

NFM Family Mediation Training – Learning Outcomes

Module 1 – distance learning minimum of 20 hours

The purpose of this module is to introduce you to a wide range of theory, knowledge and legislation that you will begin to apply in the practical session, but these will also become an integral part of your practice as a mediator.

- Mediation principles, models and theories
- Understanding conflict
- Emotional impact of divorce on adults and children
- Safeguarding and ensuring safe mediation practice
- Legal context of working with children
- Working with diversity
- Skills and qualities of a family mediator

Module 2 – 6 x half days – online teaching

Mediating Children's Issues

- To understand and practice the principles and process of mediation and the role of the mediator in assessment and child issues mediation
- To understand and practice the key methods and techniques employed in family mediation and demonstrate ability in a simulated environment
- To be able to conduct an assessment meeting in a simulated environment
- To demonstrate ability to practice child mediation in a simulated environment
- To work towards practising competently and ethically as a family mediator
- To consider and understand the difference between mediating face to face and remote mediation

Module 3 – distance learning minimum of 20 hours

The purpose of this module is to extend your understanding of mediation by introducing you to the challenges of working with finance and property. This module builds substantially on the core skills you have already learned, and the focus you have begun to develop on children, but it will also broaden your legal knowledge base and ability to manage the stages of the mediation process.

- Legal Aid and family mediation
- Legal context of financial mediation

Module 4 – 4 x half days & 1 x full day – online teaching

Mediating Property and Financial Issues

- To understand practice and process involved in property and finance and AIM mediation.
- To have some sense of the legal context of mediation especially in relation to options that may be available and unmarried couples.
- To demonstrate an ability to handle conflict on financial matters and move people through developing options and reaching agreement
- To be able to prepare financial schedules and agreement document