



## Proudly Presents: **KIDS TALK, WE LISTEN— DEEPENING THE CONVERSATION**

**When:** December 1, 2023

**Time:** 9:00 am to 12:15 pm: morning session  
1:15 pm to 3:30 pm: afternoon session

**Where:** Zoom

**Cost:** Free to existing HTC Roster Members  
Full day \$325 (\$275 early bird rate until November 3) (15% discount for HTC Society Members\*)  
Half day \$200 (no early bird rate) (15% discount for HTC Society Members\*)

### **MORNING SESSIONS**



#### **Communicating Across Brain Differences by Dr. Chantel Prat**

Chantel Prat is a Professor at the University of Washington with appointments in the Departments of Psychology, Neuroscience, and Linguistics, and at the Institute for Learning and Brain Sciences. Her interdisciplinary research investigates how variable brain designs combine with our lifetime of experiences to shape the unique way each person understands the world and operates in it. She is a recipient of a Pathway to Independence Award from the National Institute of Health, and the Tom Trabasso Young Investigator Award from the Society of Text and Discourse. Her first book, *The Neuroscience of You*, is being translated into five languages, and was featured in *The Next Big Idea Club*. Prat speaks internationally at events like The World Science Festival, has appeared on PBS, National Public Radio, and C-SPAN, and has been featured in a variety of popular written media including *Nature*, *Scientific American*, *Rolling Stone*, *Popular Mechanics*, and *Travel + Leisure*.



#### **Ontario Alienation Cases: A retrospective study of children, parents, lawyers and counsellors by Dr. Rachel Birnbaum**

Dr. Birnbaum will be presenting the findings of a retrospective study of children, parents, lawyers and counsellors involved in Ontario cases from 2010-2022 where the court made a finding of parental alienation. In many of these cases the courts reversed custody and ordered some form of counselling, though in some the courts only ordered counselling. The study highlights the complexity of these cases and provides a window into how parents and children experience the court process years later and what challenges, cautions, and considerations parent's lawyers and clinicians raise when working with these families. The study also highlights the importance of hearing from children and young adults even in these complex cases as it allows them to have a voice, not a choice.

## AFTERNOON SESSION



### Panel Discussion—Hearing from Children

**Bev Churchill**  
HTC Reports

**Michael Zimmerman**  
Legal Services for Children

**Leanne Harder**  
Section 211 Reports

#### REGISTRATION FEES: (please check one)

##### FULL DAY EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION—prior to November 3, 2023

☐ HTC Roster Rate: **no charge**

☐ Regular Rate: **\$275**

☐ HTC Society Member Rate: **\$233.75**

##### REGULAR AND HALF DAY REGISTRATION – November 4 to November 24, 2023

☐ HTC Roster Rate: **no charge**

☐ Full Day Regular Rate: **\$325**

☐ Morning Only Rate: **\$200**

☐ Afternoon Only Rate: **\$200**

☐ HTC Society Member Rate: **\$276.25**

\*NOTE: Must be a society member in good standing before October 6, 2023

**Cancellation Policy:** There will be no refunds for cancellations received after November 17, 2023

#### REGISTRANT INFORMATION:

FULL NAME

OCCUPATION

COMPANY

TELEPHONE

EMAIL

**Credits:** Law Society of BC CPD of 5 hours pending | Certificates available upon request.

**Note:** This course satisfies the CPD 2024 renewal requirements for HTC Roster members.

Please submit payment and this registration to [hearthechildsociety@gmail.com](mailto:hearthechildsociety@gmail.com)  
no later than November 24, 2023.