Washington Chapter AFCC Newsletter

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Meet your 2025 AFCC Washington Chapter Board President



David Goldman, MS, MAEd, LMHC

Dear Esteemed Members and Board of the Washington State Chapter of AFCC,

Happy Spring 2025! As we usher in 2025, I want to take a moment to reflect on the extraordinary accomplishments we achieved together in 2024 and to share my excitement for the opportunities that lie ahead.

I am especially thrilled to be serving as President in 2025. First and foremost, I extend my heartfelt gratitude to each of you—our dedicated members and committed board members. Your passion, expertise, and tireless efforts continue to strengthen our mission of improving the lives of children and families through education, collaboration, and innovation.

The entire Board wishes to especially thank Kathleen Royer, as our Past President, for her exceptional leadership and fortitude during the COVID years of 2020-2024.

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Come join us for a 10th Anniversary birthday cake.

We will celebrate this year with all of our members & friends that helped to make our AFCC Chapter one of the best in the nation. We want to take this opportunity to say thanks to our Founding AFCC Chapter members listed below. We honor them this year!

We are excited to see you all! Dana Dean Doering, ARNP Conference Co-chair



AFCC Resources for Best Practices: Getting to know what's there!

Please get to know the great resources on the <u>AFCC National website</u>:

Webinar Series on Parent-Child Contact Problems

Center for Excellence

Resist, Refuse, Resolve...Turning the Corner on Parent Child Contact Problems

Our chapter is proud to showcase distinguished scholars, Dr. Leslie Drozd and Dr. Barbara Fidler, experts on Parent Child Contact Problems (PCCPs).

They will teach assessment and intervention strategies to mental health and legal professionals on how to safely, swiftly, and effectively intervene in these challenging cases. Dr. Drozd and Dr. Fidler will also be presenting case studies to integrate their teaching concepts in an advanced seminar format.

Caroline Plummer MS LMHC Conference Co-chair



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She not only led us through terrible times, but provided the leadership that built a great new Board of Directors during that time that allowed us to come out of the pandemic swinging and ready to work together. Thank you Kathleen!

One of the highlights of 2024 was our incredible annual conference. Thanks to your hard work and participation, we hosted an event that provided cutting-edge insights and professional development and fostered meaningful connections across professional disciplines. The feedback was overwhelmingly positive, and it is clear that the impact of this gathering will be felt for years to come.

Looking ahead, we are thrilled to announce that final prep is underway for our 2025 conference on April 25th. With an exciting theme and a lineup of renowned speakers, we are confident it will be another landmark event for our chapter.

As we are so close to our annual conference, I am sending a reminder to please register for the conference. We hope to have as many members as possible in attendance. I am very excited for this conference and to get to experience the fruits of the labor of our INCREDIBLE conference committee!

In addition to our conferences, 2024 was marked by impactful programs, workshops, and initiatives that expanded our reach and influence. We strengthened partnerships, enhanced resources for our members, and supported ongoing professional growth in our field. None of this would have been possible without your dedication and collaboration.

I encourage each of you to stay engaged, continue sharing your insights, and invite others to join our community. Together, we can build on our successes and make an even greater difference in the lives of families we serve.

Thank you for being an integral part of this journey. I am honored to serve as your president and look forward to all we will accomplish in the year ahead. Wishing you a happy, healthy, and prosperous 2025!

David Goldman, MS, MAEd, LMHC President, Washington State Chapter of AFCC

Parenting Coordination Update: State Stakeholders Meetings

Monthly PC Work Group Zoom calls will continue as we outreach to our PC Stakeholders across the state. We encourage AFCC members to join this monthly PC discussion group.

Time: 4th Fri @ 9 AM. Email <u>info@wa-afcc.org</u> to enroll.

Our goals are to enhance Best Practice for PC's in Washington State. We are focusing on implementation of the 2019 AFCC Practice Guidelines for Parenting Coordination. A Model Order of Appt is in the works—and being shared with PC stakeholders across the state.

Please join us as we educate and outreach across the state.

Honoring our Founders

We want to acknowledge the wonderful folks who dedicated many years to the Founding of our chapter. Their leadership and financial contributions to the growth and sustainability makes our WA State Chapter one of the finest & fittest chapters in the USA!

Founding Board Members: 2011 Officers:

Daniel Rybicki, President Margo Waldroup, Vice President/Treasurer Jaclin Natario-Mairs, Secretary Board Members: Camille Schaefer Jennifer Wheeler Dana Dean Doering Natalie Novick Brown

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