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TITLE: Report Writing: A Child Centred Approach for Including Children's Voices in Family Law

DURATION: 1 day 9-4 p.m.

LEARNING MODE: Face to Face or Distance Participation by Zoom Invitation
Course Materials Provided Electronically

MATERIALS REQUIRED FOR DISTANCE PARTICIPANTS:

- Computer with Internet Access (computer camera and microphone required)
- MWC Course Manual
- Sample of one report written by participant
- Master class course materials

*Note materials provided to on-site participants

DATES / LOCATIONS AVAILABLE:

Date	Location
February 21, 2020	Calgary
March 3, 2020	Edmonton

Can be provided at an offsite location

SUITABLE FOR:

- Children's Lawyers
- Parenting Coordinators
- Child Therapists
- Assessors
- Voice of the Child Reporters

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

- Certificate of Attendance for the *Meeting with Children Approach: A Child-Centred Approach*
- Family Law Degree
- Mental Health Degree



CERTIFICATION: **Certificate of Attendance 6 hours CE**

DESCRIPTION:

This one-day program explores the use of the Child and Youth Concerns Scale (in addition to other MWC materials) in broadening the information brought forward to the Court and to other decision-makers by report writers. Participants will share different styles of reports they are already authoring and together will examine the process and structure of reports that include the voice of the child. A discussion will be led on how to defend the use of projective activities (for those in the clinical role). Participants will focus on the value of specialized training in bringing forth the voice of the child in the legal system and how to embed your training and practice experience into your verbal and written CVs.

Lorri Yasenik, PhD, has worked as a child psychotherapist and play therapist for over 25 years. She has extensive experience in working with complex post separation families, particularly families affected by high conflict. In addition to her play therapy designation, Lorri is a Registered Child - Centred Family Mediator, Child-Centred Parenting Coordinator and Child Consultant.

In this one-day workshop Lorri Yasenik will work with participants to develop ideas for reports that integrate the MWC approach to child inclusion.

KEY ELEMENTS:

- Creating space for the breadth of the child’s voice
- Collaborating with the child in the formation of the report through the Child and Youth Concerns Scale
- Managing Ethico-legal Considerations of On-the-Record Child Voice(s)
- Establishing Report Templates
- Defending the MWC approach

COURSE OBJECTIVES

At the conclusion of this course participants will be able to:

1. Identify the rationale for non-directive interventions with children
2. Explain the way to use the Child and Youth Concerns Scale in report writing
3. Identify a report template that is Child and Youth focussed
4. Discuss how to defend practitioner reports using the MWC approach in court
5. Discuss important inclusions in a Voice of the Child Report
6. Explain the ethical challenges of writing a Report that represents the Voice of a Child



MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM NUMBERS:

Minimum Numbers	Maximum Numbers
6	20

NOTES:

COST:

Per person

Fee: \$350.00 plus GST