

David Mandel (USA)
Workshops
February 2016
The Vibe Hotel,
Darwin Waterfront



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The Top End Family Law Pathways Network is pleased to announce two Darwin events by US trainer and consultant **David Mandel**, founder of the 'Safe & Together' Model (endingviolence.com).

Thursday 11 February 2016: 9 am—5 pm

\$65.00

Safe and Together: A child-centred approach to the intersection of domestic violence and child maltreatment

Domestic violence perpetrators create safety and risk concerns for children in a myriad of ways; for example by choosing to expose children to their violence against another parent, through direct physical maltreatment, by using a child as a weapon against the other parent or by interfering with another parent's substance abuse recovery.

The *Safe and Together* model is a field-tested, best practice approach through which child protection and other professionals can make good decisions for children impacted by family violence. Used in many US states with child welfare agencies, family violence advocates and others, the model provides a concrete framework for advancing practice, improving coordination and collaboration, and updating policy.

Founder David Mandel will provide an overview of the model and its diverse applications, which include child protection, domestic violence agencies, family support services, family law, courts, law enforcement and others. The overview includes 1) a presentation on the assumptions, principles and critical components of the model (see overleaf) and 2) an introduction to the concepts and skills associated with successfully intervening with domestic violence perpetrators and partnering with domestic violence survivors around the safety and well being of children.

Friday 12 February 2016: 9 am—5 pm

\$65.00

Safe Engagement and Assessment: Working with fathers and families to support safe, positive fathering

Fathers have a significant and long-lasting impact on the lives and development of their children. This is based in part on the choices he makes about how to interact with his child, and how he co-parents.

Despite this significance, child protection, family services and family violence practitioners often receive little training in engaging and assessing fathers. Communities often have few specific programs to refer fathers to. These gaps have major implications for children, mothers and fathers, especially for families already affected by racism, poverty and other forms of oppression.

David Mandel, drawing on his work with men and systems, will discuss the importance of setting high expectations for fathers to support safe and positive involvement in the lives of their children. David will explore the intersection of father engagement and family violence, and how our approach with fathers can transform the way we work with mothers and children.

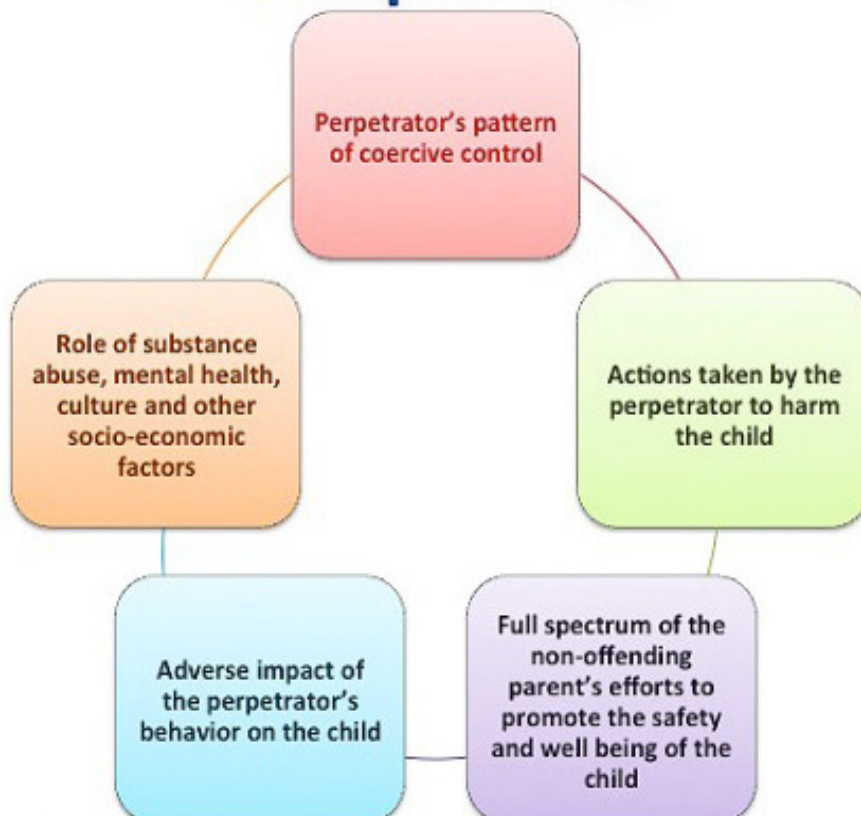
The Safe and Together Model—
Making Good Decisions for Children Impacted by Family Violence

Safe and Together™ Principles

- 1** Keeping child Safe and Together™ with non-offending parent
Safety Healing from trauma Stability and nurturance
- 2** Partnering with non-offending parent as default position
Efficient Effective Child-centered
- 3** Intervening with perpetrator to reduce risk and harm to child
Engagement Accountability Courts

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Safe and Together™ Critical Components



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About the Presenter: David Mandel, MA, LPC

With over 25 years' experience in the domestic violence field, David's international training and consulting focuses on improving systems' responses to domestic violence when children are involved. Through years of work with child welfare systems, he has developed the Safe and Together™ model to improve case practice and cross system collaboration in domestic violence cases involving children. He has also 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 his staff have consulted to United States' child welfare systems in a number of states including New York, Louisiana, New Jersey, Wisconsin, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Michigan, the District of Columbia, Vermont, Oregon and Ohio. This includes overseeing a statewide network of domestic violence consultants for the Connecticut Department of Children and Families; training domestic violence subject matter experts for Florida's Department of Children and Families; improving collaboration between child welfare and domestic violence advocates in Colorado; and the development of certified Safe and Together trainer network to support the roll out of differential response in all 88 Ohio county child welfare agencies.

David Mandel and Associates collaborates with domestic violence agencies such as the Florida Coalition Against Domestic Violence and the Ohio Domestic Violence Network. Their Safe and Together Model Advocacy Institute has helped domestic violence advocates from across the country improve their ability to collaborate with child welfare, and advocate for child welfare-involved adult and child domestic violence survivors. Their Safe and Together Core Practice Certification model is being implemented in the US and internationally.

David Mandel & Associates trainings have been delivered in the United Kingdom, Australia, the Republic of Ireland, Scotland and Singapore.

David has written journal articles on batterer's perceptions of their children's exposure to domestic violence and the intersection of domestic violence and child welfare practice. His chapter on "Batterers and the Lives of Their Children" was published in the Praeger Series **Violence Against Women in Families and Relationships**.

For further information go to www.endingviolence.com.

Who Should Attend?

Child welfare managers, supervisors and case officers; domestic violence advocates/managers/trainers/caseworkers; domestic violence perpetrator program specialists; relevant court personnel including judges and family consultants; family and child protection lawyers; mental health service providers who primarily work with trauma survivors or children who have experienced trauma; family/parenting support providers, law enforcement including prosecutors, probation, police etc.

Although desirable, it is not essential for participation in the second Workshop, to have also participated in the first Workshop.



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Registration

Please print this page, complete the details and email it as an attachment upon payment to: pathways@ntlac.nt.gov.au by 29 January 2016.

Thursday 11 February 9 am —5 pm: Safe and Together

Number of Registrations: _____ Cost (@\$65.00 per person): \$ _____

Friday 12 February 9 am —5 pm: Working with Fathers

Number of Registrations: _____ Cost (@\$65.00 per person): \$ _____

Total Cost (all above prices include GST): \$ _____

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Any Dietary requirements: (include type eg vegetarian/gluten-free, and how many attendees)

