#### Procedure:

- Prior to the accompanied visitation, both parents are spoken to individually.
- The dates for the visitations are agreed upon with both parents.
- During a final discussion, it is attempted to find a long term solution together with both parents.

#### Costs:

- First and final discussion: 44 € per parent/hour
- Accompanied visitation: 44 € per parent/hour
- Accompanied transfer: 44 € per parent/transfer

The involved parents have to bear the cost for any occurring travel expenses.

## Additional programs by RAINBOWS:

- RAINBOWS-groups for children after the separation or divorce of their parents
- "Saying goodbye" Mentoring after the death of a loved one
- Coaching § 95
- RAINBOWS summer-camps
- Course of instruction Separation/Loss
- Training course RAINBOWS pedagogics
- Workshops for specific persons



# Accompanied Visitation

Professional chaperonage for children during visitation

Considerable relief for adults



#### Accompanied visitation

It is easiest for children to master a separation or divorce, if they stay in regular contact with both parents, because a child needs a mother and a father.

Of course it is difficult for parents to handle the new situation by themselves. The goal of RAINBOWS is to support children as well as parents in accepting their new situation.

### Relief for parents

Through accompanied visitation, parents can stay in contact with their children. These visitations between the child and the parent who lives separately, happen on neutral ground. Accompanied visitation is however just a temporary solution. It helps to establish a new contact between the child and the parent who lives separately. For the best interests of the child, parents should try to find a way to enable the child to stay in contact with both of them.

## Flexible time management – professional mentoring

The RAINBOWS-facilitators help affected parents and children to find lasting solutions for visitations.

The time for the accompanied visitation depends completely on the needs of the family members and can be held any day of the week and any time.

The RAINBOWS-facilitators are experienced in working with families and children after the separation from a loved one. They

are psychosocially trained and therefore perfectly suited for this task.

## **Bylaws**

When a child is living with only one parent, the child and the other parent have the right to stay in contact. How this contact shall be arranged is up to the parents (and their child).

If no agreement is reached, the court can decide on visitation procedures, according to the needs and wishes of the child, if motioned for by either a parent or a child over the age of 14.

If it is necessary for the good of the child, the court can file a motion for an adequate person, for example a RAINBOWS-facilitator, to help with the visitations.

"The I both of you are still my parents. Even if the one I'm living with is taking care of me, I still need the other one!"

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