

BUILDING SAFETY IN SITUATIONS OF FAMILY VIOLENCE

A two day workshop with Adriana Uken and Sonja Parker

September 13 & 14, 2010
Utrecht, The Netherlands

Working with families where there are issues of violence can be challenging work. Practitioners can find themselves asking questions like: 'How can I work with this family without colluding with the violence? Can I work with the alleged perpetrator if they are not ready to take responsibility? Can I work with a family when I am worried about their safety?' This two day workshop will provide practical tools for engaging with families and building safety for children and families who are caught up in situations of family violence.

During the two days, workshop participants will be introduced to principles and tools from the Plumas Project, a unique approach to working with domestic violence offenders. This approach has recidivism rates of 16% (over 14 yrs) compared to 40- 60% for traditional programs. This approach holds the offender accountable for solutions instead of focusing on problems and has demonstrated that positive and long-lasting changes can occur in a relatively brief period of time by using 'solution-talk' instead of 'problem-talk'.

In the second day, participants will explore the use of the Signs of Safety approach in working with family violence, looking at practical tools for helping families to identify their own safety goals, build their safety networks, and develop detailed safety plans that will satisfy everyone that the children will be safe in the future.

Adriana and Sonja will present these innovative approaches to working with family violence and will use demonstrations, video-material and practical exercises to enable participants to develop skills that they can immediately use in their work with families facing situations of family violence.

Venue: Park Plaza
Westplein 50, Utrecht
www.parkplaza.com

Time: 9.30am - 4.30pm each day

Registration Fee:
€300 for individual participants
€275 per participant for groups of 5 to 9
€250 per participant for groups of 10 or more
Includes refreshments and lunch on both days.

Registrations:
To register, please complete the registration form and payment options.

Enquiries:
Sonja Parker at sonjapa@iinet.net.au

Accommodation:
Is not provided with the training but can be organised directly with the Park Plaza.

Presenters: **Adriana Uken** is a clinical social worker and solution-focused therapist from Northern California. International demand for Adriana's training and consulting has increased rapidly since publication of her innovative work with domestic violence offenders (Plumas Project).



Sonja Parker is an independent social worker, teacher and child protection consultant from Perth, Australia. Sonja has used the Signs of Safety approach extensively in her work in child protection, and provides international consultancy and training in this approach.

REGISTRATION FORM

Contact details:

Organisation: _____

Address: _____

Participants:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Email Address</u>
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Full refunds for cancellations (minus a 10% administrative fee) will be provided until two weeks prior to the training.

Registrations:

Please fax registration form to (61)863141649, email scanned form to sonjapa@iinet.net.au or post to Aspirations Consultancy at the address below.