

Child Support Advisory Committee Meeting

April 18, 2017 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Healthcare and Family Services (HFS)

By video conference and teleconference

Committee Members Present: Darryl Apperton(via phone), Margaret Bennett, Scott Black(via phone), Turyia Clay(for Dorothy Brown), Geraldine Franko(via phone), The Honorable Judge Pamela Loza, Nicole McKinnon(via phone), Margaret Stapleton, Zeophus (Zee) Williams, Nancy Waites (for The Honorable Judge Diane Winter) and Richard Zuckerman(via phone)

Committee Members Absent: The Honorable Patricia Bellock, The Honorable Kelly Burke, James Dimas, The Honorable La Shawn Ford, Kirk Harris, Sequane Lawrence and The Honorable Robert Martwick, The Honorable Sidney Mathias

HFS Staff Present: Pam Lowry, Gina Hemphill, Bryan Tribble, Irene Curran, Sharon Shapiro, Ralph Abt, Hillary Johns, Yvette Perez-Trevino, Mike Vespa, Darla Richno and Christina Beck

Public Guests: Nancy Shafer

- **Welcome to CSAC members – Pam Lowry**
Pam Lowry welcomed meeting participants, shared information regarding the 2017 CSAC meeting schedule, and noted that the information is also posted on the web site.
- **Remarks – Pam Lowry**
 - Roll call of committee members
 - Introduction of state employees and members of the public
 - All committee members, attendees and members of the public were asked to sign in
- **Election of 2017 CSAC Chairperson – Pam Lowry/Committee Members**
Margaret Stapleton nominated Maggie Bennett as the 2017 CSAC chair person. The Honorable Judge Pamela Loza seconded the nomination. No other nominations were brought forward. Voting was unanimous. Maggie accepted the Chair and thanked the Committee.
- **CSAC Quarterly Numbers – Pam Lowry**
Support Order Establishment is slightly up. Current Collections Percent is also slightly up. Arrears Debt Percent is down slightly. This may be due to a delay in tax refunds. Caseload is something that we look at month to month. It was mentioned that there has been a decrease in the number of teenage girls having babies. The majority of parents in our caseload are now part of the millennial generation, who may be less likely to make parenting and support arrangement formally through the courts

- **Income Shares – Proposed final draft of Gross to Net Conversion and Income Shares Schedule Based on Net Income – Bryan Tribble**

The table for conversion of gross to standardized net income and the Basic Child Support Obligation schedule were distributed at the meeting and will be posted with the CSAC materials on the HFS website. The draft report is also published on the HFS web site.

HFS will publish a child support estimator tool on the HFS website on July 1. This tool will calculate an estimated child support obligation using the income shares guidelines statutory requirements and will link to the Basic Support Obligation schedule. For IV-D cases, legal representatives for the Department will utilize an application that has been developed specifically for their use. HFS is currently engaged in application testing and expects an on-time delivery. The next quadrennial guidelines review is scheduled for 2018.

- **New Business – Committee Members**

- Committee member asked how administrative and judicial cases will be handled with income shares Department staff indicated that administrative establishment of support and/or modification of support on administrative orders will utilize the application developed for IV-D cases.

- **Public Comment – Members of the Public**

A member of the public appreciated to the Committee for the extensive and thoughtful efforts that have gone into the preparation for the transition to Income Shares.

- **Closing**

Motion to adjourn was offered and approved.

- **Meeting Adjourned**