

Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 5101:12-60-60 Redirection of support.

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(A) This rule and its supplemental rules describe how the child support enforcement agency (CSEA) with administrative responsibility for a child support order redirects payments under the support order.

(B) The CSEA is authorized to proceed in accordance with this rule and its supplemental rules when a IV-D application as described in paragraph (A) of rule 5101:12-10-01.1 of the Administrative Code or a IV-D referral as described in paragraph (B) of rule 5101:12-10-01.1 of the Administrative Code has been completed and filed with the CSEA, and the application or referral indicates the child is with a caretaker other than the current payee.

- (C) Nothing in this rule or its supplemental rules precludes a CSEA from proceeding in accordance with Chapter 5101:12-45 of the Administrative Code to establish a child support order or to proceed in accordance with rule 5101:12-60-50 of the Administrative Code and its supplemental rules to terminate a support order.
- (D) The following definitions apply to this rule and its supplemental rules:
- (1) "Caretaker" has the same meaning as in section 3119.01 of the Revised Code.
- (2) "Legal custody" has the same meaning as in section 2151.011 of the Revised Code and includes permanent custody or temporary custody.
- (3) "Payee" means the person or entity to whom child support payments may be disbursed under a child support order.
- (4) "Primary caregiver" means a person with whom the child resides for at least thirty consecutive days, and who stands in place of a parent to make decisions regarding the health, education, support, and welfare of a child.



- (5) "Public children services agency" (PCSA) has the same meaning as in section 5153.01 of the Revised Code.
- (6) "Redirect" means a change under an existing child support order requiring payments be disbursed to a different payee.
- (E) Within twenty days of receiving a IV-D application or referral that indicates the child is with a caretaker other than the current payee, the CSEA will:
- (1) Identify whether the child is in the legal custody of a PCSA; and
- (2) Identify whether the caretaker is the primary caregiver of the child.
- (F) When the child is in the legal custody of a PCSA, the CSEA will consult with the PCSA to identify if it is in the best interest of the child to redirect the child support order.
- (G) When the child is not in the legal custody of a PCSA and is in the placement of a caretaker other than a PCSA, the CSEA will determine whether the caretaker is the primary caregiver of the child.
- (1) When the CSEA determines that the caretaker is the primary caregiver of the child, the CSEA will:
- (a) Determine that a reason exists to redirect support to the caretaker; and
- (b) Proceed in accordance with rule 5101:12-60-60.1 of the Administrative Code.
- (2) When the CSEA determines that the caretaker is not the primary caregiver of the child, the CSEA will:
- (a) Determine that a reason does not exist to redirect support to the caretaker; and
- (b) Issue the JFS 07800, "Results of Investigation to Redirect the Child Support Order" (effective or



revised effective date as identified in rule 5101:12-60-99 of the Administrative Code) to the last known address of the person who requested the redirection.