

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

FAMILY GROUP CONFERENCING FACILITATOR TRAINING



We are seeking expression of interest for Family Group Conferencing Facilitator Training to be delivered by CCWT, subsidised by Community Industry Group.

- This is a two day course (14 hrs) and can be delivered online or Face to face. Max 8 participants.
- Cost: \$300pp for members, \$750pp for non-members. This course usually costs \$1450pp.
- To be run sometime in June/July/August.
- If you would like to attend please fill in the following questions and return to Mel Breuker on mbreuker@cigroup.org.au. This will help with decision making.
- EOI closes Friday 6 May 2022, or earlier if full beforehand.

Please note if your EOI is successful, you or someone from your organisation is expected to attend the training.

Name:	
Organisation:	
Location:	
Would you prefer online or face to face?	
Are you doing this training to tender or be part of the approved DCJ facilitator panel or learn new skills to support your organisation client base?	
What is your preferred day(s) for training?	

Family Group Conferencing is a process that brings families together to develop solutions for the issues that children and young people are facing. In NSW it is increasingly being used in the out of home care system to support decision making processes about where children and young people in care can find a permanent placement.

This course will provide you with the mediation skills needed to successfully facilitate a family group conferencing process. It is presented in a blended delivery format, with some modules required to be completed prior to attending the face to face workshop days.

The course also includes assessment against the units of competency:

- CHCMED001 Prepare for mediation
- CHCMED002 Facilitate mediation
- CHCMED003 Consolidate and conclude mediation
- CHCCCS020 Respond effectively to behaviours of concern.

Some assessment will be conducted in the pre-workshop package and the workshop. However there will be the need to complete further assessment tasks after the workshop. This will include a simulated family group conference, which will require you to video your facilitation of a conference.

Topics covered in the course include:

- The origins of Family Group Conferencing model
- The Family Group Conference process
- Negotiation and mediation styles and techniques
- Strategies to manage and resolve conflict and other difficulties
- Working collaboratively with families and other stakeholders
- The role, tasks and skills of a facilitator
- The face to face workshops focus on putting the skills learnt into practice.

Trained Family Group Conference facilitators can apply to be part of an approved panel of facilitators which is managed by the Department of Family and Community Services NSW (FACS). This course has been given approval by FACS as meeting the required qualification in mediation. However other factors are also considered in the application process for this panel and the decision is made by FACS. ACWA does not guarantee that completion of this course will lead to your placement on the approved panel.

Participation in this workshop also entitles you to attendance at a bi-monthly online support group for FGC Facilitators.