

**ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER OF THE  
CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE OF THE COURTS**

Pursuant to the authority vested in me and in accordance with 22 NYCRR § 146.6(b), I hereby promulgate, effective January 1, 2023, the following training requirements for family and matrimonial mediators who have requested and been approved to serve on court rosters in Family or Supreme Court.

1. All roster mediators who mediate family or matrimonial matters for the court under Part 146 of the Rules of the Chief Administrative Judge (22 NYCRR § 146) are required to take an additional four (4) hours of training on how to screen potential mediation cases for Intimate Partner Violence (IPV Screening Training). The IPV Screening Training will instruct mediators on how to screen cases for mediation appropriateness, and how to safely end screening and mediation sessions when Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) is revealed or suspected.
2. The four (4) hours of training is a one-time training requirement.
  - a. For mediators who are already on a family or matrimonial roster or who join such a roster before January 1, 2023:
    - i. They must complete this four-hour training requirement by December 31, 2023.
    - ii. Training hours may be applied towards the continuing education (CE) requirement prescribed in Part 146.5
  - b. For mediators who join a family or matrimonial roster on or after January 1, 2023:
    - i. This training is an additional pre-requisite for mediators to receive cases on a family or matrimonial roster.
  - c. The IPV Screening Training may be offered by the Office of Court Administration's Statewide Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) Office or by a provider that the Statewide ADR Office approves.
3. After completing the one-time four (4) hours of IPV Screening Training, all roster mediators who mediate family or matrimonial matters for the court are required to take at least two (2) hours of continuing education (CE) on IPV every two years. These CE hours may be applied towards the CE requirement prescribed by Part 146.5.
  - a. CE on IPV may be offered by the Office of Court Administration's Statewide ADR Office, legal services organizations, community dispute resolution centers, professional dispute resolution associations, domestic violence advocacy groups, or similar providers.
4. Providers accredited under 22 NYCRR § 1500.4(c) may offer continuing legal education (CLE) credit for IPV Screening Training in one of the categories of CLE credit defined in 22 NYCRR § 1500.2(c) – (g). Providers not accredited under 22 NYCRR § 1500.4(c) must apply to the New York State CLE Board for approval to offer CLE credit for IPV Screening Training. All CLE providers and programs must meet the requirements of the

New York State CLE Program Rules and New York State CLE Board Regulations and Guidelines.

This order supersedes a prior Administrative Order (AO/119/22).

  
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Chief Administrative Judge of the Courts

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