

WSBA FAMILY LAW SECTION ANNUAL FALL SEMINAR: UFLAA Annual Training for Arbitrators and Attorneys



FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2024

Approved for 8.0 CLE credits (0.5 Law & Legal Procedure + 7.5 Other).

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Conference Center

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DESCRIPTION

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Join us for a full day of training and valuable presentations by experts and clinicians in: child development, child and juvenile mental health, domestic violence, child abuse, and trauma-informed practices. Leave with useful updates, information and practice tips from distinguished and experienced clinicians. *This program satisfies 8 CLE credits for topics in 2025 UFLAA requirements arbitrators and attorneys. Participants will receive a Certificate of Completion.*

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SCHEDULE

7:45 a.m. > Check-in • Walk-in Registration • Morning Refreshments

8:10 a.m. > Webcast Log-in Opens

8:25 a.m. > Welcome and Introductions by Program Co-Chair

- **Commissioner Jacqueline Jeske (Ret.)** - *Jeske Dispute Resolution LLC, Woodinville*

8:30 a.m. > The Stuff No One Wants to Talk About - Youth Mental Health: Understanding Risks and Interventions

75 minutes, 1.25 credits Other

In 2021, the U.S. Surgeon General issued an advisory titled, "Protecting Youth Mental Health." This advisory described a significant increase in youth of persistent feelings of sadness or hopelessness and considering, planning or committing suicide. In this presentation, we will examine suicidality, self-harm behaviors, and mental health disorders in children and adolescents. We will review risk factors associated with mental health disorders in youth, as well as potential areas for prevention and/or intervention. We will also address how mental health issues may impact parenting plans.

- **Jennifer Wheeler, Ph.D.** - *Pacific Evaluation, Consultation & Treatment Services, PLLC, Seattle*

9:45 a.m. > Don't Judge Until You Understand

60 minutes, 1.0 credit Other

Children with mental health impacts require unique consideration in family court. This presentation explores information from a clinician's view about diagnoses that arbitrators and attorneys should be aware of. In this presentation, we will examine common mental health disorders, including school refusal, social anxiety, general anxiety, and eating disorders, and will review evidence-based treatments. We will cover from a clinician's viewpoint when a GAL is helpful and when it is not helpful.

- **Jennifer Tininenko, Ph.D.** - *EBTCS, Seattle*

10:30 a.m. > Q&A Session with Jennifer Wheeler and Jennifer Tininenko
30 minutes, .5 credit Other

Dr. Tininenko will join a Q&A panel with Dr. Jennifer Wheeler at the conclusion of their sessions to take questions from participants about children and adolescents with mental health challenges.

11 a.m. > BREAK

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11:15 a.m. > Navigating Family Court Cases Involving Children with Special Needs

75 minutes, 1.25 credits Other

This session focuses on the unique challenges faced when children with special needs are involved in family court proceedings. Attendees will learn to identify potential signs of diagnosed or undiagnosed special needs in children; understand how a child's special needs can impact family court cases; explore specific considerations for attorneys and arbitrators when handling these cases recognize the importance of individualized approaches, as opposed to standard "one-size-fits-all" methods; and examine potential negative outcomes that may result from failing to address a child's special needs in court proceedings. By the end of this session, participants will be better equipped to recognize and address the unique requirements of family court cases involving children with special needs, ensuring more appropriate and child-centered outcomes.

- **Professor Margaret Price, JD** - *National University, San Diego, CA*

12:30 p.m. > LUNCH (hosted)

1 p.m. > Trans Children in Today's Society: A Time of Upheaval

75 minutes, 1.25 credits Other

The increased societal visibility of transgender children and how to best support them has placed the topic of gender inclusion squarely on our nation's table. While there is a growing consensus from healthcare professionals that these children need support, the pathways forward are still being defined and honed. The pivotal adults in a child's life are often hard-pressed to understand the needs of their children. Their teachers, guardians, case workers, and others can be equally challenged, and all can find themselves attempting to address the concerns and fears of others. With resources difficult to find or conflicting in nature, societal volatility ramps up unchecked. This session will provide an overview of the many considerations - familial, medical, political, cultural, religious, and educational - that adults face while seeking to best support the needs of the child.

- **Aidan Key** - *Gender Diversity Education and Support Services, Seattle*

2:15 p.m. > What You Need to Know About Children with Autism

75 minutes, 1.25 credit Other

This presentation provides a comprehensive overview of autism spectrum disorder, exploring its nature as a spectrum and detailing the common characteristics and challenges faced by children with autism. It discusses the behavioral difficulties associated with the condition, such as tantrums and aggression, and discusses various supports and interventions that can benefit children with autism in their daily lives. The presentation also highlights the crucial role of parent training to address the unique needs of children on the spectrum. Furthermore, it examines common issues that may arise between parents of neurodiverse children and outlines important legal considerations regarding healthcare decisions for minors with autism, including matters of consent to treatment.

- **Mendy B. Minjarez, Ph.D.** - *Associate Professor, Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, University of Washington; Executive Director, Seattle Children's Autism Center, Seattle*

3:30 p.m. > BREAK

3:45 p.m. > DV and Child Abuse/Trauma

90 minutes, 1.0 credits Other, 0.5 Law and Legal Procedure

This presentation explores the intersection of domestic violence with criminal law, family law, and therapeutic and forensic interventions. It covers criminal law's approach to domestic violence and family law's role in protecting victims during custody and divorce proceedings. We'll discuss how family law cases affect criminal proceedings and explore strategies to minimize harm for families caught in legal battles. The crucial interplay of therapy in recovery and abuse prevention during litigation will also be examined. Through real case examples, we'll promote collaborative, multidisciplinary approaches. Our goal is to provide a comprehensive understanding of domestic violence and child abuse in litigation, along with trauma-informed strategies to support victims across legal venues.

- **Toni Montgomery** - *Snohomish County Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, Lead Supervisor Felony DV Unit, Everett*
- **Brad Walvatne** - *Patrol Sergeant and former Detective, Major Crimes Unit, Snohomish County Sheriff's Office, Everett*

5 p.m. > Adjourn • Complete Online Evaluations

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