

## New Ways for Families®



### Licensing Benefits

- Permission to use the name, method and materials with clients
- Represent yourself as a "New Ways Approved Provider"
- Listing on our website so parents can find your services
- Subscription to monthly newsletter with featured articles, professional and parent resources, featured products, client handouts etc.
- Access to New Ways for Families Network of like-minded professionals for networking, sharing resources, case consultation etc.
- Access to free webinars and "Q&A" sessions with New Ways trainers (clinicians, lawyers and mediators)
- Collaboration from High Conflict Institute/New Ways for Families® in presenting to your community, court system, local bar association or other membership association
- Marketing templates available for customization for your New Ways for Families® services

#### LICENSING FAQs:

**Q: Must I wait for a court order before using New Ways™ with clients?**

A: No. You can work 1:1 with your client using the New Ways curriculum at your discretion, depending on your client's needs. If you see that your client could benefit from the skills, go for it!

**Q: Can I use New Ways with a client in the following situations if there will be no parent-child sessions and if the other parent is not also participating in New Ways?**

A: Yes! We want you to have the flexibility to work with your client on the New Ways skills so they can begin using the skills in their daily life and co-parenting relationship.

\*NOTE: However, if your court has specifically ordered "New Ways for Families counseling", then the parents and all professionals should adhere to the strict structure of the court-based counseling model. This depends on the court in each jurisdiction.

**Q: What if my client has a referral for "counseling" or a "high conflict class," but not specifically New Ways for Families®?**

A: No problem! You can decide if the curriculum will meet the needs of your client.

**Q: Can New Ways be used post-divorce, when there is no court involvement at all?**

A: Yes! It's all about teaching the 4 Big Skills to parents.

**Q: How can lawyers use New Ways? In other words, why should I be trained if I'm a lawyer?**

A: There are several ways lawyers can use New Ways: (1) Refer your client to a New Ways-trained provider so he/she can learn the skills on the front end of the case. The client will then be better prepared to work with you throughout the case, (2) Provide Pre-Mediation Coaching to your client, to prepare them for mediation or negotiation, (3) Reinforce the New Ways skills with your client through the case, preventing them from escalating and returning to high conflict behaviors. Read more: How New Ways Helps Attorneys.

**Q: Must I use the workbooks with clients?**

A: Yes, please do. The purpose of the curriculum is to provide structure to your sessions and to keep the client focused on the skills. By using the workbook to guide the client in learning and applying the skills, it keeps the client focused and provides specific exercises for application. Of course, you can always add to the use of the workbook by creating your own exercises.

**Q: Must I be licensed to use New Ways?**

A: Yes. Licensing gives you, the licensee, permission to use the curriculum with clients. This helps us maintain the integrity of the program.

**Q: Can I offer more than one program model?**

A: Yes! If you completed the 2-day training, you are qualified to offer any of the program models.

**Q: Can I incorporate the New Ways curriculum and workbook exercises into my existing services, such as general counseling, parenting coordination, parent education, collaborative divorce, divorce coaching etc?**

A: Yes! Our curriculum is designed to fit into any setting: family law, mediation, co-parenting education, coaching, conflict resolution etc.

**Q: Is this a reunification program?**

A: No. The curriculum is designed to be used at the beginning, middle or end of case, but before significant estrangement has occurred. While it's not designed for the "estranged" parent (as they likely require more intensive work that acknowledges the amount of time that has gone by and the level of relationship disruption that has occurred), the skills would be very beneficial for the parent who has not experienced alienation or estrangement and needs to work on supporting the reunification of the child and other parent. The skills and workbook exercises are designed to prevent alienating behaviors.