

JUSTICE FOR FAMILIES?

The Impact of the Family Justice System on Children's Lives.

Wednesday, 25 March 2009
9.30 AM – 5.00 PM

A conference for professionals working with families involved with the family justice system.

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- The conference will provide an important forum to discuss key issues concerning the practice of Family Law and how it impacts on the lives of children and families.
- There will be 2 panels with keynote speakers that will focus on contact issues; children's experiences of the family justice system; the impact of the courts on witnesses; funding for deprived families; openness of proceedings; rehabilitation of families; and family outcome research.
- There will also be facilitated multi-disciplinary small groups to explore these issues in more depth and identify policy and practice developments.
- A final plenary session will provide a forum to debate and propose key changes.

Contributors:

Conference Chair: Dr Roger Kennedy, Consultant Psychiatrist, Cassel Families Service, WLMHT

Cathy Ashley, Chief Executive, Family Rights Group

Henry Bellingham MP, Conservative Shadow Minister of Justice

District Judge Nicholas Crichton, Inner London & City Family Proceedings Court

Mr Justice Coleridge, High Court Judge, Family Division

Maud Davis, Family Solicitor

John Hemmings MP, Chair, Justice for Families Campaign

Susan Kramer, Lib Dem MP

Dr Clare Lucey, Deputy Medical Director Children & Family, WLMHT

Dr David Simpson, Consultant Child Psychiatrist, Tavistock Clinic

Lord Justice Matthew Thorpe, Deputy Chair of Family Justice Council

Professor Judith Trowell, Consultant Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist, Tavistock Clinic

Alex Verdán QC, Family Barrister

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Many viewpoints. One vision.

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Venue:

Cavendish Conference Centre
44 Hallam Street, London
W1W 6JJ

Cost:

£150 (includes a seated lunch and refreshments)

£120 (for early booking before 5th December 2008)

Accreditation from the Bar Standards Board applied for

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