

## **If your mediation involves PARENTING TIME WITH YOUR CHILD**

In most cases, children benefit from regular contact and parenting time with both parents. You should come to your mediation session prepared to discuss how you and your child's other parent will spend time with your child.

Some of the issues you will be discussing during mediation may include the following:

### **Regular Schedule with Child**

- Days and times with each parent
- Weekends
- Times of pick-up and/or drop-off
- Transporting child to each home
- Special needs of the child
- Telephone contact

### **Holidays and School Vacations**

- Holidays and special days you would like to share with your child
- School vacations

### **Canceling Parenting Time**

- How to handle postponements or cancellations

### **Travel with Your Child**

- Permission needed from other parent for overnight travel out of state

In certain cases, the following information can be helpful:

- DCYF information
- Counselor reports
- Police reports