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CAPCT Committee for Continuing Education and Professional Development

Pearls and Pitfalls in Therapeutic Practice Discussions with Mary Anne Shaw, Family Law Lawyer Regarding Child, Youth and Family Services Act (CYFSA) and Bill C-78

TIME AND LOCATION

Saturday, November 24, 2018 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Toronto Lawn Tennis Club 44 Price Street, Toronto, Ontario

Parking - Green P on Price St, across from Terroni's on Yonge St.

Subway access: Summerhill, walk 1 block south on Yonge; Rosedale, walk 1 block north on Yonge TLTC is the end of Price St, walk through the gate, turn left, ring bell and ask for the CAPCT

ABOUT THIS PRESENTATION

The **Child, Youth and Family Services Act, 2017** (CYFSA) came into force on April 30, 2018 (Part X will come into force in January 2020), and replaces and repeals the previous Act. CYFSA makes significant changes to how Ontario provides services to children and youth in need of protection. The legislation puts children and youth at the centre of decision-making, and supports more accountable, responsive and accessible child, youth and family services. Of relevance to psychotherapists is Section 125, which sets out the duty to report. You can access the CYFSA and its supporting regulations on the e-Laws website at https://www.ontario.ca/laws/statute/17c14.

Bill C-78, which is intended to amend the parenting provisions of the Divorce Act. The Bill C-78 is child focused, addresses the best interests of the child and will help support the high number of children in families with separated and divorced parents. Also, for instance, grandparents will be able to utilize this act to maintain and foster relationships with their grandchildren. The Bill C-78 is available online http://www.parl.ca/DocumentViewer/en/42-1/bill/C-78/first-reading.

The discussions with Mary Anne Shaw will cover:

- Quick Overview of new legislation (CYFSA), and Bill C-78
- Best Interests of the Child test,
- Duty to Report.
- Voice of the Child –amendments to ensure the child is placed at the centre of all decisions and to ensure children's voices are considered in those decisions,
- Reforming language and concepts for parenting going forward language now in the Divorce Act,
- Therapists' Notes and Releases: how to deal with aggressive, heartless lawyers and warring parents,



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Complex Court Cases-boundaries-individual psychotherapy versus involving the larger system

To illustrate the last point, there will be a Case Presentation using an Alternative Dispute Resolution process developed by Mary Anne Shaw illuminating her approach to high conflict cases, and how to use psychotherapists. Sally Doulis and Faggie Oliver will present the clinical material with Mary Anne Shaw.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- 1. To understand the importance of the CYFSA and changes in the legislation;
- 2. From the perspective of the CYFSA, to learn about the Best Interest of the Child, the Duty to Report, and the significance of the Voice of the Child;
- 3. From the perspective of Bill C-78, to learn about reforming the language and concepts in divorce cases, and more;
- 4. To learn about the role psychotherapists can play in the Alternative Dispute Resolution process with divorcing families.

ABOUT THE PRESENTERS

Mary Anne Shaw, B.A., L.L.B

Mary Anne Shaw is a Family Law practitioner for over forty years. She also practices real estate law and estate law. Mary Anne Shaw has a long-term commitment to the community and has volunteered on many Boards concerning the Arts, Mental Health, and Health; to name a few, Hincks-Dellcrest Centre, Women In Transition, Planned Parenthood. She has been on the Advisory Council for CAPCT. For years, Mary Anne Shaw has provided legal advice to Women's groups. Mary Anne Shaw is the Founder and Former President of Fife House Foundation, a housing project for people with AIDS/HIV positive, and today has two locations. Mary Anne Shaw has been called upon to speak before numerous groups, she has written books on the Questions of Law, as well as written columns on the law for the Toronto Star for over eight years, and has been a guest on several TV stations. And, finally, she produced a video in 1994 called "Shaw on Law". Mary Anne Shaw was the 1999 Recipient of the Ontario Outstanding Achievement Award for Volunteerism.

Sally Doulis, M.S.W., R.S.W., Dip.TCPP.

Sally Doulis is a Registered Social Worker, and Child Psychotherapist. Sally has post-academic training in intensive child psychotherapy (graduate-TCPP); marital therapy, infant-parent psychotherapy (IPP) and High Conflict in Custody Disputes. Sally Doulis has served as Past-President of the Toronto Child Psychoanalytic Programme (TCPP) where she continues to be on Faculty and is a Supervisor with the training programme, now called Canadian Institute for Child and Adolescent Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy (CICAPP). Sally is a Board Member of CAPCT. Sally has worked in the field of children's mental health as a therapist, supervisor and teacher for



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many years. She served as past Head of the Individual Psychotherapy Program at the Hincks-Dellcrest Centre, where she was on staff for thirteen years. She has a private practice providing individual (child, adolescent and adult) psychotherapy, infant-parent psychotherapy with the under fives and their families, marital therapy, counselling to divorcing families, and custody/access assessment through the Office of the Children's Lawyer. Sally is a Co-Leader of Infant-Parent Psychotherapy Intervention training provided at the Toronto Psychoanalytic Society.

Fäggie Oliver, Registered Psychotherapist, MCAPCT

Fäggie Oliver is a graduate of the very first class of Toronto Child Psychoanalytic Programme (TCPP), currently Canadian Institute for Child and Adolescent Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy (CICAPP). Fäggie has a specialized training in the dynamics of infants in families and family therapy with Salvador Minuchin in Massachusettes. Fäggie has more than thirty years of experience in child and adolescent psychotherapy, as well as in work with the parents and adults: she has a private psychotherapy practice. Fäggie's expertise includes extensive experience in working with children who have neurological damage and with children with spectrum disorder. Fäggie worked for seventeen years as a Senior Child Psychotherapist and a Supervisor for students in child care work, early childhood education, social work and psychology, at West End Creche Child and Family Service (currently named Child Development Centre). Fäggie played an active role in establishing the first infant unit at the West End Creche, Currently, Fäggie serves as an Expert Witness in cases involving custody and support of children requiring psychotherapy. Also, Fäggie is a Consultant to Edwin Schild's Regesh Family and Child Service for child psychotherapy and staff development, and a Consultant providing individual child psychotherapy to several Children's Aid Societies in the GTA (Greater Toronto Area). Fäggie Oliver is the Past Director of the Conference Committee, Past Treasurer, and current Board of Directors and Member of Canadian Association of Psychoanalytic Child Therapists, as well as former Faculty and Board member of Toronto Child Psychotherapy Program.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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