

Mediator assisted conversations with your family about you or your relative's care.

A mediator can advise you about ways to resolve issues like care or financial arrangements. This may include mediation with family members. It is very important that you disclose all the information you have about all of your or your relative's property and finances to the other parties and the mediator. This includes any benefits, financial or otherwise received from an elderly or disabled relative. Non-financial benefits may include rent-free accommodation and use of other assets like cars etc.

You have chosen the shorter, simpler path to resolving conflict with its damaging consequences. Drawn out conflict damages you and all your relationships.

This brochure contains a checklist. It is designed to help you prioritise relevant aspects of your family dispute, and also to prepare a short statement about what brings you to mediation. From the list, choose only those items that are currently concerning you or causing conflict. Think how you will explain these concerns to mediator in your short opening statement.



What to bring.

- ✓ Agreement to mediate
- ✓ Confidentiality agreement
- ✓ All relevant information including a list of your or your relative's income assets, bank statements, superannuation records, and valuations
- ✓ What you want to say to the mediator about what brings you to the meeting
- ✓ An understanding of your legal position having sought advice

You have chosen dispute resolution rather than lengthy wait times for costly court proceedings.

Do you need help resolving elder care issues for you or a relative?



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Private checklist for your personal preparation for the mediation

What do you and other family members need to consider when deciding on a plan for your relative's care and future living and financial arrangements?



Financial contribution



Non-financial contribution including caring duties



Contribution to extended family's wellbeing including facilitating planning and relationships



Planning and organising support from government and other agencies



Maintaining contact and emotional support



Age & state of health



Personal resources



Physical & mental capacity for employment



You or your relative's health and lifestyle needs now and in the short and long term future. This includes evidence of Aged Care Assessment Team assessments and medical diagnoses.



Other responsibilities



Eligibility for superannuation or pension



Accommodation issues for you and your family?

Short opening statement
