

Family mediation

Resolving family disputes without courts complexities

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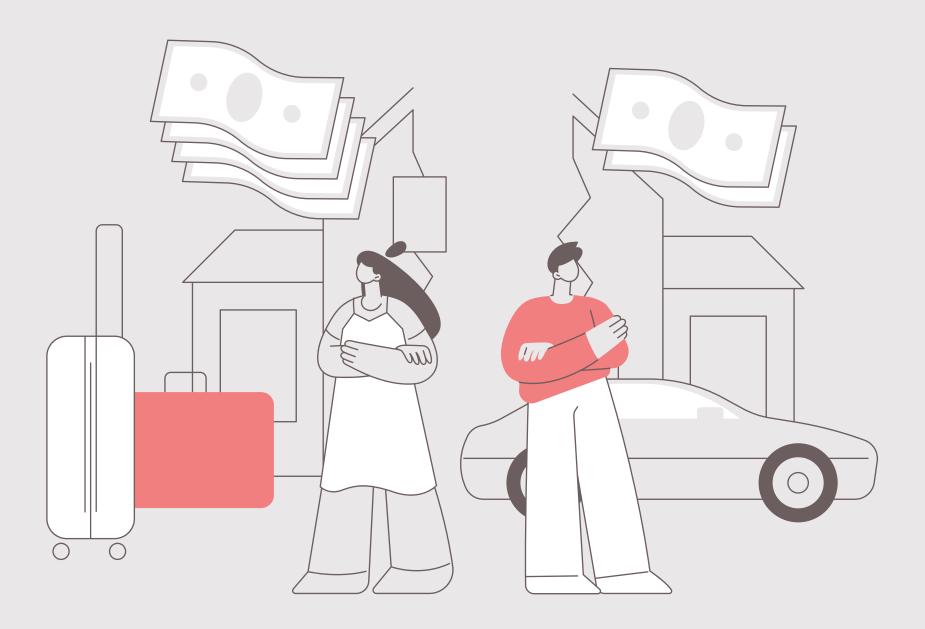




What is family mediation?

- Family law recognises that mediation should take place > before court proceedings, where appropriate. Mediation is: >
 - **Confidential** unless overriding issues >
 - Voluntary unless court ordered >
 - Impartial no sides, no legal advice >
 - Without prejudice not used in court >

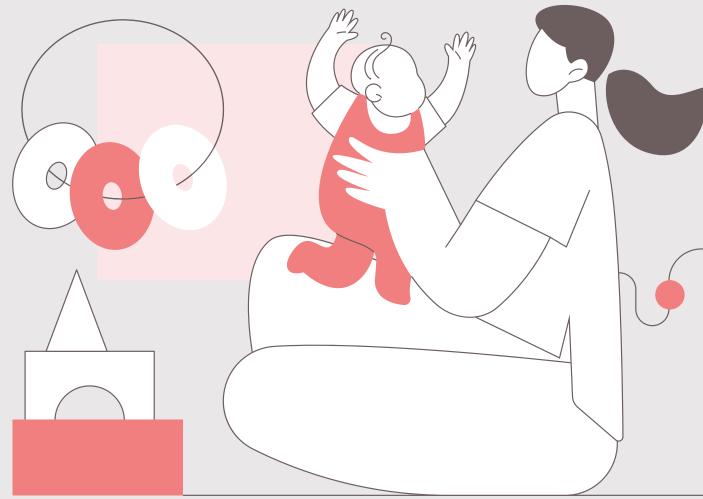




What do mediators do? 2

- Families going through **separation** or **divorce**. >
- When communication breaks down during separation > or divorce, a FMC registered mediator can help resolve:
 - Child arrangement >
 - **Child maintenance** >
 - **Financial settlements** >
 - Other separation-related issues >







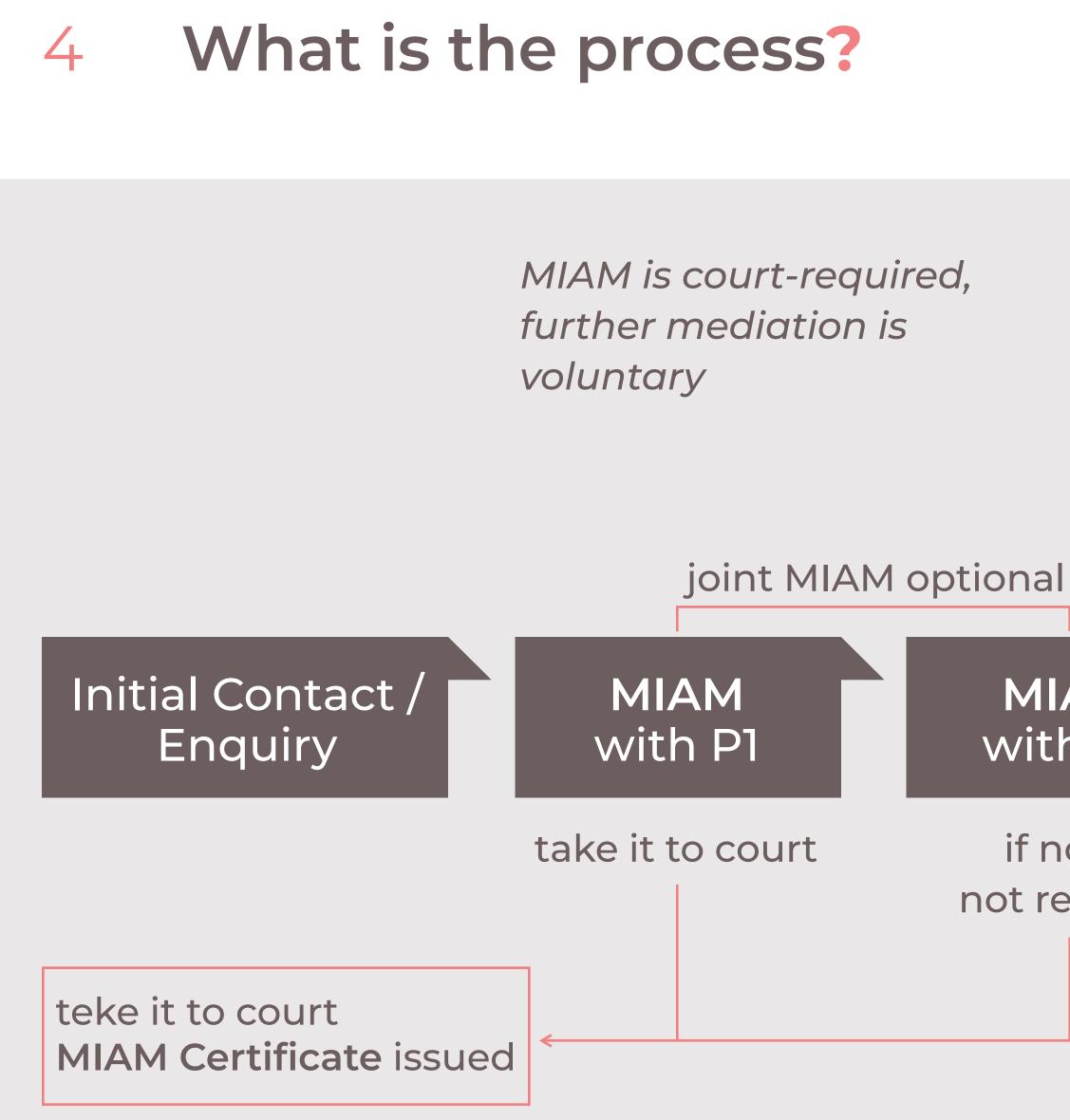
What are the benefits? 3

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Mediation is a quicker, calmer, and more private way to resolve family issues

- Participants in control over process and the outcome >
- In mediation, you decide in court, a judge decides >
- Quickest and cheapest way to resolve issues >
- **Promotes better communication and cooperation** >
- Encouraged by the family court before legal proceedings >
- Focuses on practical solutions that work for everyone >







Consent Order – makes mediation proposals legally binding

OFS and MOU – for financial cases Parenting Plan – for child-related cases Outcome Summary – no full agreement

MIAM with P2

if no or not respont Joint Session/s P1 & P2

Mediation Agreement

may take place over multiple meetings to cover all issues

if no agreement or partial agreement reached

Thank you.

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