#### FREE VIRTUAL CLE/CEU

# FAMILY TIME (VISITATION) IN CINC CASES

JULY 20, 2023 12 - 1 PM

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When appropriate for children, frequent family time can help maintain healthy connections and lessen the negative impact of separation for both the child and the family. The phrase "family time" is utilized based on the premise that the term "visitation" does not adequately communicate the intimacy and importance of the parent/child relationship. Instead of a one-size-fits-all family time plan, contact should be specifically tailored to meet the individual needs of the child and family involved in the CINC case. Dr. Amy Dickson of the LSU Health Sciences Center will offer insight into family time from a trauma-informed lens and attachment framework. She will inform us about options for maximizing the quality of family time and factors for consideration.











#### **Learning Objectives:**

- Understand the court's role in family time planning
- Learn about the intersection of trauma and attachment with family time
- Be able to identify ways to hold family time that will benefit the child and family

## AGENDA & SCHEDULE

12:00-12:10 pm The role of the court in the family time plan

12:10-12:30 pm The impact of trauma and attachment as they relate to

family time

12:30-12:50 pm Family time considerations & options

12:50-1:00 pm Questions & Discussion

### **SPEAKERS**



# Amy Dickson, PsyD, Infant Team Director, Psychology Section Deputy Chief, LSU Health Sciences Center

Dr. Amy Dickson is a Clinical Psychologist and Associate Professor at Louisiana State University's Medical School in New Orleans where she has been on faculty in the Department of Psychiatry since 1999. At LSUHSC Dr. Dickson is the Director of the LSUHSC Infant Team which treats children under the age of 6 years in the foster care system in several parishes in Louisiana. This program supports two child court teams in the state and Dr. Dickson consults to local child protection offices.Dr. Dickson co-directs the Harris Infant Mental Health training program with Dr. Joy Osofsky, a year-long intensive training program teaching clinicians infant mental health. She is a Child-Parent Psychotherapy trainer and is part of several learning collaboratives teaching other mental health professionals about infant mental health and Early Childhood Court. Dr. Dickson is part of a multidisciplinary team bringing the Early Childhood Supports and Services program back to Louisiana which will support all families with young children throughout the state. Dr. Dickson is the Child Coordinator of LSUHSC's APPIC-approved psychology predoctoral internship program, she teaches medical students, social work trainees, psychology trainees, and child psychiatry residents, and she is the Deputy Director of the Psychology Section at the medical school. Dr. Dickson treats a wide variety of adults and children, though she specializes in trauma work and infant mental health and trains locally and nationally in these areas.



## Mark Harris, J.D., Executive Director Pelican Center for Children and Families

Mark Harris is the Executive Director of the Pelican Center for Children and Families. He formerly served the Louisiana Supreme Court as the Project Coordinator for the Louisiana Court Improvement Program for 15 years and has been formally recognized by the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services for outstanding efforts in promoting the safety, permanency, and well-being of Louisiana's at-risk children. Mark Harris previously served as the Adoption Opportunities Grant Coordinator for Orleans Parish. He holds BA degrees in English and History from Tulane University and a JD from Loyola University.



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