



Mi FDRP Supervision & Support Panel

Supporting Development, Reflection & Ethical Practice

About the Panel

The Mi FDRP Supervision & Support Panel is a national network of experienced Family Dispute Resolution Practitioners (FDRPs) offering structured supervision to support growth, competence, and ethical standards in practice.

Supervision is offered across three key streams:

1. Internship Supervision

For Mediation Institute FDRP Students Completing the 50-Hour Work Placement

Purpose

To provide structured, supportive supervision for Mediation Institute students completing the mandatory 50 hours of supervised FDR practice.

Supervisor Role

- Observe or co-facilitate sessions
- Provide skill-building feedback and ethical guidance
- Review and confirm student submissions of progress and completion reports to Mi
- Support student learning through debriefs and reflective practice

Activities May Include

- Observation of intake, screening, and mediation
- Co-mediation
- Debrief and discussion of ethical dilemmas
- Guidance on agreements, notes, and risk assessment
- Participation in client education and resource finding

Delivery Format

- Online or in-person
- Weekly or as required during placement
- Supervision logs and formal agreements are required
- Mediation Institute provides insurance coverage if a Work Placement Agreement is in place

2. Professional Supervision

Ongoing Reflective Practice for Qualified FDRPs

Purpose

To support qualified FDRPs in maintaining ethical, effective, and reflective practice.

Ideal For

- Sole practitioners
- Early-career FDRPs
- Practitioners in high-conflict or complex family law contexts
- Those seeking support, mentoring, or CPD planning

Focus Areas

- Case debriefs and decision-making support
- Managing emotional load and professional boundaries
- Ethical reflections and dilemmas
- Preventing practitioner burnout

Delivery Format

- Monthly or quarterly supervision
- 1:1 or small group
- Online or face-to-face

3. Post-Complaint Supervision

Reflective & Restorative Support After a Complaint

Purpose

To assist FDRPs in regaining professional confidence and insight following a substantiated complaint or serious concern.

Objectives

- Restore ethical alignment and safe practice
- Provide a confidential space for reflection
- Address specific concerns e.g. neutrality, client safety
- Create a structured Remedial Supervision Plan

Referral Pathways

- Self-referral
- Referral by Mediation Institute, employers, or other FDRP complaint handling bodies
- Information shared only with practitioner consent

May Include

- Case file or session review (with consent)
- Supervision focused on complaint themes
- Supervisor progress report if required
- Recommendations for CPD or additional support

Who Can Be a Supervisor?

To join the Mi FDRP Supervision Panel, supervisors must:

- Be listed on the AGD FDR Register
- Have 2+ years post-registration experience or evidence of supervision experience
- Hold current professional indemnity insurance
- Support reflective, ethical, and non-judgmental supervision practice

Fees & Volunteering

- Supervision may be voluntary or fee-based
- All fees must be agreed upon directly between the supervisor and mentee before commencement
- Mi encourages accessibility and fairness in setting fees

How to Apply

- Apply to join the panel via our Microsoft Form <https://forms.office.com/r/TgtFQe0tKL>
- Provide supporting documents via email (e.g. resume, referee details)

Contact Us

 For more information, supervision requests, or to join the panel:

 Email: office@mediationinstitute.edu.au

 Website: [FDR Supervisors - Panel Application](#)