

Update to the In-Person Attendance Requirement and Participant Requirement Regarding the Mediation and Assessment Program (MAP) for the United States District Court, Western District of Missouri-June 2021 (updated from August 25, 2020 notification)

Although global health and safety has improved over the past several months, the COVID-19 pandemic continues to impede operational certainty. Thus, the modification to the MAP General Order which allows for virtual or remote mediations in lieu of the in-person attendance requirement for mediation has been extended. The MAP website contains guidelines for virtual or remote mediations. In-person mediations are permitted if all participants agree and appropriate safety protocols are followed.

The participant requirements in Section V.E. of the MAP General Order remain in effect. If there is an issue with the participant requirements, please contact the MAP Director well prior to mediation so that participation can be addressed before mediation.

Should you have any questions regarding this update or other aspects of MAP, please contact the MAP office at 816-512-5080 or map@mow.uscourts.gov.

Best regards,

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