

**FAMILY
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MEDIATION**

**Serving
Otsego County
Parents and Children**

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**Your Family
Your Issues
Your Solutions**

**A Contract Program with the
State of New York
Unified Court System
Sixth Judicial District**

What Is It?

Mediation is an informal negotiating and problem solving meeting directed by professionally trained and supervised, totally impartial mediators.

Mediation lets people speak for themselves and make their own decisions.

For Whom?

Family Court Mediation is for people who have been unable to work through a problem on their own or people seeking the assistance of the court to decide their issues. Anyone wishing to negotiate in good faith can benefit; can solve their problems in private with or without the assistance of attorneys or other advocates, and without the pressure to prove their case.

Please pass this brochure on to someone who may benefit.

Parent Topics

Living Arrangements, Housing and Other People, Child Care and Safety Plans, Extended Family Members, Timesharing, Routine, Holidays, School Vacation Periods, Trips, Health and Medical Responsibilities, Spiritual Guidance, Meals and Other Food, Clothing, Equipment and Toys, Discipline Plans, Allowances, Transportation, Auto and Insurance for Teens, Higher Education, Private School, Lessons, Camp, Life Insurance, Relocation, Renegotiation

Why?

Mediations are designed to promote understanding and tolerance, so that restructuring families can work together without the need to prove fault or guilt about the past. Parenting plans can be designed and written by families using mediation to cover all the topics important to the family. Final court processing of the written agreement can then cover the topics important to the State of New York.

How To Start

People can refer themselves or be referred by others and the key to success is voluntary participation. No one can be forced to attend or to agree. Simply call our office with the names, addresses and telephone numbers of the people involved.

Court Language

Legal Custody, Physical Custody, Primary Residence, Visitation, Child Support, Support Collection Unit, Periodic Review, Income Execution