• Increase your knowledge about financial planning
• Improve your ability to make informed decisions
Collaborative Divorce
Lesson Objectives

- Know what Collaborative Divorce is and how the process works
- Understand how Collaborative Divorce differs from other divorce options
- Learn about the role of the Financial Neutral
What is Collaborative Divorce?

- Option for divorcing couples without going to court
- Collaborative Participation Agreement
- Financial Neutral and Mental Health Professional
How Does it Work?

- Face to face participatory meetings
- Gathering and sharing data
- Emails to all parties
- Assigned tasks
- Selection of a mutually acceptable solution
What are the Benefits?

How does Collaborative Divorce differ from Litigation or Mediation?

- Fosters more sustainable solutions
- Addresses families’ needs holistically
- Diminishes power imbalances
The Role of the Financial Neutral on Collaborative Divorce Teams

- Impartial facilitator
- Assist in gathering financial data
- Assist in understanding implications of agreements
- Provide guidance for couple-generated options
- Tax effects of various property division options
- Financial projections
- Realistic budget for life after divorce
Summary

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