

Child Support Advisory Committee

May 27, 2025, 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.,
Meeting will not be held in person

Committee Members Present via WebEx/Phone: Margaret A. Bennett, Howard Feldman, Katie Gaughan-Palombi, Dr. Kirk E. Harris, The Honorable Judge Victoria Kennison, Elizabeth Lingle, The Honorable Judge Pam Loza, Christina Mahoney, Nicole McKinnon, Jessica Patchik, Jill Outland for Dulce M. Quintero, Christine Raffaele, The Honorable Regina Scannicchio, Samuel Williams for The Honorable Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Chlece Walker-Neal-Murray, Richard W. Zuckerman

Committee Members Absent: Daryl Apperton, The Honorable Grace Dickler, The Honorable La Shawn Ford, Geraldine Franco, Niya Kelly, Sally Kolb, The Honorable Judge Alana I. Mejias, Phillip J. Mohr, The Honorable Judge Alicia Washington

HFS Staff Present: Bryan Tribble, Irene Curran, Christine Towles, Sharon Shapiro, Celeste Kannall, Heather Austif

Public Guests: Nancy Shafer, Aaron

AGENDA

1. Welcome to CSAC members – Richard Zuckerman, Chair
2. Roll Call and Introductions
 - Roll Call of Committee Members – Richard Zuckerman
 - Introduction of State Employees & Members of the Public
 - All Committee Members, Attendees & Members of the Public are requested to announce yourself
3. Approval of February 25, 2025, meeting notes
 - Motion to approve, seconded, passed unanimously
4. Relevant Legislation Introduced In 104th General Assembly (1st Session)
 - The language of HB2683/SB2507 (Equality For Every Family Act) is may be included in the Budget Implementation Bill. The language of the bill updates the Illinois Parentage Act of 2015 with elements from the Uniform Parentage Act of 2017 among other changes.
 - HFS Initiative-The Family Resource Connections language will be moving to the Public Aid Code and removing the existing pilot language from the same so that this would be a program HFS would be required to administer and continue to move forward. This has yet to be named but will be included in the Medicaid Omnibus Bill.

5. Subcommittee Reports

➤ Shared Parenting – Feldman/Bennett

- This subcommittee has been meeting bi-weekly and have come to a recommendation to address the cliff of 146 overnights. We are actively working through a process to calculate support with shared parenting. We are also working through how to implement the change with the computer programming and the calculator that is available to the public. Plans are to have a full recommendation to the committee by the next meeting to incorporate into legislation to be submitted in 2026. Margaret Bennett adds under the split parenting or split custody we use two worksheets. Colorado has decided to use one worksheet. They do have a slightly different formula. Currently working on some examples and comparing two worksheets versus one.

➤ Self-Support Reserve and Minimum Child Support Orders – Harris/Lingle

- Presentation of a recommendation to the Committee for a vote
 - Dr. Kirk Harris-We recognize there has to be a delicate balance struck between the payor/obligor and the custodial parent. Recommendation is to look at 100% Federal Poverty Level (FPL) as the trigger and not the current 75% FPL for minimum orders.
 - Elizabeth Lingle-Started by reminding the group that the recommendation is to change 750 ILCS 5/505(a)(3.3a). The provision speaks to the rebuttable presumption that a minimum child support obligation of \$40 per month per child will be entered for an obligor who has actual or imputed gross income at or less than 75% of the most recent federal poverty guidelines for a family of one. The CSAC decided in the last Quad Review there would be no adjustments to the \$40 per month payment structure. The only change the subcommittee currently recommends is raising the threshold for minimum orders from 75% to 100% of the FPL. Prior to the next full CSAC meeting, the subcommittee will prepare and circulate a summary of its recommendation.
 - Richard Zuckerman-Suggests circulating something to the group about the recommendations and taking a vote on it at the next meeting. Dr. Harris and Liz both agree to summarize the recommendations for purposes of circulation to the group and vote on the recommendations at the next meeting.

6. Implementation Update

- [PA-103-0356](#): Family Resource Connections (FRC) –Watson/Tribble
 - Bryan Tribble-Work continues with legislation removing the pilot language from the Family Resource Connections Program. FRC hosts bi-monthly sessions with IDHS and CMS. These sessions connect parents to existing career opportunities that are within the State of Illinois or private employers that partner with the Department of Employment Security. Next steps with the program include connections with the Illinois Community College organization and with the Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

7. Family 1st Parental Workgroup – Harris/Watson/Tribble

- Bryan Tribble-Plans are underway for upcoming informational meetings to be held sometime in June. Outreach efforts have started with community-based organizations to help get the word out. The informational meetings will be done via Webex in the evenings at 6:00 pm. Email and text messaging blasts have gone out to all parents and families served by the IV D program. The plan is to hold a couple informational meetings in hopes that those interested will apply to be a part of the Family First Workgroup. The name “Family First” is a place holder for now until the actual workgroup can come up with an appropriate name. Primary goals for the workgroup are to elevate the voices, interests, ideas, and concerns of families and individuals that are served by the child support program. Further, this group would help to shape and influence the program’s policies and practices for the seeable future. Kick off for the workgroup is planned for this fall.

8. Old/New Business – Committee Members

- Celeste Kannall-Provided an update that everyone should have access to their profile for the annual One Net training. Also, a reminder there are 6 mandatory trainings available to complete. Completion date is December 12, 2025. Feel free to reach out to Celeste if there are any problems or issues.

9. Public Comment

- No public comment

Public comments shall be limited to subjects on the meeting’s agenda. The Committee may terminate a speaker’s comments if they are irrelevant, repetitious, or disruptive. Reasonable time limits will be set upon the length of each speaker’s comment.

10. Adjourn

- Motion to approve, seconded, passed unanimously