

Introduction to Child Support

"The purpose of the Child Support Enforcement program is to enhance the well-being of children and reduce the demand on public treasuries by securing financial and medical support from legally responsible parents and encouraging positive relationships between children and their parents."

Types of Cases

- **IV-D cases** = cases being enforced and funded under Title IV-D of the Social Security Act based on a referral from a public assistance program (TANF, Medical Assistance, or Foster Care) or when either parent applies for IV-D services.
- **NonIV-D cases** = cases in which child support is ordered by a court but the support is not being enforced under Title IV-D.

Major Programmatic Functions of IV-D Program

- Locate
- Paternity Establishment
- Establishment of Child Support Guidelines
- Establishment of Court-Ordered Child Support
- Establishment of Court-Ordered Medical Support
- Enforcement of Court-Ordered Support
- Review and Adjustment
- Receive, Record, and Distribute Child Support Payments

Federal Performance Measurements

- Paternity Establishment
- Support Order Establishment
- Current Collections
- Arrearage Collections
- Cost Effectiveness
- Medical Support (pending)

Program Funding

- Federal incentives
- State General Fund
- County Property Taxes

- Federal IV-D matching funds (66% federal, 34% state/county)

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