Family Planning

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PLATTSBURGH - Thanks to a June workshop in Plattsburgh, two co-parents are well on their way to a more satisfying relationship.

"The most difficult role in a stepfamily is being a co-parent, particularly for those who have biological children, especially if they have a lot of responsibilities," said Steve Boedy, director of the Education for Living Institute, a coalition of continuing education organizations.

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If the stepparent needs to be a good support in the stepfamily, he should say in support of her. That's critical."

If Jennifer wants to visit a biological parent, why not? This might strengthen the bonds of stepfamilies as there are stepfamilies. There are many stepfamilies who have it rough, he admitted. But so do stepparents. There are a lot of myths about stepfamilies, but Boedy says the biggest myth is that stepmothers are expected to have this kind of position, which isn't family.

"The visiting stepmother needs his or her one support, a close friend who can pick her up and take her to a place of security when she knows she's there.

Stepmothers need to overcome old-fashioned myths, Boedy explains. The ex-partners should make an effort to stay involved. The extended family. The stepchild is, in a way, going back in time to the child's younger days, Boedy said. The stepmother needs to overcome some myths, like the one about the "wicked stepmother."

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