

STATE MEDICAL SUPPORT CONTACTS

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<p>Alabama</p> <p>Janice Grubbs Phone: (334) 864-4005 Fax: (334) 864-7852 Email: janice.grubbs@dhr.alabama.gov</p>	<p>No policy with respect to medical support priority at this time.</p>	<p>Code of Alabama 1975, Section 27-21B-10 http://www.legislature.state.al.us/CodeofAlabama/1975/coatoc.htm</p>	<p>Rule 32(B)(7)(c)(3) Alabama Rules of Judicial Administration states that cash medical support or the cost of private health insurance is considered reasonable if the cost to the parent responsible for providing medical support does not exceed 10% of his/her gross income.</p>
<p>Alaska</p> <p>Richard Romero Phone: (907) 269-6803 Fax: (907) 787-3159 fax Email: rick.romero@alaska.gov</p> <p>Friederike Cook Phone: (907) 269-6838 Fax: (907) 787-3262 Email: friederike.cook@alaska.gov</p> <p>Ronda Hausser Phone: (907) 269-6837 Fax: (907) 787-3149 Email: ronda.hausser@alaska.gov</p>	<p>Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears, interest.</p>		
<p>Arizona</p> <p>Arizona Dept of Economic Security Division of Child Support Enforcement (DCSE) Policy Unit P.O. Box 40458 Attention: Site Code 776A Phoenix, Arizona 85067 Phone: (602) 771-8000 Phone: (602) 771-8127 Fax: (602) 771-8130 Email: dcse-policyquestions@azdes.gov</p>	<p>Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears, interest.</p>		

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Arkansas Mary Smith Phone: (501) 682-6828 Fax: (501) 682-6002 Email: mary.e.smith@ocse.state.ar.us	Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears, interest.		
California Program Policy Branch Phone: (916) 464-5883 Fax: (916) 464-5893 Email: policy.branch@dcss.ca.gov	At this time, California allows for the non-aided individual to choose between medical support and current support. For aided individuals, it is always current support that is prioritized.		
Colorado Kari Moreno Phone: (303) 866-4232 Fax: (303) 866-4359 Email: kari.moreno@state.co.us	Health insurance premiums, current support, arrears, interest.	C.R.S. Section 14-10-115(10)(g)	"Where the application of the premium payment on the guidelines results in a child support order of \$50 or less or the premium payment is 20% or more of the parent's gross income, ..." (20% reasonable cost standard)
Connecticut Jack Dwyer Phone: (860) 424-5262 Fax: (860) 951-2996 Email: jack.dwyer@ct.gov	Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears.		
Delaware Ana DePaul Phone: (302) 395-6587 Fax: (302) 395-6734 Email: ana.depaul@state.de.us	Current support, arrears, health insurance premiums.		
District of Columbia Artish Fountain Phone: (202) 724-2316 Fax: (202) 724-3713 Email: artish.fountain@dc.gov	Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears.		

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Florida Employer Line Phone: (866) 435-2763 Email: dorcse@dor.state.fl.us	Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears, then other medical coverage.		
Georgia Russell Eastman Phone: (404) 463-2209 Fax: (404) 657-3326 Email: reastman@dhr.state.ga.us	Current support, medical insurance if ordered in a specific dollar amount, arrears.		
Guam Pauline R. Chaco Phone: (671) 475-3324, ext. 821 Fax: (671) 475-3203 Email: pauline.chaco@guamcse.net	Current support, current medical support, child support arrears, medical support arrears, genetic test fees		
Hawaii Kaleialoha Vierra Phone: (808) 692-7147 Fax: (808) 692-7134	No policy with respect to medical support priority at this time.		
Idaho Kristy White Phone: (208) 334-4975 Email: whitek@dhw.idaho.gov	Current support, medical support, arrears		
Illinois Barb McDermott Phone: (217) 782-2359 Email: Barb.McDermott@illinois.gov	Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears.	750 ILCS Section 28/22 750 ILCS Section 28/50(a) 750 ILCS Section 5/505.2 No link available at this time	Legislation not changed yet so no guidance with respect to reasonable cost at this time
Indiana Employer Maintenance Unit Phone: (800) 292-0403 Phone: (317) 232-0327 Email: emu@dcs.in.gov	Current support, arrears, health insurance premiums.		

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Iowa Phone: (877) 274-2580 Fax: (319) 226-7150 fax Website: https://secureapp.dhs.state.ia.us/epay/	No policy with respect to medical support priority at this time.	Iowa Code Chapter 252E (link to statute not yet available) Iowa Court Rules Chapter 9 http://www.iowacourts.gov/wfdata/frame8286-1671/File81.pdf	Generally, 5% to 1% of gross income, but there are exceptions.
Kansas Monica Remillard Phone: (785) 291-3954 Email: monica.remillard@srs.ks.gov	Current support, arrears, health insurance premiums.	http://www.srskansas.org/cse/kcsem/ITOC.htm	5 percent reasonable standard
Kentucky Wendy Cumpston Phone: (502) 564-2285, ext. 4428 Fax: (502) 564-0255 Email: wendys.cumpston@ky.gov	Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears.		
Louisiana Gloria Garner Phone: (225) 342-2148 Fax: (225) 342-8822 Email: ggarner1@dss.state.la.us Brenda Washington Phone: (225) 342-0628 Fax: (225) 342-8822 Email: bwashing@dss.state.la.us	Health insurance premiums, current support, arrears.		
Maine Kevin Wells Phone: (207) 287-5095 Fax: (207) 287-6883 Email: kevin.wells@maine.gov	No policy with respect to medical support priority at this time.	Link not available at this time.	No guidance with respect to reasonable cost at this time.
Maryland Judith Angell Phone: (410) 767-7403 Fax: (410) 333-6264 Email: jangell@dhr.state.md.us	Current support, arrears, health insurance premiums		

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<p>Massachusetts</p> <p>Karen E. Melkonian Phone: (617) 626-4204 Fax: (617) 626-4089 Email: melkonian@dor.state.ma.us</p> <p>Joanne McNally Phone: (617) 626-4135 Fax: (617) 626-4089 Email: mcnallyj@dor.state.ma.us</p>	<p>Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears.</p>		
<p>Michigan</p> <p>Mary Wicklund Phone: (517) 241-8328 Fax: (517) 373-9202 Email: wicklundm@michigan.gov</p>	<p>Current support, arrears, health insurance premiums.</p>		
<p>Minnesota</p> <p>Dina Schroepfer Phone: (651) 431-4591 Fax: (651) 461-4571 Email: dina.schroepfer@state.mn.us</p>	<p>No policy with respect to medical support priority at this time.</p>		
<p>Mississippi</p> <p>Shirley Buford Phone: (601) 359-4887 Fax: (601) 359-4415 Email: sbuford@mdhs.state.ms.us</p>	<p>No policy with respect to medical support priority at this time.</p>		

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<p>Missouri</p> <p>John Mier - Establishment of Medical Support Phone: (573) 751-7079 Fax: (573) 751-3677 Email: john.r.mier@dss.mo.gov</p> <p>Angela Terry - Enforcement of Medical Support Phone: (573) 751-6529 Fax: (573) 751-3677 Email: angela.terry@dss.mo.gov</p> <p>Nancy Crocker - Public Inquiries Phone: (573) 526-5356 Fax: (573) 751-3677 Email: nancy.j.crocker@dss.mo.gov</p>	<p>Current support (would include a dollar-specific medical support obligation), health insurance premiums, current spousal support, arrears, interest.</p>	<p>http://www.moga.mo.gov/statutes/c454.htm</p> <p>The medical support statutes can be found at 454.600 through 454.645.</p>	<p>No guidance with respect to reasonable cost at this time.</p>
<p>Montana</p> <p>Chad Dexter Phone: (406) 444-1846 Email: cdexter@mt.gov</p>	<p>Current support, arrears, health insurance premiums.</p>	<p>http://data.opi.state.mt.us/bills/mca_toc/40_5_8.htm</p>	<p>Out-of-Pocket Premium < (Gross Income) x 0.05- *If the parent's monthly out-of-pocket premium cost for coverage of the child(ren) is less than or equal to 5% of the parent's gross income, or- If there is no additional cost to add a child(ren) to an already existing plan.</p>
<p>Nebraska</p> <p>Margaret Ewing Phone: (402) 471-7317 Fax: (402) 471-7311 fax Email: margaret.ewing@dhhs.ne.gov</p>	<p>Current child support, spousal support, medical support payments including health insurance premiums; then arrears- child support, spousal support, then medical support; then interest on those arrears.</p>		

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<p>Nevada</p> <p>Debbie Fazzino 1470 College Parkway Carson City NV 89706-7924 Phone: (775) 684-0701 Fax: (775) 684-0702 Email: dfazzino@dwss.nv.gov</p>	<p>The employer shall allocate the funds available in accordance with the following priority, unless a court or administrative order directs otherwise:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Current child and spousal support 2. Health insurance premiums or current cash medical support; 3. Arrearages 4. Other child support obligations 	<p>Link not available at this time.</p>	<p>No guidance with respect to reasonable cost at this time.</p>
<p>New Hampshire</p> <p>Sarah Kourian Phone: (603) 271-4750 Fax: (603) 271-7336 Email: sarah.kourian@dhhs.state.nh.us</p>	<p>Current support (child and spousal), health insurance premiums, arrearages.</p>		
<p>New Jersey</p> <p>Alisha Griffin Phone: (609) 584-5093 Fax: (609) 588-2064 Email: alisha.griffin@dhs.state.nj.us</p>	<p>New Jersey guidelines have a line item for work related medical coverage; however, if the coverage is out-of-pocket, the priority is current support, health insurance premiums, arrears.</p>		
<p>New Mexico</p> <p>Mary McCorvy Phone: (505) 827-1315 Email: mary.mccorvy@state.nm.us</p>	<p>Current support (child and spousal), health insurance premiums, arrears.</p>		
<p>New York</p> <p>Tim Lane Phone: (518) 474-9081 Fax: (518) 486-3127 Email: timothy.lane@dfa.state.ny.us</p> <p>David Whalen Phone: (518) 474-9081 Fax: (518) 486-3127 Email: david.whalen@dfa.state.ny.us</p>	<p>Current support, arrears, health insurance premiums.</p>		

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<p>North Carolina</p> <p>Vickie P. Odom Phone: (919) 255-3893 Fax: (919) 212-3842 Email: vickie.odom@dhhs.nc.gov</p>	<p>Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears.</p>		
<p>North Dakota</p> <p>Paulette Oberst Phone: (701) 328-3582 Fax: (701) 328-6575 Email: poberst@nd.gov</p>	<p>State income withholding law provides that child support payments must be satisfied before any payment is made to the health insurance provider.</p>		
<p>Ohio</p> <p>Ohio Dept. of Job and Family Services/Office of Child Support P.O. Box 182709 Columbus, Ohio 43218-2709</p> <p>Al Marcinonis Phone: (614) 752-2680 Email: al.marcinonis@odjfs.state.oh.gov</p>	<p>Ohio gives priority to all forms of cash child support first (e.g., current support, periodic arrears, fees, reimbursements) and the medical insurance premium second. This priority is dictated by Ohio Revised Code section 3119.36(B) which requires an employer to return the NMSN without action if the combined total of the support payment and the medical insurance premium exceeds CCPA.</p>		
<p>Oklahoma</p> <p>Dorinda Morris P.O. Box 545 Fairview, OK Phone: (580) 227-2516 Email: dorinda.morris@okdhs.org</p>	<p>Effective 10-01-07, employers receiving an income assignment and NMSN are to allocate withholdings to (1) current child and spousal support, then (2) health insurance premiums, then (3) arrearages, then (4) other child support obligations.</p>		

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<p>Oregon</p> <p>Employer Services Central Unit Phone: (866) 907-2857 Fax: (503) 986-6011 Email: ead.staff@doj.state.or.us</p>	<p>Cash support, then medical; however, some custodial parents have the option of choosing medical, then cash support.</p>	<p>ORS 25.321 to ORS 25.343 http://landru.leg.state.or.us/ors/025.html</p>	<p>ORS 25.321 to ORS 25.343 and ORS 25.323 http://landru.leg.state.or.us/ors/025.html</p> <p>OAR 137-050-0410 and OAR 137-050-0430 http://www.dcs.state.or.us/oregon_admin_rules/child_support_rules/guideline_rules.htm</p> <p>There is current legislation to change reasonable in cost for medical support, HB 2272 in the Oregon Legislature. http://www.leg.state.or.us/bills_laws/</p>
<p>Pennsylvania</p> <p>Ed Heston Phone: (717) 783-8597 Fax: (717) 772-4936 Email: eheston@state.pa.us</p> <p>Mary C. Smith Phone: (717) 705-2246 Email: marysm@state.pa.us</p>	<p>Current support, current medical support including health insurance premiums, child support arrears, medical support arrears.</p>		
<p>Puerto Rico</p> <p>Jamilla Canario Morales Phone: (787) 767-1500, ext. 2700 Fax: (787) 772-9352 Email: jcanario@asume.gobierno.pr</p>	<p>No information available at this time.</p>		
<p>Rhode Island</p> <p>Frank DiBiase Phone: (401) 222-3845 Fax: (401) 222-3835 Email: fdibiase@cse.state.ri.us</p>	<p>Current support, current medical support (cash order), current spousal support and then arrears.</p>		
<p>South Carolina</p> <p>Steve Yarbrough Phone: (803) 898-9450 Fax: (803) 898-9126 Email: syarbrough@dss.state.sc.us</p>	<p>Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears.</p>		

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South Dakota Nichole MaComb Phone: (605) 773-6569 Fax: (605) 773-7295 Email: nichole.macomcomb@state.sd.us	Current support, arrears, health insurance premiums.		
Tennessee Elsie Rhodes Phone: (615) 313-5761 Fax: (615) 532-2791 Email: Elsie.Rhodes@state.tn.us	The current support obligations are paid first in the following order: child support, medical support including health insurance premiums, spousal support. Arrears obligations are paid next in the same order.		
Texas Ted White Phone: (512) 460-6515 Email: ted.white@cs.oag.state.tx.us	The cost of medical support for coverage provided through the employer is considered a deduction from income before reaching the disposable income available for support under the garnishment limits and therefore are not subject to maximum available income limits; any other medical support order is considered additional child support and no distinction made for the purpose of withholding priority. That priority is current support, interest, arrears, costs and fees.	Texas Family Code 154.181-.193 http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/SOTWDocs/FA/htm/FA.154.htm#D	Texas Family Code 154.181(e) In this section, "reasonable cost" means the cost of health insurance coverage for a child that does not exceed nine percent of the responsible parent's annual resources, as described by Section 154.062(b) http://www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/SOTWDocs/FA/htm/FA.154.htm#154.181

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<p>Utah</p> <p>LeAnn Wilber Phone: (801) 536-8950 Email: lwilber@utah.gov</p> <p>Jason Warner Phone: (801) 536-8659 Email: jwarner2@utah.gov</p>	<p>If withholding is required for employee contributions to one or more plans under this notice and for a support obligation under a separate notice and available funds are insufficient for withholding for both cash and medical support contributions, the employer must withhold amounts for purposes of cash support and medical support contributions in accordance with the law, if any, of the State of the employee's principal place of employment requiring prioritization between cash and medical support, as described here: If the employee's principal place of employment is in Utah, deduct current child support before deducting amounts for health insurance coverage. As required under section 2.b.2. of the Employer Responsibilities, complete item 5 of the Employer Response to notify the Issuing Agency that enrollment cannot be completed because of prioritization or limitations on withholding.</p>	<p>http://www.le.state.ut.us/~code/TITLE62A/htm/62A11_032600.htm</p>	<p>Pursuant to R527-201-7. Reasonable Cost of Insurance Premiums, "Employment-related or other group coverage that does not exceed 5% of the obligated parent's monthly gross income is generally considered reasonable in cost. . ."</p>

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<p>Vermont</p> <p>Melanie Smit Phone: (802) 241-2776 Fax: (802) 241-2748 Email: melanie.smit@ahs.state.vt.us</p>	<p>Current child support, medical support, child support arrears, medical support arrears, surcharge.</p>	<p>http://www.leg.state.vt.us/statutes/fullsection.cfm?Title=15&Chapter=011&Section=00658</p>	<p>(1) The court shall order either or both parents owing a duty of support to provide a cash contribution or medical coverage for a child, provided that medical coverage is available to the parent at a reasonable cost. Medical coverage is presumed to be available to a parent at a reasonable cost only if the amount payable for the individual's contribution to the insurance or health benefit plan premium is five percent or less of the parent's gross income. The court, in its discretion, retains the right to order a parent to obtain medical coverage even if the cost exceeds five percent of the parent's gross income if the cost is deemed reasonable under all the circumstances after considering the factors pursuant to section 659 of this title.</p> <p>(2) If private health insurance or an employer-sponsored health benefit plan is not available at a reasonable cost, the court may order one or both parents owing a duty of support to contribute a cash contribution of up to five percent of gross income toward the cost of health care coverage of a child under public or private health insurance or a health benefit plan. A cash contribution under this section shall be considered child support for tax purposes. When calculating the contribution of a parent whose child receives coverage under Medicaid, a Medicaid waiver program, or Dr. Dynasaur, the court shall not order a contribution greater than the premium amount charged by the agency of human services for the child's coverage.</p>

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<p>Virgin Islands</p> <p>Dean Barnes Phone: (340) 775-3070, ext. 3009 Phone: (340) 775-3808 Email: ginad_13@hotmail.com</p>	<p>No statutory policy; preference for current support, medical support including health insurance premiums, arrears.</p>		
<p>Virginia</p> <p>Lynn Selfe Phone: (804) 726-7436 Fax: (804) 726-7481 Email: lynn.selfe@dss.virginia.gov</p> <p>Jeff McDermott Phone: (804) 726-7851 Fax: (804) 726-7475 Email: jeff.mcdermott@dss.virginia.gov</p>	<p>Current support, arrears (including interest), health insurance premium.</p>		
<p>Washington</p> <p>Gaye L. McQueen Phone: (360) 664-5068 Fax: (360) 586-3274 Email: gmcqueen@dshs.wa.gov</p>	<p>Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears, interest.</p>	<p>Revised Code of Washington (RCW) Statute as of 4/28/2009 Health Ins Requirement http://apps.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=26.09.105</p> <p>Medical Enforcement http://apps.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=26.18.170</p> <p>Penalties-Employer http://apps.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=26.18.180</p> <p>Note: Our SHB 1845, regarding cash medical support, is due to be signed by the Governor. The effective date is 10/1/2009. The bill affects some of the sections cited above.</p> <p>http://apps.leg.wa.gov/documents/billdocs/2009-10/pdf/bills/house%20passed%20legislature/1845-s.pl.pdf</p>	<p>Reasonable cost is calculated as 25% of the obligated parent's Basic Child Support Obligation (BCSO). The BCSO is from Line 7 of the Washington State Child Support Schedule Worksheet. The court shall have discretion to order health insurance coverage that exceeds 25% of the BCSO when it is in the best interest of the child.</p>

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West Virginia Shirley Walters Phone: (304) 558-0905 Fax: (304) 558-4092 Email: shirley.l.walters@wv.gov	Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears, then interest when applicable.		
Wisconsin Phyllis Fuller Phone: (608) 264-6065 Fax: (608) 267-2824 Email: Phyllis.Fuller@wi.gov	No policy with respect to medical support priority at this time.		
Wyoming Jay Mullendore Phone: (307) 777-5653 Fax: (307) 777-5588 Email: jmulle1@state.wy.us	Current support, health insurance premiums, arrears.		