

Save the Date!

August 2 & 3, 2011

**2 days prior to the
APA Convention
at the
Renaissance Hotel
Washington, DC**

**12
CE's**

**Tuesday and Wednesday
9 am to 4:30 pm**

"This workshop will provide core training that can be complemented by additional specialized training to fulfill the requirements for PC practice in many states."

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Core Training in Parenting Coordination

A two-day training for psychologists and other legal and mental health professionals who work with separating and divorcing families.

Parents who are in chronic high conflict pose particular difficulties for the courts, the professionals who are involved with them, and their children. This two-day training will examine the role and functions of the parenting coordinator and the interventions helpful to reduce conflict. Participants will have the opportunity to develop core knowledge and skills in this emerging area. Focus will be on the psychological dynamics in high conflict families and the impact on their children.

Special topics such as working with parents with substance abuse and/or mental illness or personality disorders, involving children in the PC process, culturally competent practice, and resolving ethical dilemmas will be discussed. Practical parenting coordination techniques and decision making methods will be highlighted. APA's Guidelines for the Practice of Parenting Coordination will be used to illustrate recommended practices.

This workshop is designed to help you:

- Understand the psychological dynamics of high conflict families;
- Describe the parenting coordinator's objectives, role, and functions;
- Identify the qualifications and skills needed to be a parenting coordinator;
- Understand the legal framework for parenting coordination and the type of court orders or agreements needed to proceed;
- Learn interventions to help parents reduce conflict and develop a more functional relationship that focuses on the best interests of the children;
- Explain when and how to include children in the parenting coordination process;
- Analyze disputes and create procedures for screening and initiating cases, writing agreements, and drafting decisions;
- Identify ethical and legal challenges in parenting coordination; and
- Learn culturally competent parenting coordination practices.

Enrollment opens April 15, 2011

For further details visit: www.marylandpsychology.org

Registration fee for 2-day training:

MPA and APA Members: \$300

Non-MPA/APA Members: \$390

Student (with ID or class schedule) half mbr/non-mbr rate

A reception will be held on August 2nd following the first day of workshop programming. The reception will feature remarks by distinguished contributors to the field of parenting coordination and provide an opportunity to network with legal, judicial, and mental health professionals working as or with PCs. This reception is sponsored by the APA Insurance Trust.

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