

Make a difference – as a Mediator working with Families

Would you like to learn the skills of Mediation? Would you like to make a difference?

A trained mediator is able to offer alternatives to those in conflict, and assist them in finding agreement instead of reverting to a Court process or more destructive techniques. Family Mediation NI (FMNI) will deliver a further Family Mediation Foundation Training course in Northern Ireland, commencing in September 2013. This course is approved by the College of Mediators (UK), and is also approved by Mediators' Institute of Ireland, and ensures reciprocity across Ireland. It also complies with the European Union Directive on mediation. This course is provided by FMNI's own team of experienced trainers.

The Mediator is an independent person who facilitates alternatives to conflict whilst remaining impartial and non-judgemental. As a service provider, FMNI specialises in Family Mediation and in particular mediation between couples who are separating or divorcing.

Due to the complex nature of conflict and the very real impact this has on people's lives, the Mediator needs to have the requisite knowledge, skills, experience and self-awareness.

The 2013 programme will be delivered in Belfast and will consist of 12 days of intensive training and approximately 20 hours of reading and preparation.

Please note there will be a selection process, as numbers are restricted to 18 trainees on this course.

Dates:

Module 1	20 & 21 September	Module 2	04 & 05 October
Module 3	18 & 19 October	Module 4	01 & 02 November
Module 5	22 & 23 November	Module 6	06 & 07 December

COST: **£2100** – (includes: training materials, catering, family mediation certification)

AIMED AT: those involved in social science, family law, education, couple counselling, family work, mediation or conflict transformation

- who wish to become professional and accredited Mediators specialising in family and separating couples for whom this is the necessary first stage in a continuous process of professional development and accreditation in Family Mediation or
- > those professionals who wish to add to their skills base in the area of family mediation.

To receive an application pack, please contact:

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Closing date for receipt of applications: 30 August 2013