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David Mandel: Promoting the best outcomes for children in domestic and family violence cases



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As part of our **free webinar series** the Family Law Pathways Networks across Australia invite you to join a free webinar by leading expert David Mandel

Promoting the best outcomes for children: Using a perpetrator pattern-based approach in domestic violence cases

Domestic violence is one of the most challenging factors facing family courts. In this webinar, David Mandel, the creator of the internationally-known Safe & Together Model, will describe how a perpetrator pattern-based approach to domestic violence cases involving children can help with custody and access decisions. The Safe & Together Model, which is used by child protection systems in Australia, North America, and the United Kingdom, can help guide with evaluations and representation of children's best interests.

David hopes that his work ends the use of "failure to protect" mentality in domestic violence cases, and helps systems better work with complex cases involving mental health issues, substance misuse and domestic violence. Using an intersectional analysis, the Model is designed to be flexible and relevant across diverse situations.

David Mandel, MA, LPC, has almost 30 years' experience in the domestic violence and child welfare fields. David has developed the Safe & Together™ Model to improve case practice and cross system collaboration in domestic violence cases involving children. He has identified how a perpetrator pattern-based approach can improve our ability to help families and promote the development of domestic violence-informed child welfare systems. David and the Safe & Together Institute have worked with governments and NGOs in Canada, the US, Australia, Asia and United Kingdom, providing organisations and systems with a wide range of tools to partner with adult and child survivors, and intervene with perpetrators. David has written or co-written numerous journal articles, book chapters and white papers including his most recent ones on how perpetrator intervention program completion certificates can be dangerous for survivors, and on worker safety in the context of domestic violence. He was recently part of a recent series of Australian national research projects on intervening with perpetrators, and complex case practice.

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