Blended Families: Navigating Change & Challenges WEBINAR



DATE + TIME

Wednesday, December 16, 2020
9:00 am – 12:15 pm

TARGET AUDIENCE

Social Workers, Counselors, Therapists, Interested Others Who Work with Blended Families

REGISTRATION

Free for Upstate AHEC Consortium Members // $30 for Non-Consortium Members

To register: www.upstateahec.org > CE Tab > Live Courses > December

A link and directions will be sent to all registered participants 1-2 days prior to the program to log into WebEx. Please ensure you have the correct email entered into our system when completing the registration process.

COURSE DESCRIPTION

Families today come in all shapes and sizes. Blended families are formed in a variety of ways and present numerous configurations. This workshop will address the following: what are blended families, the loss cycle and blended families, adjustments and challenges of blended families, and helping blended families create healthy families.

OBJECTIVES

At the conclusion of this program, participants will be able to:

- Define blended family configurations.
- Understand the loss cycle.
- List characteristics of blended families.
- Discuss the change and adjustments blended families often encounter.
- Describe typical concerns and issues of blended families.
- Discuss techniques to help blended family members navigate change.
- Identify characteristics of healthy versus unhealthy families.

ABOUT THE INSTRUCTOR

Francine (Cookie) Muscarella holds a Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Social Work from SUNY at Buffalo, New York. She has worked as a therapist with numerous populations to include: the mentally ill; active duty service members and their families; veterans and their families; adolescents and children; and families. She served as a supervisor and an agency director while working for the Department of Defense. She is the owner of Consulting Solutions & Associates, a consulting and training firm focusing on work place issues. As a trainer and consultant, she has worked for approximately 20 years developing and presenting curriculum and assisting organizations in employee development. She has taught numerous courses for the University of South Carolina, College of Social Work. She ran a catering business and a bed and breakfast as a hobby.

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CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDIT

Licensed Professional Counselors and Therapists: This program has been approved for **3.0 hours** of continuing education by SC AHEC under its accreditation by the SC Board of Examiners for Licensure of Professional Counselors, Marriage and Family Therapists and Psycho-Educational Specialists.

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