CHAPTER 110

CHILD SUPPORT PROGRAM

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SUBCHAPTER 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS OF THE CHILD SUPPORT PROGRAM

10:110–1.1 Purpose and scope of the Child Support Program

Title IV-D of the Social Security Act, known as the Program for Child Support Enforcement and Establishment of Paternity, was established by Part B of P.L. 93-647 in 1975. Title IV-D charges the Child Support Program with locating alleged fathers and non-custodial parents, establishing paternity, and obtaining, enforcing and modifying support obligations (both monetary and medical support) owed by non-custodial parents to their children in both, as defined herein, intrastate and interstate cases. As used herein, the terms "child support" and "Title IV-D" are interchangeable.

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See: 30 N.J.R. 1956(a), 30 N.J.R. 3822(a).

Inserted a reference to modifying support obligations, and added ", in both intrastate and interstate cases" at the end of the second sentence.

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See: 35 N.J.R. 3042(a), 36 N.J.R. 1207(a).
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Substituted "medical support" for "health care coverage" preceding "owed by non-custodial parents" and inserted ", as defined herein," preceding "intrastate and interstate cases".

10:110–1.2 Child Support Program administration

(a) Title IV-D of the Social Security Act delegates responsibility for the operation of the Child Support Program to state IV-D agencies. In New Jersey, the state IV-D Agency is the Department of Human Services, Division of Family Development, Office of Child Support Services (OCSS).

(b) The OCSS shall be the single organizational unit responsible for the administration of the Child Support Program.

(c) The OCSS shall oversee the delivery of child support services involving:

1. County welfare agencies (CWA);

2. County welfare agency child support units (CWA/CSU);

3. The Judiciary's Administrative Office of the Courts and the respective components of the judicial districts, namely, the Family Division, the Probation Division (Child Support) and the Finance Division;

County prosecutor's offices;

5. County sheriff's offices;

6. The State Attorney General's Office; and

7. Contracted service providers of the NJ Child Support Program.

(d) The OCSS shall supervise and monitor the Child Support Program.

(e) In the administration of child support services, there shall be no discrimination by reason of: race; creed, color; affectional or sexual orientation or sex; national origin; ancestry; marital status; familial status; liability for service in the Armed Forces of the United States; or disability or handicap by the Department, or any other entities or contractual agents under contract or agreement with the Department and involved in the provision of child support services, in accordance with Title VI of the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) and Section 504 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (P.L. 95-602), the Americans with Disabilities Act (P.L. 101-336), and the Law Against Discrimination, P.L. 1945, c.169 (C.10:5-1 et seq.).

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