

## **Translation into English**

### **Prevention and the parenting support.**

The Prevention and the parenting support action provide by Paroles de Famille, helps the French Guianese families, with among them a lot of young parents.

That action aims to reinforce parenting skills, to break isolation et upgrade kids' and parents' welfare.

The ward offers several practical workshops, like coffee between parents, parenting trainings to reflect on how to be a parent and what it is to be one.

For the youngsters, workshops about their emotions, relationships, addictions or screentime are on the menu.

The personnel have been fairly trained in order to give to the families the best support of all.

All of this without any form of judgement and with the embracement of all cultures existing in French Guiana.

Paroles de Famille works with other organizations in order to deliver useful and accessible actions towards everyone.

### **Meeting place.**

The meeting place provide by Paroles de Famille is a neutral, secured, and temporary place, allowing a kid to see the parent he does not live with all the time, or a estranges grand-parent or anyone else with whom the relationship is strained, broken or just difficult.

This place helps families maintaining or taking contact again in excellent circumstances by always putting children first. It welcomes separated parents, kids who does not want to see one of his parents, grand-parents, or siblings from another marriage or from a recomposed family.

## **Family mediation.**

The family mediation is a space where dialogue is structured directed by a neutral professional, allowing the restoration of communication, to handle families' conflicts and rebuild the family bond.

This action can be initiate by a family judge or a children judge or by the families themselves. It was conceived especially for families going through difficulties: separated parents, divorcing parents, parents and teenagers who can speak together without fighting, grand-parents who would like to see and have a relationship with their grand-kids.

Paroles de Famille adapts the family mediation to the local environment with :

- A respectful and cross-cultural approach of the families
- A remote mediation (via phone or video conference) for families who are geographically isolated or are unable to move.

A territorial presence with a reception in Matoury is currently delivered but with in mind in the future to do as well in Macouria, Kourou and eventually Saint-Georges.