

GUIDELINES REGARDING ENROLLING IN THE TRANSPARENTING SEMINAR

When filing for Divorce in the Dublin Circuit, if the parties have minor children, both the Plaintiff AND Defendant are required to attend the TRANSPARENTING Seminar provided by:

Community Service Board of Middle Georgia
(Community Mental Health Center)
2121A Bellevue Rd, Building #2
Dublin, Georgia 31021

If either the Plaintiff or Defendant has an exceptional circumstance that would prevent them from attending the Seminar at the Community Service Board, it will be necessary for the person to obtain express permission from the Presiding Judge to attend another Seminar or participate in an On-line Seminar prior to their enrollment.

Information regarding a TRANSPARENTING Program from any service other than the Community Service Board must be provided to the Clerk of Court and they, in turn, will submit the information to the Presiding Judge for review. The Presiding Judge will notify the Clerk of Court whether or not the requested Program is approved.

For additional information, please refer to the following Attachments:

1. 2018 Schedule of Classes at Community Service Board of Middle Georgia
2. Brochure with Registration Form and directions

PRE-REGISTRATION

The “**TRANSPARENTING**” seminar gives a detailed look at the many stages of divorce, while providing suggestions and guidelines to help form a positive environment for you and your children.

TOPICS COVERED

- How divorce affects families.
- How children react to divorce generally and at specific ages.
- How parents can explain divorce to their children.
- The importance of parents’ continued love and support for children.

The “**TRANSPARENTING**” Seminar is a four-hour educational program approved by the **SUPERIOR COURTS OF THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL ADMINISTRATIVE DISTRICT**. This seminar fulfills the requirements set forth by the Eighth District Superior Courts for divorcing parents.

Attendance is *REQUIRED* of both parties, (you do not have to come to the class together) with children under the age of 18, in divorce, separate maintenance, legitimization, change of custody and visitation actions, within 30 days of service upon the defendant.

Participants may attend any seminar. However, you must pre-register to reserve a seat at the seminar. Please pre-register at least four (4) working days in advance of the seminar you wish to attend, in order to be assured that space will be available.

To pre-register, please call Marsha Williams, Program Secretary at 478-275-6811, Ext. 1145. Your Civil Action File Number is required for the certificate, so please have this information when you call. A \$35.00 fee is required from each participant and may be paid at the time of the class. You may pay by cash or money order.

*** NO PERSONAL CHECKS ACCEPTED***

A fee waiver is available for those who carry a current Medicaid card. If you believe you qualify, bring your current card so that we may make a copy.

IF YOU DO NOT WISH TO ATTEND THE SAME CLASS AS YOUR SPOUSE, PLEASE ADVISE US AT THE TIME THAT YOU PRE-REGISTER.

After pre-registration, your name will automatically be added to the list of participants, therefore, you will **not** be sent written notification.

Walk-ins are welcome, however, you cannot be guaranteed that a space will be available. Also, some classes could be cancelled due to non-participation, etc.

“**TRANSPARENTING**”
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REGISTRATION

Name-Last _____ First _____ Middle _____

Street Address or Post Office Box Number _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

CASE NO. (from your attorney or clerk’s office) _____

COUNTY WHERE ACTION IS FILED _____

HOME PHONE _____ WORK PHONE _____

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER _____

DATE OF SEMINAR _____ DUBLIN-LAURENS COUNTY LOCATION _____

PLEASE CHECK METHOD OF PAYMENT:

_____ Cash payment of \$35.00

_____ Money Order for \$35.00

_____ I am requesting a fee waiver (copy of Medicaid card attached).

DO not bring children to the seminar. They are not allowed in the class and childcare is not provided.



VETERANS
ADMINISTRATION
HOSPITAL

ALEXANDER DR

TROJANKOWSKI AVE

NEFF PL

Bldg.
#3

Community
Mental
Health
Center

District
Health

Public Health
Dept.

Bldg.
#4

Laurens Co.
Products &
Services
Bldg #5

Back Entrance
to VA Hospital

2121 Bellevue Road
Dublin, GA 31021

Note: Building #5 is not located on VA Center property. Turn in at Health Department and continue through parking lot and around to the left until you see Bldg. #4

BELLEVUE RD

MOORE STATION RD

WESTVIEW DR