

Maine Collaborative Law Alliance

Mission statement:

To establish and encourage the practice of collaborative law in Maine as an alternative to litigation.

The Maine Collaborative Law Alliance minimum standards for collaborative practitioners:

Minimum standards for collaborative lawyers:

1. Membership in good standing in the Maine Bar.
2. At least twelve hours of basic collaborative training.

Minimum standards for collaborative mental health practitioners (coaches):

1. A clinical professional, whose license requires an advanced degree, (master's level or greater) in a recognized clinical mental health field. If the professional is not licensed in the State of Maine, the jurisdiction where the professional is licensed must require continuing education and must be regulated by a governing body under a code of ethics.
2. At least twelve hours of basic collaborative training.

Minimum standards for collaborative financial practitioners:

1. Professional license or designation in good standing in one of the following: CFP – certified financial planner; CPA – certified public accountant; or JD – juris doctor AND have earned the CDFA - Certified Divorce Financial Analyst- designation.
2. At least twelve hours of basic collaborative training.

We encourage anyone who does not currently meet our minimum standards for their profession to join us and participate in our monthly meetings on the condition they will endeavor to meet the minimum standards with a 12-month period.

