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Center Directors:

As a part of the Mediation Confidentiality and Standards of Conduct Committee, a subcommittee drafted a proposed revision to our current standards of conduct. That effort turned out to be particularly ambitious, and a national "first" in that the draft combines provisions of the nationally recognized general civil and domestic relations mediation standards of conduct into one document. Given this sweeping approach, the standards initiative has been spun off, to be considered by a successor committee that will focus solely on the standards.

The subcommittee proposal appears here:

<http://courts.michigan.gov/scao/resources/publications/reports/ODR-ProposalforRevisingMSCM.pdf>

We will be convening the new committee later this year, but feel free to circulate this proposal as a discussion draft. It is significantly more comprehensive than Michigan's current standards.

The document is 44 pages long; if you would like bound printed copies sent to you, please contact Chris. Thanks.

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