



WHAT IS JDMP?

Founded in 2017, the Juvenile Dependency Mediation Program (JDMP) provides parties to child protection cases in Nevada with an alternative to the traditional courtroom setting. JDMP brings participants together to share information, explore options, and identify areas of common ground. Child protection mediation helps focus the conversation on the children, while also encouraging a collaborative and family-focused approach to helping families.

WHO ARE THE JDMP MEDIATORS?

JDMP mediators are a diverse group of experienced, dependency-informed mediators trained to facilitate difficult conversations. Mediators help participants identify common goals and reach creative solutions. Mediators do not make decisions on the case or give legal advice, as they are not acting as judges or attorneys. Rather, JDMP mediators facilitate conversations between participants to help them reach an agreement about how to move forward.

Elements of a JDMP mediation:

- Scheduled for 3 hours
- Collaborative/non-adversarial setting
- Confidential communications
- Extensive pre-mediation preparation
- Separate parent orientations
- Joint session preferred
- Conversational/information sharing
- Ongoing reporting/evaluations

What stakeholders are saying about JDMP

What parents are saying about JDMP

“My voice was heard.”

“Safe, confidential space with respect from all parties to come to an agreement in [the] best interest of kids.”

Learn more about JDMP

