

TRAINING CALENDAR 2022

Safer Families is a professional development program that supports community legal centre lawyers to provide high quality, effective advice and representation to clients experiencing family violence.

MASTERCLASS			
3&4 MAY 9:30am - 1:30pm	ONLINE	\$50 + bf	BOOK NOW
<p>Experts in migration law, criminal law, family law & child protection will discuss how family violence intersects with their work</p>			
<p>WHO SHOULD ATTEND?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CLC lawyers with more than 2 years' experience working in the family violence jurisdiction 			
<p>WHAT YOU WILL LEARN?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How to Identify and understand the intersection of family violence with immigration law, criminal law, family law and child protection A broader knowledge of your role in the family violence sector as a whole, including identifying new changes in the sector (such as MARAM, family violence information sharing scheme and COVID-19) To develop leadership and advocacy skills through facilitated workshops and discussions with colleagues and experienced practitioners 	<p>WHAT DO OTHER PARTICIPANTS SAY?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>"It was really worthwhile training, I gained a lot out of it."</i> <i>"Very well presented and organised."</i> <p>What was the greatest strength of the training:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Having people who really know their area deliver the training and answering the questions.</i> <i>learning from the amazing presenters as well as from the participants who seem like they are doing really important work as well</i> 		

WORKING WITH POLICE

19&20 MAY 9:30am - 1:00pm

ONLINE

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"The greatest strength of the training was the police prosecutor providing honest insight into how police conduct family violence matters."

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- All CLC lawyers who work with clients affected by family violence

WHAT YOU WILL LEARN?

- To recognise and define police structures, hierarchy, police policy and procedures
- Strategies and advocacy skills when working with clients whose Intervention Order has been contravened
- Strategies and advocacy skills when your client has been incorrectly identified as the perpetrator of family violence
- Best practice strategies to work with police

Day 1 of this training will include an interactive, facilitated discussion with a police prosecutor.

WHAT DO OTHER PARTICIPANTS SAY?

- *"It was probably the most useful training session I have been to in the last 2 years!"*
- *"The greatest strength of the training was having a police prosecutor provide honest insight into how police conduct family violence matters"*
- *"I now have more practical ways to communicate with police"*

WORKING WITH CLIENTS AFFECTED BY TRAUMA

14&15 JUNE 9:30am - 1:30pm

ONLINE

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"I learnt strategies for managing distressed clients and broaching discussions about traumatic events with clients"

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- All community legal centre staff, including managers

WHAT YOU WILL LEARN?

- How traumatic events affect the brain and may affect how clients present and provide instructions
- Strategies to interview and obtain instructions from clients impacted by trauma
- To recognise the impact of social factors and other social disadvantage and how this might interact with trauma
- Skills to practice self-care

WHAT DO OTHER PARTICIPANTS SAY?

- *"Very informative and interactive"*
- *"It was really helpful to learn more detail about types of trauma responses and how they can manifest. Also I found it really useful to hear from other people about their approaches and strategies in the discussions, as a way of learning. Particularly as someone who is new to the area."*
- *"The information and experience sharing within the group - I found it really valuable"*

FAMILY VIOLENCE AND THE LAW FOR GENERALIST LAWYERS

30&31 AUGUST 9:30am - 1:00pm

ONLINE

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Family violence: it can be any client. Know what to do.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- All community legal centre lawyers who work in areas other than family violence

WHAT YOU WILL LEARN?

The training will enable you to:

- Understand the dynamics of family violence, identify evidence-based risk factors and apply this knowledge to your area of legal practice
- Apply a trauma-informed approach to ask clients about family violence
- Explain the court process and conditions of Family Violence Intervention Orders to your client
- Identify common intersections between family violence law and other areas of law, and why this matters to the legal assistance provided
- Avoid collusion with perpetration of family violence when providing perpetrators with legal assistance
- Apply practical strategies to support clients' access help for their family violence legal, safety and recovery needs
- Refer clients and collaborate with other practitioners/organisations in Victoria's family violence response system

WHAT DO OTHER PARTICIPANTS SAY?

- *"It was enormously valuable training. I really felt that it was the perfect balance of the technical skills I needed in understanding family violence law, and a broad and generous view of the intricacies of family violence."*
- *"I am now more able to better ascertain whether family violence is playing a part in why the client has come to get our help"*
- *"I will be more mindful of perpetrators tactics and have different ways to deal with such tactics"*
- *"I have more awareness of and application of evidence-based (family violence) risk factor assessment"*