

Impact of the Arizona Rules of Family Law Procedure On Court Appointed Experts (Parenting Coordinators and Private Mediators)		
Rule 74	Areas Impacted	Preparations for changes
C.	<i>Absent an order of the Court, one or both parties cannot discharge the Parenting Coordinator.</i>	None.
D.	<i>The Court will determine the fees for the services of a Parenting Coordinator and the allocation of fees between the parties.</i>	Ensure that billing information is updated on Court's roster.
E.	<p><i>The Parenting Coordinator shall not have the authority to make a recommendation affecting child support, a change of custody or a substantial change in parenting time.</i></p> <p><i>In the event the Parenting Coordinator determines the existence of parenting or family issues or circumstances that are significantly detrimental to the welfare of the child(ren) warranting a change in custody or substantial change in parenting time, the Parenting Coordinator may submit the Parenting Coordinator's concerns in writing to the parties and the court.</i></p>	<p>Parenting coordinator must understand this limitation of jurisdiction and be vigilant to court orders that might violate this proscription.</p> <p>Parenting Coordinator is not authorized to make recommendations for change of custody or substantial changes in parenting time.</p>
G.	<p><i>When a short-term, emerging, and time-sensitive situation or dispute within the scope of authority of the Parenting Coordinator arises that requires an immediate decision for the welfare of the children and parties, a Parenting Coordinator may make a binding temporary decision.</i></p> <p><i>The decision shall be submitted to the assigned judge with a copy to the parties (or counsel, if represented) in a written report that shall document all substantive issues addressed and the basis for the decision for review and entry of any appropriate orders at the judge's earliest opportunity.</i></p>	<p>Clarification that this is a situation that has developed suddenly and requires timely action – does not need to be emergency or imminent harm situation.</p> <p>Timely reporting.</p>

<p>H.</p>	<p><i>Recommendations by the Parenting Coordinator must be made or confirmed in a written report to the court and parties in substantially the same format as Rule 97, Form 9,</i></p> <p><i>which shall be submitted not later than five days after an oral determination or receipt of all information necessary to make a recommendation.</i></p>	<p>See Form 9</p> <p>Compliance with timeline.</p>
<p>I.</p>	<p><i>The judicial officer shall set a hearing if requested.</i></p>	<p>None.</p>
<p>J.</p>	<p><i>The court, upon receipt of a report and recommendation from a Parenting Coordinator, may: approve the recommendation and adopt it as an interim order of the court subject to either party objecting and/or requesting a hearing within ten days from the date the recommendation report is submitted to the court;</i></p>	<p>None.</p>