



Collaborative Practice Niagara Member,

It is with great pleasure that we write to you to update you on the current state of Collaborative Practice Niagara. Our group has come a long way since our group retreat in June and we thought reflecting on the past half-year was the best way to measure our progress. We are on the brink of a paradigm shift that will excel our group forward into its next chapter. To embrace this next chapter, it made sense to our group to create committees to meet the new challenges in front of us:

- **Membership** – will focus on our criteria for member's participation and involvement. A clearly defined outline of who we are and what we do, to assist current members to promote our organization.
- **Training and programming** – will focus on providing value to our members, through training and skill development for our professionals.
- **Outreach** – will focus on growing our group by finding like-minded individuals with the goal to increase our number of members.
- **Process** – will focus on developing a road map for clients and process flow for our members.
- **Executive** – Will focus on the development of the organization's structure and our CTP process.

Our focus is on ensuring we get member engagement. That is where you, the members come in. We have sent out a schedule of events that allows us more opportunity to share our successes and challenges through Case Conference Focused Discussions, hone our skillset through Training and familiarize ourselves with our members through social and networking events.

To adapt ourselves and ensure members are getting value out of our membership we have decided to increase our fee for the 2018 year to \$200. This will allow us to reach our goals and initiate a program that will be beneficial to all members.

We are strongly tied to our mission to make Collaborative Practice Niagara to be one of the best Collaborative Practice Groups in the Province and we look forward to 2018 as we look for to a vibrant and successful Collaborative Practice Niagara.

We look forward to working with you all in 2018,

Collaborative Practice Niagara Executive
Gail Belchior
Colin Cook
Erik Grinbergs
Michael Maddelena
Margaret Opatovsky
Gillian Sheldrick



MEMBER APPLICATION FORM

NEW MEMBERSHIP

RENEWAL MEMBERSHIP

SEND COMPLETED FORMS WITH PAYMENT TO:

CONNECT FAMILY SOLUTIONS

120 EAST MAIN ST. SUITE 202

WELLAND, ON L3B 3W5

PHONE: 905-735-7622

EMAIL: gillian@connectfamilies.ca

FAX: 905-735-1939

MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO : COLLABORATIVE PRACTICE NIAGARA ANNUAL FEE: \$200.00

PROFESSION: Legal Financial Family / Parenting

Name _____

Address _____

City / Province _____ Postal Code _____

Telephone _____ Fax _____

E-mail _____ Website _____

Credentials _____

Years of Practice _____

I grant permission for the above information to appear on the CPN website.

YES NO

I have professional liability Errors and Omissions insurance coverage.

YES NO

I have completed:

Date:

Pending Date:

Level 1 CP training: YES NO

Level 2 CP training : YES NO

Team CP training: YES NO

Additional training attended for CP professional training. Please list courses and dates:

CP cases* participated in the past year:

None 1 to 5 6 to 10 11 to 15
16 to 20 21+

*CP cases must include a signed Participation Agreement

Total CP cases* in professional career: _____ Total Team Model CP cases*: _____

Suggestions for future training sessions / opportunities / comments:

CPN website profile information is up to date. YES NO

I grant permission to be contacted by any member of the Collaborative Practice Niagara group related to the group's mandate/purpose, including but not limited to notices, events, information and questions related to collaborative practice. I understand that my consent may be withdrawn at any time by contacting the membership chair.

YES NO

MEMBERSHIP DECLARATION

I acknowledge Collaborative Practice Niagara is a group of highly skilled diverse professionals, working together to build customized separation/divorce solutions, recognizing the value of team for the creation of customized separation/divorce solutions, ensuring that everyone's voice is heard, promoting fairness of process, dignity of the couple and family, and a lasting resolution.

I acknowledge membership with Collaborative Practice Niagara requires completion of Level 1 CP and Level 2 CP training. For new members, enrolment in a Level 1 CP course within 6 months of joining the group is also acceptable. All members must complete Level 2 CP training by the end of their second year of membership with Collaborative Practice Niagara.

In all collaborative files I agree to follow the principles of collaborative practice and the protocols as set out in our group's commonly-used Participation Agreement and as modeled by the OCLF (Ontario Collaborative Law Federation).

I acknowledge all active members are to be in good standing with their professional governing body and complete a minimum of 3 hours of continuing education per year dealing with collaborative practice. In addition, group members are expected to participate in the group as outlined below, earning five (5) credits per calendar year.

- Attending meetings (1 credit)
- Volunteering as a committee member (3 credits)
- Volunteering on the Executive or Chair of a committee (5 credits)
- Attend or lead a training seminar or event supporting collaborative practice (3 credits)
- Share continuing education with the group (1 credit)
- Contribute to marketing and outreach development using the CPN website, social media feeds, blog posts, content articles, etc. (2 credits)
- Contribute a Hot Tip or Bring It On at a meeting (1 credit)

By signing below, I acknowledge the requirements as laid out in the membership declaration.

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

What is your primary reason for joining the Collaborative Practice Niagara Group?

<input type="checkbox"/>	To socialize with other collaborative professionals
<input type="checkbox"/>	Professional Networking
<input type="checkbox"/>	Promotional value of presence on the group website
<input type="checkbox"/>	Continuing education
<input type="checkbox"/>	Access to materials and precedents
<input type="checkbox"/>	To give and receive referrals to participate in more CTP files
	Other _____