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**CAPCT Committee for Continuing Education and Professional Development**

**Other Genes:  
Motherhood and attachment in the age of  
reproductive technology**

**PRESENTERS**

**Fäggie Oliver and Michael Blugerman**

**TIME AND PLACE**

**Monday, January 30, 2017  
7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.  
8 Rean Drive, Meeting Room  
Toronto, Ontario**

**ABSTRACT**

Adoptive children have always had to construct a narrative about themselves, their families and their identity. Now, with children coming into the world through assisted reproductive technology, surrogacy or other alternative means, these narratives are more complex. We will review the issues these children face as they come to understand their origins, the various persons who may be on their birth certificate and who may have been involved in their "formation" as a person.

**LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

1. To discuss the contradictions in the new fertility from a child's point of view to help the child navigate them.
2. This workshop will provide practitioners with an alternative to WTF when they hear a child dealing with: Who's your daddy? Who's your mummy? Why do you have two mummies? What do you mean your daddy is now your mummy? Where is your real mummy? Are you going to search for your sperm or egg donor? Do you have brothers or sisters with other families? Why are there 4 people on your birth certificate? Why are you behaving like this when we spent so many years and thousands of dollars to get you? Did your mom get to choose from albums of photos of donors - was he hot?
3. An opportunity for questions and case discussion will be available.



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## **ABOUT THE PRESENTERS**

**Fäggie Oliver** has over 40 years of clinical experience and is a founding member of CAPCT.

**Michael Blugerman** is President of CAPCT and has worked in the fields of adoption and families and children for over 40 years.

## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

These continuing education hours can be used toward the required “750 hours of practice in the Profession” when applying for the Grandparenting option to the College of Registered Psychotherapists of Ontario (CRPO)

Please Note: Open only to CAPCT members. Registration is FREE.  
For more information and to RSVP please contact 416.690.5464 or [EMAIL](#)

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