





### Why is repartnering with children so challenging?

“Beyond co parenting leadership issues, couples in stepfamilies swim in a sea of divided loyalties, which even experienced therapists sometimes miss.”

William Doherty PhD

**Outcomes:** Participants can expect to

- Gain insights into the stepfamily as a unique family form, and the implications of this for practice
- Take away creative ideas for working with stepfamilies
- Link empowering theoretical approaches with practice

### Who Should Attend?

Case Managers, Chaplains, Counsellors, Family Therapists, Helpline Coordinators, Maternal and Child Health Nurses, Mental Health Professionals, Ministers, Psychologists, Social Workers, Students in related fields.

### Registration:

- \$140 Early Bird (by 10 September)
- \$160 (after 10 September)
- \$85 Students

Venue: Drummond Street Relationship Centre  
195 Drummond Street, Carlton

Time: 9.30am - 4.30pm

### About the Trainer

#### Irene Gerrard BSW, MAASW, MVAFT

Irene is a couple and family therapist whose innovative work with stepfamilies, exploring their needs in therapeutic and group settings, spans two decades. Irene conducts a clinical practice which provides counselling for individuals, couples and families together with supervision for professionals.

Irene has gained extensive family therapy experience in a range of senior positions within community agencies and is currently Counselling Supervisor at Doncare. She has lived in a stepfamily since 1980, and she and her partner have six children between them from their former marriages.

Irene is a senior consultant and trainer with Stepfamilies Australia, and has been actively involved since 1983. Her work with Stepfamilies Australia has included developing and conducting specialist courses and workshops for stepfamilies and professionals, and co-authoring the group Leaders Manual Making Stepfamilies Work, published by Stepfamilies Australia



### Registration Form - Repartnering With Children

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I wish to attend the Repartnering with Children workshop on Friday 15 October, 2010.

I enclose Registration of \$140 (early bird rate, before 10 September, 2010) / \$160 (full rate) / \$85 (student), inclusive of GST, lunch and handouts.

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