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Part One

Child Custody Recommending Counseling

Introduction to Child Recommending Counseling (CCRC)

- CCRC is required whenever there is a dispute about child custody or visitation
- CCRC focuses on developing a parenting plan between parents that is in the best interest of your children



California Law Defines Three Purposes of CCRC

To reduce conflict between the parents

- To develop a parenting plan ensuring the child's frequent and continuing contact with both parents
- To settle disagreements regarding visitation rights that is in the best interest of the child



CCRC is to Assist Both Parents Reach an Agreement

- Mediators will help you work out the terms of a parenting plan with the other parent
- Your parenting plan may consist of:
 - □ How time will be shared during the school year and summer
 - Holidays and vacation schedules
 - □ Transportation and exchanges, and;
 - Other important details which may include co-parenting classes, anger management classes, and substance abuse classes/testing

What if Parents Already Have an Agreement?

- To make your plan a court order, you must provide a written agreement to the court for approval
- If you have an agreement but need assistance with the paperwork, contact the Family Law Facilitator/Self-Help Attorney's office located at the Courthouse Annex 120 5th Street, Marysville, CA 95901

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