



EFFECTS OF IPV ON....

**Autonomy**



Freedom from undue pressure, duress, threats, manipulation, and/or intimidation

*How comfortable are you saying what you think, raising difficult topics, disagreeing with the other person, and standing up for what matters to you?*

**Good faith/fair dealing**



Adherence to ground rules, respect for others' needs and interests, full disclosure of relevant information, willingness and ability to explore options and share decision making, commitment to honor agreements

*How confident are you that both of you will: (1) follow the rules; (2) share important information; (3) hear each other out; (4) cooperate; and (5) stand by promises and agreements?*

**Judgment**



Parenting capacity and judgment, commitment to shared decision-making, willingness & ability to attend to children's needs

*How well can you rely on the other person to make good decisions when it comes to the children, prioritize the children's needs, and share parental responsibility?*

**Information**



Understanding of rights, issues, and options; access to relevant information; knowledge of personal & community resources

*How well do you understand this process, your legal rights and options, and the things you need to know to fully and effectively participate?*

**Safety/Risk Assessment**



- Stalking
- Sexual assault
- Abuse during pregnancy
- Threats to kill
- Strangulation
- Controlling behaviors
- Access to weapons
- Increased frequency/severity
- Child abuse
- Animal abuse
- Excessive jealousy/obsession
- Abuser's mental status
- Denial of responsibility for IPV

*Is there anything about this process that makes you concerned for your own safety or for the safety of your children? If so, please say more.*

PROCEDURAL RESPONSES

- Expert co-mediator
- Advocate support
- Legal support
- Best interest monitor
- Mediation prep support
- Pre-set substantive issues
- Pre-set procedural rules
- Safe termination protocol
- Suspend/delay mediation
- Do not attempt mediation

**Mediation Discussion Guide**

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