very well organized and kept me interested and eager to learn more."*

**Barbara Jo Fidler, Ph.D., C.Psych., Acc.FM.** Dr. Fidler has worked with separating/divorcing families and high conflict parenting conducting assessments, professional consultations, mediation, arbitration, therapy and parenting coordination for over 30 years. She provides expert testimony and consultations to lawyers and mental health professionals. Dr. Fidler has presented at numerous conferences and trainings and delivers trainings to judges, lawyers and mental health professionals. She is author of many articles, chapters and four books: *Children Who Resist Post-Separation Parental Contact*, *Emotional Harm & Parent Child Contact Problems*, *Child Custody Assessment & Challenging Issues in Child Custody Disputes*. Dr. Fidler is a co-founder of *Family Solutions and Families Moving Forward* and maintains an independent practice. She sat on the AFCC committee responsible for developing Parenting Coordination Guidelines, is Past President of AFCC-O, and currently sits on the Board of Directors of Overcoming Barriers.

# REGISTRATION FORM

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*Barbara Jo Fidler, Ph.D., C.Psych., AccFM*

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
(how you wish your name to appear on your certificate)

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
(include Postal Code)

CONTACTS: \_\_\_\_\_  
(home) (work)

\_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_ (E-mail)

May we share your contact information with the other attendees:  YES  NO

How did you hear about this seminar? \_\_\_\_\_

List your educational background (Please enclose your CV):  
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Identify any courses on Parenting Coordination or related topics you may have taken:  
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List your work and/or clinical experience: \_\_\_\_\_  
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List any dietary restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Fee: \$1,275.00 + \$165.75 (HST) = \$1,440.75**

Payment by cheque payable to: "Dr. Barbara Fidler"

*Cancellation Policy: Refund less \$75.00 Administration Fee for written notice of withdrawal received up to 7 working days prior to the course. No refund for withdrawal received after that date. Substitution of registrant is permitted at any time.*

**SUBMIT YOUR REGISTRATION FORM, CV\* AND CHEQUE TO:**

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Receipts & Certificates of Attendance provided at end of workshop

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