Iowa Aging Issues Mediation Project
Targeting Family Conflicts
Our Presentation

- What is Mediation
- What do Mediators Do?
- Aging Application
- OWA Experience
- Your Application
Million Americans 65+

- 2002: 35.5
- 2012: 43.1
- 2040 (Estimated): 79.7
1 in every 7 Americans is 65+
By 2030, 1 in 5 Americans will be 65+
1 Of every 5 Iowans is over 60
Aging can be overwhelming
Or Frightening
But Always Brings Choices
Decisions impact families
Priorities May Differ
People are put in the middle
Conflicts can be explosive
Sometimes ending in court rooms
The Litigation Process
The Mediation Process
Mediation provides a better process
Mediation has advantages:

- Cost effective
- Time efficient
- Flexible
- Confidential
- Successful
The mediator provides leadership
The Mediator does not make decisions
Helps design sessions
Helps arrange supports
Provides structure for meetings
Focuses on issues
Supports full participation
Encourages positive attitudes
Supports looking at options
The family finds the solution
The Iowa Experience
Mediation fits Iowa issues

The Mission of the Iowa Department on Aging is to develop a comprehensive, coordinated and cost-effective system of long term living and community support services that help individuals maintain health and independence in their homes and communities.

Promoting the understanding and use of mediation in Iowa
Mediation 101
Elder Law Mediation Training
Commitment to joint growth
The Committee
Cross Training
AAA and IDA Goals

Flexible
Sustainable
Practical
Collaborative
Affordable
IAM Goals

- Expand use
- Build skills
- Contribute
- Beta test
General Mediator Group
Certification Group
Specialist Group
Standard of Excellence

OUR SEAL OF APPROVAL
Continued Collaboration
Classroom settings
Electronic classrooms
On-line independent learning
And webinars
Consistency of Performance
Accomplish unified goals
Our message to you:
For More Information:

• Iowa Department on Aging at: https://www.iowaaging.gov

• IAM at: https://www.iamediators.org

• Practical Mediation at: https://www.practicalmediation.org

Thank you for your kind attention to this presentation.

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