

COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE TRAINING

Collaborative Practice is a multi-disciplinary approach to dispute resolution in which allied professionals work together to assist clients to resolve disputes respectfully and out of Court.

This two day workshop training meets the minimum requirements of the International Academy of Collaborative Professionals (IACP) and will enable the participants to then work in an interdisciplinary collaborative process.

Thursday, 8 - Friday, 9 May 2025

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM In-Person Only

- Presenters: Bev Clark and Rachel Jolly
- Registration Fees:
 Members \$1,200
 Non-Members\$1,350
- 14 CPD units
 available including:
 Ethics 1 unit
 PM / BS 1 unit
 PS 12 units



About this Workshop

This 2-day training has an emphasis on Family Law but is equally useful in any area of law where parties to a dispute need to preserve a relationship beyond the dispute. Examples include estate cases, partnership or business disputes and neighbour disputes.

Lawyers commonly work in an adversarial process, which can be polarising for parties and can add to the conflict. It also results in lengthy processes that are expensive financially and damaging to relationships.

Counselors, family therapists, and psychologists frequently are involved in parties' lives, as are trusted financial advisors. However, the professions often fail to communicate with each other, which sometimes means that they are working against each other.

In this workshop, you will learn:

- the benefits of collaborative practice.
- A step-by-step guide to handling a collaborative case from start to finish.
- Different models of collaborative practice.
- The role and benefits of each of the allied professions.
- The power of working in a team.
- How to let go of preconceptions and old habits that may impede resolution.
- How to help clients move from positions to interest-based negotiation.
- Effective option building to help clients determine their own outcomes.
- How to sell a collaborative process to clients.
- Skills and understanding that will assist clients even in non-collaborative cases.
- How to join or create a local collaborative community.

About the Presenters

The trainers are all experienced collaborative professionals who have worked in multiple cases together. The training is directed toward legal practitioners, psychologists, social workers, family therapists and counsellors, accountants and financial advisors. All trainers are members of the International Academy of Collaborative Professionals and have all traveled overseas, attending advanced training and international collaborative conferences.

Bev Clark is a Family Lawyer, nationally accredited Mediator, and one of the first trained collaborative practitioners in South Australia. She has been working in collaborative cases for almost 20 years.

Rachel Jolly is a Family Therapist, Social Worker, Mediator, and collaborative practitioner with extensive experience working with families, individuals, and couples to address issues of complexity and relationship dynamics. She has been working in collaborative cases for over 15 years.

