Supporting your children through mediation

Law requires that parents prioritise the needs of their children during mediation. This means that we want to reach agreements that ensure children are safe and that they have a meaningful relationship with each parent where possible.



Confidentiality

Information shared in mediation will not be disclosed, unless required by law.

This is a no cost service.

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FAMILY MEDIATION

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First Nations Family Mediation

Our model of mediation establishes an environment of physical, emotional, spiritual and cultural safety that is client-centred and traumainformed.

We empower and support families towards positive parenting, coordinate care in the best interest of children and aim to ensure resolution of property and financial matters.



Our staff

The staff at Ebenezer are fullycertified Family Dispute Resolution Practitioners. Each practitioner is experienced in working within the Aboriginal and CaLD community.

How many sessions will I need?

There is no set number of mediation sessions. If decisions are not made in the first session, there will be an opportunity for further sessions. Typically, these last three hours.



Mediation process

The following is a general guide to the mediation process - we can be flexible. For more detail, please see Ebenezer's Family Mediation Process infopage - please contact us to request a copy.

We begin with individual sessions to hear your story. This may lead to joint sessions, either in the room together or in seperate rooms if necessary. From here we negotiate the best solution for each unique situation.

Is mediation a legal process?

No. Our staff cannot give any legal advice. In most cases, Family Dispute Resolution (family mediation) must be attended before applying to a court for an order relating to a child. We are able to issue certificates for court.

Our practitioners can assist parties to formalise agreements made during mediation so that they may become legally binding.



Reconciliation

Ebenezer can provide in-house support, or refer to other services for couples who may benefit from counselling.