Mediation and Dispute Resolution Skills Workshop

Two-day Training

Dates: Friday, May 4, 2012 AND Friday, May 11, 2012

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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Note: CLE credits can be applied for as a result of this workshop
Mediation is a confidential process that assists people in resolving conflicts or disputes. The mediation session offers people the opportunity to create their own mutually agreeable solutions with the assistance of a trained, impartial third party, a mediator. The mediator does not make decisions for the parties or determine who is right or wrong. Mediation is not a court hearing or a counseling session. Neither lawyers nor witnesses are needed, although, lawyers may attend to advise their clients.

Mediation sessions are informal, structured discussions to help clarify the issues and move towards agreement. Parties are given the opportunity to listen to each other and to speak without interruption. If an agreement is reached, it may be written down and signed by the parties. Before participating in a mediation session, the parties should think about possible solutions to the problem.