



Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 5101:12-1-60 Expenditures eligible for federal financial participation reimbursement.

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(A) This rule describes the support enforcement program services and IV-D services for which a child support enforcement agency (CSEA) may request federal financial participation (FFP) reimbursement.

FFP reimbursement is available for reasonable and necessary CSEA expenditures for services and activities provided in a IV-D case and properly attributable to the operation of the support enforcement program. FFP reimbursement principles are based upon the general principles for determining allowable costs described in 2 C.F.R., subtitle A, chapter II, part 200 (12/26/2013) (circular A-87 of the federal office of management and budget). The current FFP reimbursement rate is sixty-six per cent.

(B) The following definition applies to this rule and its supplemental rule:

"Arrest" means taking an individual into physical custody pursuant to a court-issued process and transporting that person to the court that ordered his or her arrest. It does not include incarceration, arraignment, and other activities that may occur as the result of an arrest.

(C) CSEA expenditures for the following services are eligible for FFP reimbursement when provided in a IV-D case:

(1) Support enforcement program services, which include:

(a) Location services;

(b) Establishment of parentage;

(c) Establishment and modification of child support orders and medical support orders;



- (d) Enforcement of support orders;
- (e) Collection of support obligations; and
- (f) Any other actions appropriate to child support enforcement, which include but are not limited to:
 - (i) Monitoring the progress of program development and operations and evaluating the quality, efficiency, effectiveness, and scope of support enforcement program services available in the county;
 - (ii) The establishment of all necessary IV-D contracts with a private or governmental entity for the provision of IV-D services where the IV-D contract is established in accordance with rules 5101:12-1-80 to 5101:12-1-80.4 of the Administrative Code;
 - (iii) The direct cost of reasonable and essential short-term training provided to CSEA staff;
 - (iv) The development and maintenance of fiscal and program records and reports required to be made to the Ohio department of job and family services;
 - (v) Expenditures for general administrative costs (e.g., salaries, supplies, and equipment); and
 - (vi) The establishment and maintenance of case records.
- (2) IV-D services, which include:
 - (a) Federal income tax refund offset submittals for the collection of support arrears;
 - (b) Withholding of unemployment compensation for the payment of support;
 - (c) Requests to the internal revenue service for the disclosure of taxpayer information for use in establishing and collecting support obligations;
 - (d) Requests to the internal revenue service for the collection of delinquent support; and



(e) Requests to use the U.S. district courts when another state has failed to enforce an Ohio court support order.

(3) The purchase of IV-D services when the services are purchased under a IV-D contract in accordance with rules 5101:12-1-80 to 5101:12-1-80.4 of the Administrative Code, including but not limited to:

(a) Reasonable and essential short-term training of court and law enforcement staff assigned on a full- or part-time basis to support enforcement functions;

(b) Service of process and court filing fees when the court or law enforcement agency would normally be required to pay the cost of such fees;

(c) Costs incurred while making an arrest that is necessary to enforce a support obligation;

(d) Service of process fees, when the CSEA obtains written verification from the sheriff that the sheriff charges other agencies service of process fees; and

(e) Sheriff's office personnel and equipment costs, when the costs are necessary to complete service of process activities.

(D) The CSEA shall comply with the rules set forth in division 5101:9 of the Administrative Code.