

Child Inclusive Practice

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Give children a bigger voice more of the time: Children's and young people's experiences of the family law system

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This webinar discussed recent research on young people's experiences of the family law system and its implications for child-inclusive practice.



This webinar was held on Wednesday, 27 September 2018.

A full recording of this webinar is [available on our YouTube Channel](#).

The audio, transcript and presentation slides are available under Event Resources on this page.

A list of resources related to this topic will be available on our [post-webinar forum](#).

[A recent study](#) by the Australian Institute of Family Studies has highlighted the importance of listening to and supporting children and young people throughout the process of parental separation and their involvement in the family law

What is Child Inclusive Practice (CIP)?

- Origins
- Purpose

What is the process of Child Inclusive Dispute Resolution?

- A “process within a process”
- Model of CIP used in services run by Relationships Australia NSW

What are the benefits of Child Inclusive Dispute Resolution?

- For Children
- For Parents
- For the FDR process

Where can CIP be used;

- In Family Relationship Centre's
- In more therapeutic setting such as The Anchor
- In private FDR cases
- In legally assisted FDR
- In Interdisciplinary Collaborative Practice

When is CIP most successful?

- Elements that enhance a positive child inclusive process
- Working partnership between FDRP and Child Consultant

Where to go for further information?

- *“It is the parents who will continue to play a pivotal role in each child’s development... Even good quality interventions represent but a fleeting experience during this time of enormous change in the lives of all members of the family... In the long term, lawyers, mediators and counsellors will fade from view, leaving children in the care of their separated parents.”*

- Lawrie Maloney