

## AFCC FALL CONFERENCE

# Integrating Research into Practice and Policy: The Impact on Families and Children

October 31-November 2, 2019  
Omni William Penn Hotel  
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania



Family court professionals are increasingly turning to social science research to inform their decision making, processes, practice, and policy. This often results in rigorous discussion about the role, quality, and importance of research in family court and related practices. Have we given research too much weight? What is the role of professional experience and clinical judgement? What happens when contradictory findings are presented? How do professionals apply group findings to individual cases? Join AFCC as we grapple with these challenging questions.

*All proposals must be submitted by May 13, 2019, using the online form at [www.afccnet.org](http://www.afccnet.org).*

### **Proposed topics may include, but are not limited to:**

- Parent-child contact problems
- Trauma-informed approaches
- Intimate partner violence
- Using research to resolve conflict
- Relocation
- Parenting coordination
- Innovative court programs
- Interviewing skills
- Making research accessible for self-represented litigants
- Research considerations for non-researchers
- Dealing with contradictory evidence
- Group to individual inferences
- Evidence-informed programs and processes
- Mediation
- Access to justice
- Using social science research in the courtroom

*Please see reverse side for proposal instructions*

# Proposal Instructions

AFCC is accepting proposals for 90-minute workshop sessions. To submit a workshop proposal, please go to [www.afccnet.org](http://www.afccnet.org), click AFCC Fall Conference.

You must include the following information:

- (1) The name and email address of the presenter who will coordinate your workshop.
- (2) A workshop title (limited to 80 characters).
- (3) An abstract of 250 words or fewer describing your proposed workshop.
- (4) A program-ready description of your proposed workshop (80 words or fewer) for the conference brochure. AFCC reserves the right to edit descriptions for consistency.
- (5) A description of the relevance of your workshop to the AFCC community (250 words or fewer).
- (6) For research proposals, include a brief description of your methodology, results, conclusions, and applications for practice and policy implications, and for future research (250 words or fewer).
- (7) Three citations from professional literature within the last ten years that provide support for your program (do not include newsletter articles or links to websites).
- (8) Three learning objectives that will be addressed by your proposed workshop.
- (9) Complete contact information for all proposed presenters.
- (10) Name and information for each presenter as it will appear in the program (Name, up to two academic degrees, organization, city, state/providence, country).
- (11) Contact information for two professional references.
- (12) CV/resumes for all proposed presenters must be emailed to [nellickson@afccnet.org](mailto:nellickson@afccnet.org). Please have each attachment saved under name of presenter in a word or PDF document.

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***There is a maximum of four presenters per workshop, including moderator, and two proposals per presenter.*** The deadline for proposals is May 13, 2019. AFCC is unable to guarantee consideration of incomplete proposals or those submitted after the deadline. AFCC offers reduced registration rates for conference presenters and is unable to reimburse for travel, lodging, and related expenses. All proposals must be submitted via the online form, accessible at [www.afccnet.org](http://www.afccnet.org), under the AFCC Fall Conference. Please direct any questions to Nicole Ellickson at 608-664-3750 or [nellickson@afccnet.org](mailto:nellickson@afccnet.org).

AFCC strives to accept proposals from as many presenters as possible while also limiting presentations to one per person. This is not always possible; however, presenters submitting multiple proposals with different co-presenters often results in the rejection of one of the proposals, and therefore the co-presenters.

You will be notified whether your proposal has been accepted by late June 2019.