

FAMILIES IN TRANSITION FIT

Families change after separation and divorce. Many critical issues need to be addressed - from paternity, custody, and parenting arrangements - to a range of pressing needs of children. For parents and children, it is a challenging time.

FAMILIES IN TRANSITION, FIT, offers a two session workshop focusing on the needs of children when their parents separate or divorce. FIT is appropriate for both married and unmarried parents. The 5-hour workshop is divided into two 2 ½ hour sessions, a week apart and is led by a male/female team of parent education specialists.

In the workshop you will learn about:

- How children react to separation and divorce at different ages
- What children need to know and how to talk with them about separation/ divorce
- Parenting in two households
- Problem-solving as co-parents
- Pitfalls to avoid
- How to help your children survive separation/divorce with strength and resilience

Who Attends?

In divorce cases affecting minor children, Probate and Family Court requires *both* parents to attend. After completing the 2-session program, participants receive certificates and the Court is notified. Other parents may be ordered by the Court - or may voluntarily choose - to attend.

How to Register

Each parent is required to attend separate sessions. All participants must pre-register. No walk-ins are permitted. To register, please mail the attached form with the \$80 *per person* fee to: FIT, Franklin County Bar Association, 20 Federal Street, Greenfield, MA 01301. *Do not send cash.* Make checks or money orders payable to FIT. All but \$5 of the fee may be waived for persons qualifying as indigent. A fee waiver may be obtained through the Probate and Family Court. If approved, a certified waiver and a check for \$5 *must* be attached to the registration. **Call (413) 773-9839**

ALL SESSIONS BEGIN ON TIME.

6:00 PM – 8:30 PM

No one will be allowed in late.

Childcare is not provided.

Please do not bring children to workshops.

Schedule of Classes: Choose preferred dates from the enclosed list and fill out on the registration panel. We will send you confirmation of your registration. Questions? Call FIT at 413-773-9839. Weather cancellation number: 773-9839.

Workshop Location

*Baystate Franklin Medical Center
164 High Street
Greenfield, MA*

FAMILIES IN TRANSITION Registration Form

Please Print

First Name Last Name

Address

City/State

Zip

Phone (Daytime)

First Name (Other Parent) Last Name

- I am/was legally married to the other parent
- I was never married to the other parent
- Do you have a restraining order in effect?

Email Address
(We will send confirmation to this email)

Session Dates (Choose from schedule)

Return this form with payment to:

FAMILIES IN TRANSITION

Franklin County Bar Association

20 Federal Street, Suite 4

Greenfield, MA 01301

Please make check payable to:

FIT/Franklin County Bar Association