

TRAINING CALENDAR 2019

WOMEN AND THE LAW

Practical Legal Essentials to support your client

WHEN CHILD PROTECTION ARE INVOLVED... GUIDING AND SUPPORTING YOUR CLIENT

7 MAY & 17 SEPTEMBER 9:30am - 4:30pm

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If your client is involved with child protection, it is essential to have an understanding of how child protection intersects with other legal matters. This training will empower you to provide accurate and timely legal information on child protection to your client, including your client's rights and responsibilities.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- Practitioners in family violence services
- Practitioners in community and health services

WHAT WILL YOU LEARN?

- Overview of the Australian legal system
- How a child protection matter moves through the court, and how to assist and advocate for your client at each stage of the process
- What the law says about removal of children and best interests of the child
- Practical tips on working together with lawyers, child protection workers and the courts
- Understanding how your client's child protection matter intersects with other legal issues

WHAT DO OTHER PARTICIPANTS SAY?

- *"I have a better knowledge of the Child Protection system"*
- *"The training was really good, very informative, answered lots of questions and even things I didn't know I wanted answered"*
- *"I will be more confident in my role and supporting clients through child protection issues"*

FAMILY LAW: FAMILY DISPUTE RESOLUTION AND YOUR CLIENT

30 MAY 9.30AM – 4.30PM

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If your client is separated, they may be unsure about what happens next. Family Dispute Resolution (mediation) can assist in working out children's arrangements, and discussing a property settlement post separation. In this training we will also explore the Family Dispute Resolution process in cases involving family violence.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- Practitioners in family violence services
- Practitioners in community and health services

WHAT WILL YOU LEARN?

- Basic foundation of our legal system
- What the law says about children's arrangements post separation
- How to explain the process of Family Dispute Resolution to your clients, and discuss tips and strategies to assist your client in this process
- How Family Dispute Resolution Practitioners work in matters where there is family violence and/or power imbalances
- What options are available to support your client during Family Dispute Resolution

WHAT DO OTHER PARTICIPANTS SAY?

- *"I'll be able to give women I work with clear, practical and correct advice as to the Family Law proceedings"*
- *"I will be more informed when supporting my clients. I will be able to prepare my client better for meetings with lawyers. I will be able to bust the myths."*

FAMILY LAW: WHAT ABOUT THE CHILDREN?

20 JUNE 9.30AM – 4.30PM

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It is essential for your client to receive accurate and timely legal information after a relationship breakdown. This training demystifies the family law process and "busts the myths" around children's arrangements after separation. You will leave the training confident in supporting your client through this legal process.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- Practitioners in family violence services
- Practitioners in community and health services

WHAT WILL YOU LEARN?

- Overview and foundation of our legal system
- What the law says about children's arrangements and best interests
- What happens at Court? Demystifying the general process of court proceedings
- Who's who at Court? Explaining the roles of a Family Consultant and an Independent Children's Lawyer – and how you can best support your client through the process of engaging with the Court system
- What happens if your client wants to change the Orders?
- Critical and urgent issues, such as recovery of children and contraventions.

WHAT DO OTHER PARTICIPANTS SAY?

- *"I'll be able to give women I work with clear, practical and correct advice as to the Family Law proceedings"*
- *"[A strength of the training was] preparing for family law matters and managing clients' expectations around family law"*
- *"I will be more informed when supporting my clients. I will be able to prepare my client better for meetings with lawyers. I will be able to bust the myths."*

FAMILY VIOLENCE AND THE LAW

21 AUGUST 9.30AM – 4.30PM

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Whether you are new to the sector, or an experienced practitioner, this vital training will provide you with an in-depth understanding of intervention orders. You will learn tips and strategies for supporting your clients to apply for an order (including working with police), as well as if there are breaches of orders. You will also learn how intervention orders work with other courts and orders your client may be involved with.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- Practitioners in family violence services
- Practitioners in community and health services

WHAT WILL YOU LEARN?

- The process of an Intervention Order matter through the Court system
- Supports, legal and otherwise, which may assist your client
- What happens if your client (or the other party) wants to change or revoke the Intervention Order?
- The process when there is a breach of the Intervention Orders, including advocacy tips when reporting breaches to the police
- How the interaction between Intervention Orders and other family law matters works

WHAT DO OTHER PARTICIPANTS SAY?

- *"I have better clarity on how to support clients on Intervention Orders and what to expect"*
- *"I have more confidence understanding the interconnection with family violence and the family court"*
- *"The greatest strength of the training was the knowledge of the trainers and a thorough and in-depth explanation of legal and court processes for Intervention Orders"*

FOUNDATIONAL TRAINING: LEGAL ESSENTIALS

31 OCTOBER 9.30AM – 4.30PM

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The new sector landscape means that an integrated and multidisciplinary response is more vital than ever. Your client may not be aware that she has a legal issue, or what her legal rights are. This training will provide you with confidence to identify legal issues and support your client by providing her with timely and accurate referrals and legal information.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- Practitioners in family violence services
- Practitioners in community and health services

WHAT WILL YOU LEARN?

- The essential in family violence law, child protection law and family law
- To ask the right questions to identify critical and urgent legal issues (even when clients don't present with these questions)
- Provide legal information to assist your client's matter
- Work collaboratively with lawyers
- Prepare clients for courts and meetings with their lawyer

WHAT DO OTHER PARTICIPANTS SAY?

- *"Gained a better understanding of why lawyers do/say certain things"*
- *"Vital information provided, relevant to my work"*
- *"Good to have the checklists and maps to refer to."*
- *"I will use the map to feel more confident in providing information/guiding to clients"*

FAMILY LAW: PROPERTY AND FINANCIAL MATTERS AFTER SEPARATION

14 NOVEMBER 9.30AM – 4.30PM

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Research shows that women are at greater risk of poverty, and more at risk of post-separation financial hardship, than men. It is essential for women to be aware of their financial rights after separation. This training will provide you with the knowledge on how to identify crucial property and financial legal issues, and support your client throughout the legal process.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- Practitioners in family violence services
- Practitioners in community and health services

WHAT WILL YOU LEARN?

- Overview and foundation of our legal system What critical and urgent legal “red flag” financial issues your client should be aware of at separation
- What the law says about financial and property arrangements post separation
- Practical options and referrals available to your client

WHAT DO OTHER PARTICIPANTS SAY?

- *“I’ll be able to give women I work with clear, practical and correct advice as to the Family Law proceedings”*
- *“[A strength of the training was] preparing for family law matters and managing clients’ expectations around family law”*
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