

AFCC 61st Annual Conference

Coping with Transition: Individual, Family, and Beyond



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The work of family law, mental health, and dispute resolution professionals is endlessly impacted by transition on an individual, family, and community level. These include the transition from an intact family to one that lives in two homes; children's transition between developmental stages; transitioning gender; transitioning to new statutes, processes and professional roles; transitioning in or out of a career; moving, which requires a transition between communities and parenting time plans; and transitioning to new relationships, marriages, and new family forms. Join AFCC to explore the role of transition in and out of our work.

All proposals are **due by 11:00pm Eastern Daylight Time (USA), October 2, 2023.**

Please use the online form on the [61st Annual Conference page](#) on the AFCC website.

Proposals may draw on one of the themes above, a topic below, or propose a completely different topic. Topics may include, but are not limited to:

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| ■ Trans Youth in Separating Families | ■ Digital Family Law |
| ■ Individualized Parenting Plans for Multiple Siblings | ■ Relocation |
| ■ Transgender Parenthood | ■ Intimate Partner Violence |
| ■ Transnational Families | ■ International Family Law |
| ■ Assisted Reproduction Technologies | ■ Stepfamily Transitions |
| ■ LGBTQ+ Families | ■ Parenting Coordination |
| ■ New Ideas for Parent Education Programs | ■ Family Law and Mental Health |
| ■ Innovations in Family Court Services | ■ Empirical Methods in Family Law Research |
| ■ Parent-child Contact Problems | ■ Allegations of Child Sexual Abuse |
| | ■ Family Dispute Resolution Innovations |

Proposal Instructions

AFCC is accepting proposals for 90-minute in-person workshop sessions. To submit a proposal using the online form, please visit the [61st Annual Conference page](#) on the AFCC website. You must submit the following information:

1. The name and email address of the presenter who will coordinate your workshop.
2. A workshop title (no more than 80 characters).
3. An abstract of up to 250 words describing your proposed workshop.
4. A program-ready description of your proposed workshop (up to 90 words) for the conference brochure.
Note: AFCC reserves the right to edit description for consistency.
5. A description of the relevance of your workshop to the AFCC community (up to 250 words).
6. A description of the limitations of the proposed content, including contradictory perspectives and/or evidence.
7. For research proposals, please include a brief description of your methodology, results, conclusions, and applications for practice and policy implications, and for future research (up to 350 words).
8. As part of AFCC's commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI), please describe how your workshop will incorporate issues of diversity and/or culture in relation to your topic (e.g., diversity of speakers, DEI lens applied, limitations to be addressed). This may include but is not limited to race, ethnicity, sex, gender identity, age, ability status, career status, sexual orientation, religion and beliefs, or nationality. Up to 250 words.
9. Three citations from professional literature within the last ten years that provide support for your program (**do not include** links to websites, newsletter articles, or statutes).
10. Two learning objectives that will be addressed by your proposed workshop.
11. Complete contact information for all proposed presenters.
12. Name and information for each presenter as it will appear in the program (name, up to two academic degrees, organization, city, state/province, country).
13. Two professional references with contact information.
14. CVs/resumes and a brief bio for all proposed presenters must be uploaded with your proposal or emailed to psommer@afccnet.org. Please save each attachment (Word document or PDF) under the name of the presenter.
15. When submitting proposals, presenters agree to submit materials by the deadlines provided by AFCC.

There is a maximum of four presenters per workshop (including a moderator). The deadline for proposals is 11:00pm Eastern Daylight Time (USA), **October 2, 2023**. Each presenter may be included on a maximum of two proposals. AFCC is unable to guarantee consideration of incomplete proposals or those submitted after the deadline. AFCC offers reduced registration rates for conference presenters, but does not reimburse for travel, lodging, and related expenses. All proposals must be submitted via the online form. Visit the [61st Annual Conference page](#) on the AFCC website for more information or go directly to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/AFCC61stCFP>

Please direct any questions to Patrick Sommer, AFCC Communications Coordinator, at psommer@afccnet.org or 608-664-3750.

AFCC strives to accept proposals from as many presenters as possible and to limit the number of presentations to one per person. This is not always possible; however, submission of multiple proposals with different co-presenters may result in the rejection of one of the proposals, and therefore those co-presenters. Notification regarding the status of your proposal will be sent by late November 2023.