

Introducing Signs of Safety & Integrating It With Your Practice

Training Overview

This one-day training will provide a brief overview of the Signs of Safety approach to child welfare practice. This is an emerging practice in the child welfare field. The training will focus on specific areas of practice:

- Family Engagement:
 - Using solution-focused questions with families
 - Strategies to improve interviews with children
- Critical Thinking:
 - How to integrate Signs of Safety Principles with assessment tools to “map” a case
- Enhancing Safety:
 - How to create Harm & Danger Statements
 - Developing well-formed goals for case planning
 - Building a Safety Network
 - Safety Planning

Learning Objectives

Participants will:

- Understand and be able to articulate principles of safety-organized child protection practice.
- Learn the different components to the Signs of Safety approach.
- Be exposed to the practice of “mapping” a case using this approach.
- Learn tangible ways to integrate SofS and assessment tools (SDM & CAT) into their daily practice.

Target Audience

This training is appropriate for Child Welfare Social Workers, Supervisors, Managers and Directors.

Family-Centered Service Project

Across the country, community and state organizations in mental health, social services, health care, and education are developing new frameworks to put families at the center of collaborative, strength-based, culturally responsive services. Founded in 2000, The Family Centered Services Project (FCSP) is dedicated to inspiring, supporting and enhancing agencies' ability to develop family-centered philosophy and practice through training, organizational consultation, and ongoing coaching and technical assistance.