



FAMILY GROUP CONFERENCING TRAINING

Basic and Advanced
May 5 and 6, 2011

Family Group Conferencing (FGC)/Family Group Decision Making (FGDM) is an innovative approach that gives the extended family network a voice in the decision-making process that affect their children. It brings the nuclear family, the extended family and friends together to recommend to the child welfare agency a plan for the safety and well being of their children. FGC acknowledges the family's investment in the child and utilizes their firsthand knowledge about themselves. FGC is an approved method of Alternate Dispute Resolution (ADR).

Day 1 Basic Training: An Introduction to FGC/FGDM: a full day that will provide you with an understanding of the history, philosophy and benefits of FGC/FGDM; a description of the conferencing process. Suitable for prospective coordinators, child welfare staff, OCL and other interested community service providers who want to increase their knowledge of FGC.

Please note: The Basic Training is a prerequisite for enrolling in Day 2, Advanced Training

Day 2 Advanced Training: Skills Building in FGC/FGDM: a full day that enables participants to further their knowledge and skills as referring professionals or in preparation for the role of coordinator. This training is suitable for prospective coordinators, child welfare staff and other interested community partners.

WHEN: Basic: Thursday, May 5, 2011, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm
Advanced: Friday, May 6, 2011, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

WHERE: George Hull Centre for Children and Families
600 The East Mall, 3rd floor, Toronto, ON M9B 4B1
Free parking available.

Registration Fee: \$50.00 per day

If you are interested in attending or have further questions, please contact Carolina Pizarro at 416-622-8833 ext. 412 or at cpizarro@georgehull.on.ca

Coffee, tea and light lunch will be served