Working with Divorcing Spouses: How to Help Clients Navigate the Emotional and Legal Minefield

CE Hours: 20

Course Introduction

Divorce can be devastating for the parties involved, their kids and their finances. This course is designed to provide therapists with the information they need to help their clients make sound choices at each step in the divorce process to effectively minimize the damage. Topics include choosing the right lawyer or mediator, dividing property, developing custody and parenting plans, and dealing with support issues.

Learning Objectives

The following content areas are covered:
- Divorce and the mission of the therapist
- Understanding the problem of mutuality
- Good divorce; bad divorce
- Managing the separation
- Law and divorce
- Understanding legal culture and the impact of mediation
- Helping your clients use lawyers and mediators effectively
- Supporting the client through Settlement negotiations
- Child support and alimony
- Dividing the property
- Helping clients manage the economic challenge of divorce
- Reaching the final agreement
- After the divorce: rebuilding lives and managing conflict

Course Content

The quiz is based on the book “Working with Divorcing Spouses: How to Help Clients Navigate the Emotional and Legal Minefield” by Sam Margulies PhD, Esq.

You should only take the quiz if you have purchased and read the book. To order the book, go to www.guilford.com or call 800.365.7006.