

FLORIDA ACADEMY OF COLLABORATIVE PROFESSIONALS
MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR ACCREDITING
COLLABORATIVE ATTORNEYS

A Collaborative Attorney shall meet all of the following criteria to become accredited by the Florida Academy of Collaborative Professionals (FACP):

1. Shall have been practicing law in the State of Florida for a minimum of three (3) years and be a member in good standing of The Florida Bar.

2. Shall have attended and completed at least one fourteen (14) hour Introductory Interdisciplinary Collaborative training that meets the International Academy of Collaborative Professionals' (IACP) Minimum Standards for Introductory Interdisciplinary Collaborative Practice Trainings.

3. Shall have completed within the three (3) years prior to the accreditation application being submitted a minimum of an additional three (3) hours of training in the ethics of working as a Collaborative attorney, which training is consistent with the FACP Ethics Standards.

4. Shall have completed a one and one-half (1½) hour training on domestic violence (intimate partner violence) in Collaborative Practice.

5. Shall have completed an aggregate of fifteen (15) additional hours of training on any of the following subjects in addition to the Introductory Interdisciplinary Collaborative training: interest-based negotiation, communication skills, conflict resolution, advanced mediation skills, advanced Collaborative training or Family Systems Theory. Such training may be presented by the FACP, the IACP, a practice group located in Florida, the Association of Family and Conciliation Courts or its Florida chapter, the Florida Dispute Resolution Center, a Florida court or a training otherwise approved by FACP.

6. Shall have completed a forty-hour Florida Supreme Court approved family mediation course or its equivalent in another state. This mediation requirement need not be met if the applicant has successfully completed fifteen (15) Collaborative matters as part of a professional Collaborative team where a Participation Agreement and a settlement agreement were signed by the parties.

7. Shall have experience as a Collaborative attorney in at least five (5) successfully completed Collaborative matters as part of a professional Collaborative team where a Participation Agreement and a settlement agreement were signed by the parties.

8. Shall be a member in good standing of a Collaborative practice group in Florida and be a member of the FACP and the IACP.

9. Shall meet the FACP Ethics Standards.