



UIFSA 101 for Prosecutor Offices: A Guide for Intergovernmental Cases

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Session Description

- ▶ This session is for prosecutors and their staff. We will start with beginner level information on interstate/intergovernmental cases, both incoming and outgoing, with special emphasis on outgoing referrals. In Missouri, the prosecutor offices handle the cases for parents living in their county for outgoing referrals for paternity, establishment, and modification. Prosecutors also handle the incoming referrals for paternity and/or support and registrations of foreign judgments. We will discuss the law, the processes, creating the forms in MACSS, and some examples of how your office can effectively manage and handle these cases. Bring your questions and best practices to share!

Overview

- UIFSA—What is it?
- UIFSA Requirements
- Function Type of Cases and One- and Two-State Remedies
- Incoming Referrals
- Outgoing Referrals
- Preparing the Outgoing Referral
- Better Practices
- Resources
- Q&A



UIFSA—What is it?

Uniform Interstate Family Support Act (2008)

- History:
 - Uniform Law Commission IV-D started with URESA (Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act) in the 1950's
 - URESA changed to RURESА (Revised...) in 1968
 - Now we have UIFSA
 - First developed in 1992
 - Amended in 1996, 2001 and 2008
 - UIFSA 1996 and UIFSA 2008 versions were **mandated and uniform in all states**
 - 2014 Preventing Sex Trafficking and Strengthening Families Act
- Why have interstate laws?
 - One set of laws for families who move from State to State or have children living in a different state
 - We want one order at a time! Life before UIFSA was very difficult

It's a IV-D Requirement

- [Section 466\(f\)](#) of the Social Security Act
- [45 CFR § 302.36](#) Provision of services in intergovernmental IV–D cases.
- (a) The State plan shall provide that, in accordance with [§ 303.7 of this chapter](#), the State will extend the full range of services available under its IV–D plan to:
 - (1) Any other State;
 - (2) Any Tribal IV–D program operating under [§ 309.65\(a\) of this chapter](#); and
 - (3) Any country as defined in [§ 301.1 of this chapter](#).
- (b) The State plan shall provide that the State will establish a central registry for intergovernmental IV–D cases in accordance with the requirements set forth in [§ 303.7\(b\) of this chapter](#).

Missouri UIFSA Statutes

- MO's codification of UIFSA is found in RSMO 454.1500 – 454.1730
- It is set forth in Articles, which match UIFSA

Types of Child Support Cases

- **Intrastate** case – involves only one state where both parents live
- **One-state remedies** – involves one state taking action against parent in another state
- **Interstate** IV-D case – involves two states: initiating state and responding state
- **Intergovernmental** IV-D case – involves different jurisdictions and is handled by agencies; An intergovernmental IV-D case may include any combination of referrals between states, tribes, and foreign countries.
- **International** – involves at least one foreign country
 - See Definitions in [45 CFR 301.1](#)

Terms

- **Issuing state** (UIFSA) – state that issued support and/or parentage order
- **Custodial parent** (federal law) – parent receiving support
 - Obligee (UIFSA)
- **Noncustodial parent** (federal law) – parent paying support
 - Obligor (UIFSA)
 - UIFSA Section 102(13), (16), (17)
 - Section 466 of the Social Security Act
- **IV-D agency** (federal law) – agency in state administering IV-D program
 - Support enforcement agency (UIFSA)

More Terms

- **Central registry** is office/unit within IV-D agency that is responsible for:
 - Processing incoming two-state cases
 - Ensuring documentation is complete
 - Requesting any missing documentation
 - Sending case to local office or for locate services
 - Receiving and responding to inquiries
- **Initiating agency** (federal law) – IV-D agency where parent is receiving services
 - Services may include referral of case to responding agency
- **Responding agency** (federal law) – IV-D agency providing services in response to referral from initiating agency
- **Tribunal** (UIFSA) – court, IV-D agency, or quasi-judicial entity authorized to establish, enforce, or modify support orders or determine parentage
- References: 45 CFR 301.1, 45 CFR 303.7, UIFSA Sections 102(27), 103

Uniform Interstate Family Support Act

- UIFSA applies only to US States and Territories
- UIFSA requirements apply to all states in all incoming cases, including international cases coming from a foreign country*

But... **Full Faith and Credit for Child Support Orders Act (FFCCSOA)**

Federal Full Faith and Credit for Child Support Orders Act

- FFCCSOA ([28 U.S.C. § 1738B](#)) applies to Indian Tribes, States, DC and Territories
- Enacted 1994; Amended 2014
- [AT-02-03](#) Applicability of the Full Faith and Credit for Child Support Orders Act to States and Tribes
- Requires all courts to accord full faith and credit to child support order issued by another state or tribe

International Cases

- Do not use state Intergovernmental Forms for outgoing cases
- While UIFSA law applies in every state to incoming international cases, foreign countries do not have UIFSA for outgoing international cases from the U.S.
- Not every country meets the definition of “foreign country” under UIFSA. For example, China would not be a foreign country under either UIFSA or federal regulations for purposes of child support enforcement because China has not ratified the Hague Convention and does not have a reciprocal agreement with the U.S.

International Cases

- ▶ Hague Convention countries
 - ▶ 47 separate countries have signed
- ▶ Foreign reciprocating countries
 - ▶ US Department of Justice contracts with foreign countries
 - ▶ States may negotiate a contract with a foreign country



UIFSA Requirements

Provision of Services in Intergovernmental IV-D cases

- See [45 CFR 303.7](#)
- General
 - Use federally-approved forms in IV-D cases
 - Transmit requests for information and provide information electronically to the greatest extent possible
 - Cooperate with requests for limited services
- Central Registry
- Initiating State Responsibilities
- Responding State Responsibilities
- Payment and recovery of costs (R)
- Annual \$35 fee (I)

Central Registry

- Interstate IV-D case is sent to responding agency's central registry
- Federal regulations require within 10 working days of receiving case, central registry must:
 - Review documents for completeness
 - Acknowledge case has been received and, if necessary, request any missing documentation
 - Forward case to appropriate agency for processing or location services
 - Inform initiating agency where case was sent for action

Responding Agency Establishment Cases

Duties of responding agency:

- Accept and process case
- Provide services and apply laws as in intrastate cases including:
 - Determine parentage, if necessary
 - Establish support order under guidelines and provide underlying calculation for order
 - Pay costs

Responding Agency Enforcement Options

- Under UIFSA, responding agency has two options:
 - 1) Use administrative actions such as income withholding to enforce order without registration if “appropriate”
 - Noncustodial parent may contest – then responding agency must register
 - 2) Register order with tribunal

Responding Agency- Required Enforcement

- For all interstate IV-D enforcement actions, responding agency must use intrastate actions including:
 - Initiating income withholding
 - Monitoring compliance
 - Sending payments to initiating agency's SDU
 - Identifying any delinquency
 - Taking other enforcement actions as appropriate

Federal Law and Regulations

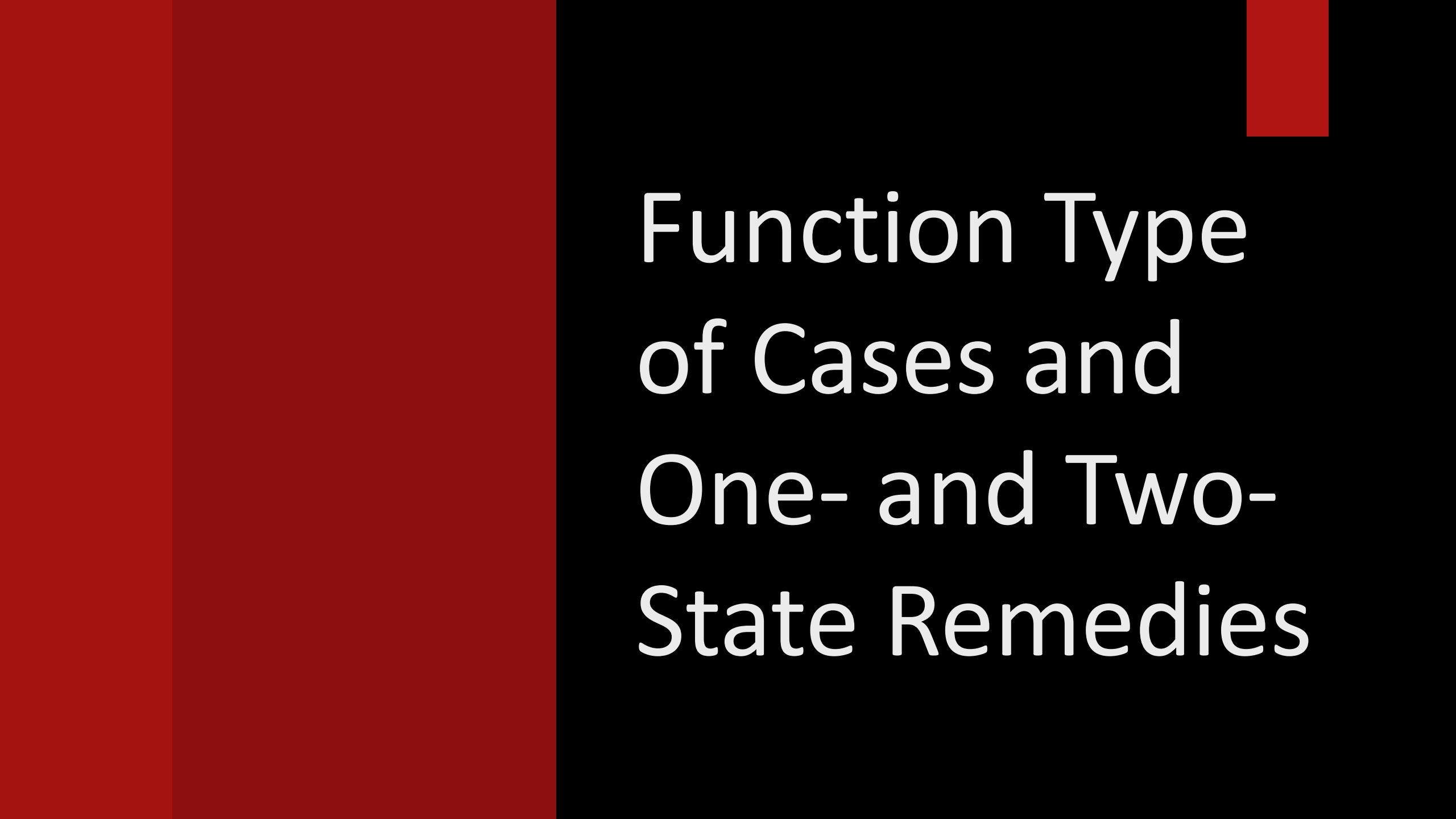
- Provide framework for processing cases
- Require interstate cooperation
- Allow both states in interstate IV-D cases to count payments as collections
- Require states to enact UIFSA 2008
- Require central registry
- Federal regulations generally apply only to IV-D cases

UIFSA Basics

- Complements federal requirements
- Applies to both IV-D and non-IV-D cases
- One order at a time!
- State that enters the order is “Issuing State”
- Issuing State has the “controlling order”
- Issuing State’s controlling order establishes the duration of support, even if modified later by another state
- References: UIFSA Sections 102(21), 206, 604, 611

UIFSA Basics

- States must recognize and enforce controlling order
- Controlling order can be enforced in any state, even if parties leave issuing state
- Registration is key concept for enforcement
- References: UIFSA Sections 102(21), 206, 602, 603



Function Type of Cases and One- and Two- State Remedies

Establishment

Establishment Basics

- UIFSA provides establishment of:
 - Parentage
 - Child support
 - Spousal support
- State with jurisdiction that enters order is issuing state and its order controls
- Once controlling order is issued, no other tribunal may issue new (additional) support order
- References: UIFSA Sections 201, 204, 401

Interstate Establishment Options

- If noncustodial parent lives in another state, IV-D agency has two options to establish parentage or support order:
 - One-state remedies through long-arm jurisdiction
 - Interstate IV-D case
- References: UIFSA Sections 201, 304, 305 and 45 CFR 303.7(c), (d)

Establishment: One-State

- Long-arm jurisdiction:
 - UIFSA section 201 and [45 CFR 303.7\(c\)\(3\)](#)
 - Personal jurisdiction
 - Describes when state can extend its “arm” to take action against person in another state



Personal Jurisdiction over Non-Resident RSMo 454.1515

- Personally served within the state
- Individual submits to the jurisdiction of MO by consent
- Resided in MO with the child
- Resided in MO and provided prenatal expenses or support
- Child resides in MO as a result of the acts or directives of non-resident
- **the individual engaged in sexual intercourse in Missouri and the child may have been conceived by that act of intercourse**
- the individual asserted parentage of a child in the putative father registry administered in MO; or
- there is any other basis consistent with the constitutions of MO and the United States for the exercise of personal jurisdiction

Establishment Using Long-Arm Jurisdiction

- If state exercises long-arm jurisdiction, tribunal will apply its:
 - State guideline to determine amount of support
 - But use the AF's state's minimum wage to impute
 - State law to determine parentage if necessary
 - State law to determine other issues
- State has CEJ as long as parent or child resides in order-issuing state
- References: UIFSA Sections 205, 210, 611

One-State Establishment Procedures

- Physical presence of nonresident parent is not required for establishment
- Evidence may include:
 - Affidavit
 - Electronic documents
- Tribunal must permit nonresident parent to testify by telephone, audiovisual, or other means at designated tribunal or other location

Establishment: Two-State Interstate IV-D Case

- State must initiate interstate IV-D case if:
 - No personal jurisdiction or
 - One-state remedies are not appropriate or successful
- In interstate IV-D establishment case, state providing services to one parent sends case to state with personal jurisdiction over the other parent
 - Usually where the other parent resides

Modification

Modification Basics

- Once tribunal with jurisdiction establishes support order, it is controlling order
 - Initial controlling order determines duration
- Controlling order continues until:
 - Fully complied with or
 - Modified in accordance with UIFSA

Off-Limits Modification

Modification of controlling child support order is not allowed except under UIFSA rules

Modification of spousal support order is never allowed in any state but issuing state

#1: Parent or Child in Issuing State

- UIFSA modification rules:
 - If either parent or child lives in issuing state, **only issuing state can modify order**
 - Exception: parents consent in record with issuing tribunal to shift modification jurisdiction
 - CEJ based on residence at time modification request is filed
- Reference: UIFSA Section 205

#2: No Parent or Child in Issuing State

- If neither parent nor child lives in issuing state, issuing state cannot modify order
 - Exception: parents consent in record or in open court for issuing tribunal to retain jurisdiction
- Reference: UIFSA Section 205

#3: Parents in Same New State

- If parents live in same state and child does not live in issuing state, new state may register and modify order
- Certified copy of new order must be filed with tribunal that issued original order
- References: UIFSA Sections 613, 614

#4: “Play Away”

- If neither parent nor child lives in issuing state, and parents live in different states, parent seeking modification must “play away”
- Order will be registered for modification in other parent’s state
- Reference: UIFSA Section 611

Modification Laws

- Tribunal in the responding agency's state applies its laws to determine:
 - Requirements, procedures, and defenses to modification
 - Support amount
 - Reference: UIFSA Sections 611, 613

Modification Laws and CEJ

- Registering tribunal applies laws of original issuing state to determine duration of support
- Once order is modified, registering tribunal assumes CEJ
- Registering tribunal governs the interest rate on arrears on the case going forward
- If order is not modified, registering tribunal does not assume CEJ
- Reference: UIFSA Sections 611, 610

Enforcement

Enforcement Basics

- Once support order is established, all states have authority to enforce the order
- Certain enforcement actions depend on whether state has jurisdiction
- Controlling order continues until:
 - fully complied with or
 - is modified in accordance with UIFSA
- U.S. order enforceable in other countries

Enforcement Options

- Issuing state has two options to enforce order:
 - One-state remedies
 - Interstate IV-D case referral
- Issuing state makes decision on one-state or interstate case based on facts
- IV-D agency may enforce spousal support if part of child support order

Enforcement: One-State

- Income withholding
 - IV-D agency sends income withholding notice to employer in its state
 - Employer deducts support from paycheck and sends support to State Disbursement Unit (SDU)
- Direct income withholding
 - Authority within UIFSA and federal law
 - IV-D agency sends income withholding notice to employer in another state

Enforcement: One-State

- Direct income withholding (cont.)
 - No personal jurisdiction required
 - Must be on federal OMB-approved income withholding form

Enforcement Two-State

- The initiating state cannot require the responding state to register the order.
- Responding state processes and enforces using appropriate remedies it applies in its local cases
- UIFSA section 507, Administrative Enforcement of Orders, allows a responding state to initiate administrative enforcement procedures without first registering the order.

Contesting Registration

- If there is a challenge to the alleged arrears, a tribunal in the responding state can determine the arrearage amount based on evidence presented under UIFSA section 305, Duties and Powers of the Responding Tribunal
- UIFSA section 606 provides that a nonregistering party may seek to assert any defense to an allegation of noncompliance with the registered order or the amount of any alleged arrearages pursuant to section 607.

Contesting Registration, cont.

- UIFSA section 607(a) lists the possible defenses available to a party contesting the validity or enforcement of a registered order. One of the defenses is that full or partial payment has been made.
- If a party presents evidence establishing that defense, the tribunal in the responding state may, under UIFSA section 305(b)(4), determine the correct arrearage amount. In doing so, UIFSA section 604, Choice of Law, requires the tribunal in the responding state to apply the law of the issuing state regarding the computation of arrearages and accrual of interest on the arrears.
- See RSMO 454.1632 to 454.1641 and 454.1644 to 454.1653

Interest

- UIFSA does not require that arrears or the interest accruing on such arrears be reduced to a sum certain money judgment before a state can request registration for enforcement of such arrears and interest.
- As long as the initiating state has provided the responding state with a certified statement by the custodian of the records showing the amount of arrearages, the initiating state has complied with the registration requirement in UIFSA section 602.

Choice of Law

► Issuing State

- governs the nature, extent, amount, and duration of current payments under a registered order
- governs the computation and payment of arrears, and accrual of interest on the arrears, under the order

Responding State

- Its own laws and guidelines to establish a new order of support
- procedures and remedies for enforcing current support and collecting arrears and interest are governed by the law of the registering state.

Choice of Law

- Section 604(b) provides that the statute of limitation of the issuing state or the registering state, whichever is longer, applies.
- RSMO [454.1641\(b\)](#)

Incoming Referrals

Incoming Processes

- ▶ Referral is received in the MO Central Registry
- ▶ Assigned to the county to handle, based on the address of the AF or NCP

Evidence—Incoming

- Attachments
- UIFSA, Section 316: Special Rules Of Evidence And Procedure
- RSMO 454.1593
- (b) An affidavit, a document substantially complying with federally mandated forms, or a document incorporated by reference in any of them which would not be excluded under the hearsay rule if given in person, is admissible in evidence if given under penalty of perjury by a party or witness residing outside this state.

Section 316: Special Rules Of Evidence And Procedure

- (c) A copy of the record of child support payments **certified as a true copy of the original** by the custodian of the record may be forwarded to a responding tribunal. The copy is evidence of facts asserted in it, and is admissible to show whether payments were made.

Courts and Documents

- ▶ UIFSA Section 316. Special Rules of Evidence and Procedure, [RSMO 454.1593](#)
- ▶ (e) Documentary evidence transmitted from outside this state to a tribunal of this state by telephone, telecopier, or other electronic means that do not provide an original record may not be excluded from evidence on an objection based on the means of transmission.
- ▶ ***
- ▶ (j) A voluntary acknowledgment of parentage, certified as a true copy, is admissible to establish parentage of the child.

Courts—Help teach them

- Understanding UIFSA law
 - Shall allow out of state party to appear telephonically
 - Shall not address issues of custody and visitation

Out of State Applicant Not Required to Appear

- Section 316: Special Rules Of Evidence And Procedure
- [RSMO 454.1593](#)
- (a) The physical presence of a nonresident party who is an individual in a tribunal of this state is not required for the establishment, enforcement, or modification of a support order or the rendition of a judgment determining parentage of a child.

Out of State Applicant Not Required to Appear

- Section 316. Special Rules of Evidence and Procedure
- [RSMO 454.1593](#)

(f) In a proceeding under sections 454.1500 to 454.1728, a tribunal of this state shall permit a party or witness residing outside this state to be deposed or to testify under penalty of perjury by telephone, audiovisual means, or other electronic means at a designated tribunal or other location. A tribunal of this state shall cooperate with other tribunals in designating an appropriate location for the deposition or testimony.

No Orders for Custody and Visitation

- ▶ Section 104. Remedies Cumulative [RSMO 454.1509](#)
- ▶ (a) Remedies provided by sections 454.1500 to 454.1728 are cumulative and do not affect the availability of remedies under other law or the recognition of a foreign support order on the basis of comity.
- ▶ (b) Sections 454.1500 to 454.1728 do not:
 - ▶ (1) provide the exclusive method of establishing or enforcing a support order under the law of this state; or
 - ▶ (2) grant a tribunal of this state jurisdiction to render judgment or issue an order relating to child custody, visitation, or parenting time in a proceeding under sections 454.1500 to 454.1728.

IV-D Attorneys

- What kind of issues can cause a delay in setting up hearings or create problems during court proceedings?
 - Forms
 - Evidence
 - Child support agencies
 - Judges
- Delays with problems with the referral, delays in getting updated evidence to calculate guidelines, and delays by courts dismissing the action and making us start all over again.

Incoming UIFSA Cases to MO – PATE/ESTA

- ▶ File the OCSS intergovernmental forms and no additional pleadings
 - ▶ May have local rules for confidential information forms to add
- ▶ Apply MO Form 14 to calculate child support
- ▶ Enter your order (no special forms for orders)

Incoming UIFSA Referrals --ENFO

- ▶ If these ever reach the PAO, it is probably to register it for enforcement, and then keep it to file civil contempt.
- ▶ If you use file criminal non-support cases in your county, you may try to enforce it if the case meets the criteria
 - ▶ Issues: if your court will not bind felony case over if the CP does not appear in person for a preliminary hearing

OUTGOING REFERRALS

PA Requirements under the Code of State Regulations

- ▶ 13 CSR 40-108.010(3)
 - ▶ Sections (A) and (B) state that federal funds are available to the PA Offices for making referrals to other states' child support enforcement agencies to establish paternity and the establishment or modification of support orders, when necessary

PA Requirements under the FSD Cooperative Agreement

- ▶ 3.2.6. The PA shall utilize the Electronic Document Exchange (EDE) application on the federal Child Support Portal to send outgoing Uniform Interstate Family Support Act (UIFSA) referrals to other state support agencies. If [other] the state does not utilize EDE, the PA shall mail the referral.

OUTGOING REFERRALS BY PAOS

▶ History

- ▶ Because the outing referrals for paternity, establishment, and modification necessitated the cooperation of the CP or applicant, then the PAO would be a better helper for the CP or applicant, because the PAO are in every county, and the FSD offices are not.

PREPARING THE OUTGOING UIFSA REFERRAL

Referrals from FSD for Outgoing UIFSA Referral

- ▶ Make sure your office has updated their PA referral checklist so that FSD knows what you need
- ▶ Referral requirements will be about the same as if you were to complete a local referral
 - ▶ REALLY need certified copies of 465, Birth Certificate
 - ▶ May be less important if those documents are filed in the responding state

Applying the Law to the Facts of Your Case

▶ Paternity

- ▶ Does MO have jurisdiction over all the parties?
- ▶ Were you able to serve the AF out of state when you filed a local case?
- ▶ If both answers are no, do an outgoing UIFSA referral

Applying the Law to the Facts of Your Case

- ▶ Referrals for a Modification
 - ▶ Who is the issuing state?
 - ▶ Where are the parties?
 - ▶ Who wants the modification?

Limited Services

- ▶ If you have decided that you want to do a long-arm establishment action or MO has CEJ for the modification, but the other party resides out of MO, you can send a referral to the other state for help.

Kinds of Limited Services

- ▶ Quick locate
- ▶ Service of process
- ▶ Assistance with discovery and genetic testing
- ▶ Teleconference hearings
- ▶ Administrative reviews
- ▶ High-volume automated administrative enforcement
- ▶ Copies of court orders and payment records



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CEJ

454.1527. Continuing, exclusive jurisdiction to modify child support orders.
— (a) A tribunal of this state that has issued a child support order consistent with the law of this state has and shall exercise continuing, exclusive jurisdiction to modify its child support order if the order is the controlling order and:

(1) at the time of the filing of a request for modification this state is the residence of the obligor, the individual obligee, or the child for whose benefit the support order is issued; or

(2) even if this state is not the residence of the obligor, the individual obligee, or the child for whose benefit the support order is issued, the parties consent in a record or in open court that the tribunal of this state may continue to exercise jurisdiction to modify its order.



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CEJ, 454.1527

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(b) A tribunal of this state that has issued a child support order consistent with the law of this state may not exercise continuing, exclusive jurisdiction to modify the order if:

(1) all of the parties who are individuals file consent in a record with the tribunal of this state that a tribunal of another state that has jurisdiction over at least one of the parties who is an individual or that is located in the state of residence of the child may modify the order and assume continuing, exclusive jurisdiction; or

(2) its order is not the controlling order.

(c) If a tribunal of another state has issued a child support order pursuant to the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act or a law substantially similar to that Act which modifies a child support order of a tribunal of this state, tribunals of this state shall recognize the continuing, exclusive jurisdiction of the tribunal of the other state.



MOVE AROUND #1

- Divorce Order in NE
- All parties live in MO

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WHERE TO FILE THE MOD?



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454.1668. Jurisdiction to modify child support order of another state when individual parties reside in this state. — (a) If all of the parties who are individuals reside in this state and the child does not reside in the issuing state, a tribunal of this state has jurisdiction to enforce and to modify the issuing state's child support order in a proceeding to register that order.

(b) A tribunal of this state exercising jurisdiction under this section shall apply the provisions of Articles 1 and 2, sections 454.1500 to 454.1545; this article, sections 454.1632 to 454.1677, and the procedural and substantive law of this state to the proceeding for enforcement or modification. Article 3, sections 454.1548 to 454.1602; Article 4, sections 454.1605 to 454.1608; Article 5, sections 454.1611 to 454.1629, Article 7, sections 454.1680 to 454.1716; and Article 8, sections 454.1719 to 454.1722, do not apply.



MOVE AROUND #2

- Divorce Order in NE
- Oblige Parent Mom and child live in MO
- Obligor Parent Dad lives in IL

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+ WHERE TO FILE THE MOD?

454.1662. Modification of child support order of another state. — (a) If section 454.1668 does not apply, upon petition a tribunal of this state may modify a child support order issued in another state **which is registered in this state if**, after notice and hearing, the tribunal finds that:

(1) the following requirements are met:

(A) neither the child, nor the obligee who is an individual, nor the obligor resides in the issuing state;

(B) a petitioner who is a nonresident of this state seeks modification; and

(C) the respondent is subject to the personal jurisdiction of the tribunal of this state; or

(2) this state is the residence of the child, or a party who is an individual is subject to the personal jurisdiction of the tribunal of this state, and all of the parties who are individuals have filed consents in a record in the issuing tribunal for a tribunal of this state to modify the support order and assume continuing, exclusive jurisdiction.



MOVE AROUND #2

- Divorce Order in NE
- Oblige Parent Mom and child live in MO
- Obligor Parent Dad lives in IL

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DURATION OF PJ

454.1518. Duration of personal jurisdiction. — Personal jurisdiction acquired by a tribunal of this state in a proceeding under sections 454.1500 to 454.1728 or other law of this state relating to a support order continues as long as a tribunal of this state has continuing, exclusive jurisdiction to modify its order or continuing jurisdiction to enforce its order as provided by sections 454.1527, 454.1530, and 454.1545.



MOVE AROUND #1

- Divorce Order in NE
- All parties live in MO

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• VENUE WHEN ALL RESIDE IN SAME STATE

- Obligee Parent Mom and child live in Newton County
- Payor Parent Dad lives in Cedar County
- Still play away rule



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MOVE AROUND #3

- Divorce Order in NE
- Oblige Parent Mom and child live in MO
- Obligor Parent Dad lives in Scotland (not military)
- [454.1662\(f\)](#)



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WHAT CAN BE MODIFIED?

454.1662. Modification of child support order of another state. — (b) Modification of a **registered** child support order is subject to the same requirements, procedures, and defenses that apply to the modification of an order issued by a tribunal of this state and the order may be enforced and satisfied in the same manner.

(c) **A tribunal of this state may not modify any aspect of a child support order that may not be modified under the law of the issuing state, including the duration of the obligation of support.** If two or more tribunals have issued child support orders for the same obligor and same child, the order that controls and must be so recognized under section 454.1533 establishes the aspects of the support order which are nonmodifiable.

(d) **In a proceeding to modify a child support order, the law of the state that is determined to have issued the initial controlling order governs the duration of the obligation of support.** The obligor's fulfillment of the duty of support established by that order precludes imposition of a further obligation of support by a tribunal of this state.

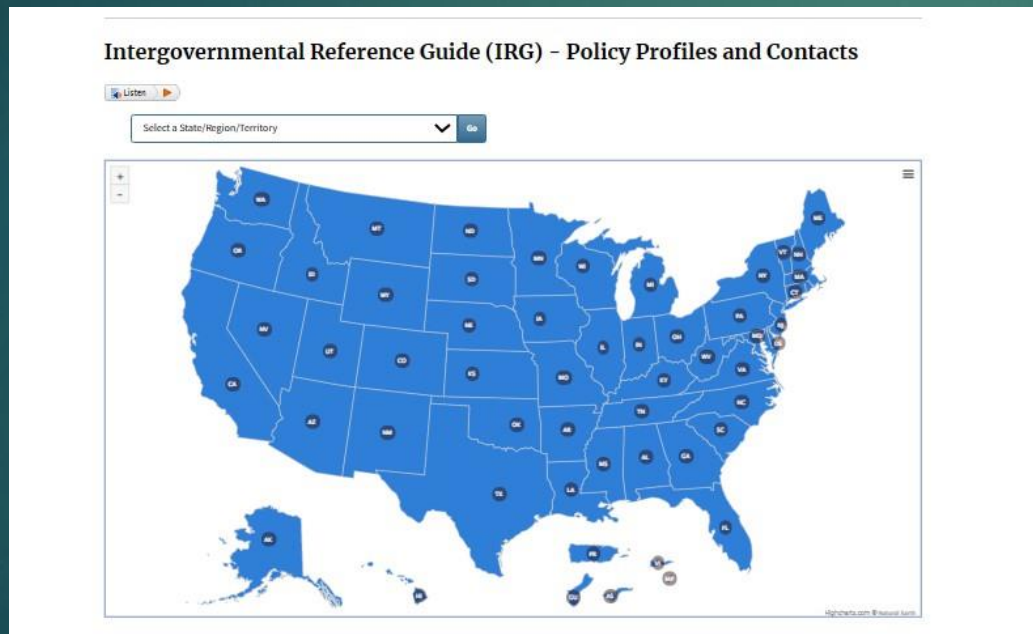
(e) On the issuance of an order by a tribunal of this state modifying a child support order issued in another state, the tribunal of this state becomes the tribunal having continuing, exclusive jurisdiction.

OCSS TOOLS

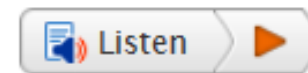
We all don't do it the same way!

Intergovernmental Child Support Enforcement Forms

Query Interstate Cases for Kids (QUICK)



CSENet In



Version 8.0

CSENet

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- ▶ Also known as Child Support Enforcement Network
- ▶ First federal interstate application; implemented in 1992
- ▶ Guidance document: <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/css/resource/csenet-interface-guidance-document>
- ▶ Love it or Hate it
- ▶ [FSD CSENet instructions](#)

State Services Portal Tools (SSP)

- ▶ IRG—Intergovernmental Reference Guide
 - ▶ also available on the OCSS website, but some limitations
- ▶ QUICK—Query Interstate Cases for Kids
- ▶ FCR—Federal Case Registry
- ▶ EDE—Electronic Document Exchange
- ▶ Communication Center

1 **The Portal Welcome page has a new look!** For states that have enabled the applications, easily access new Communication Center messages, Locate and DoD Entitlement responses, and EDE responses from the new dashboards. Use the Feedback tool to tell us what you think!

Child Support Portal

Welcome, Lara Fors | [Profile](#) | [Log Out](#)

Home **--Select Application--** ^ Feedback FAQ

SSN OR Case ID [Search](#)

- DoD Entitlement
- eEmployer
- Electronic Document Exchange
- FCR Query
- Intergovernmental Reference Guide
- Locate
- Query Interstate Cases for Kids

Requesting County FIPS	Responding State Case ID	Resp State	Document Type	Request Date	Days Remaining	Status	Action
<p>Locate Information.</p>							
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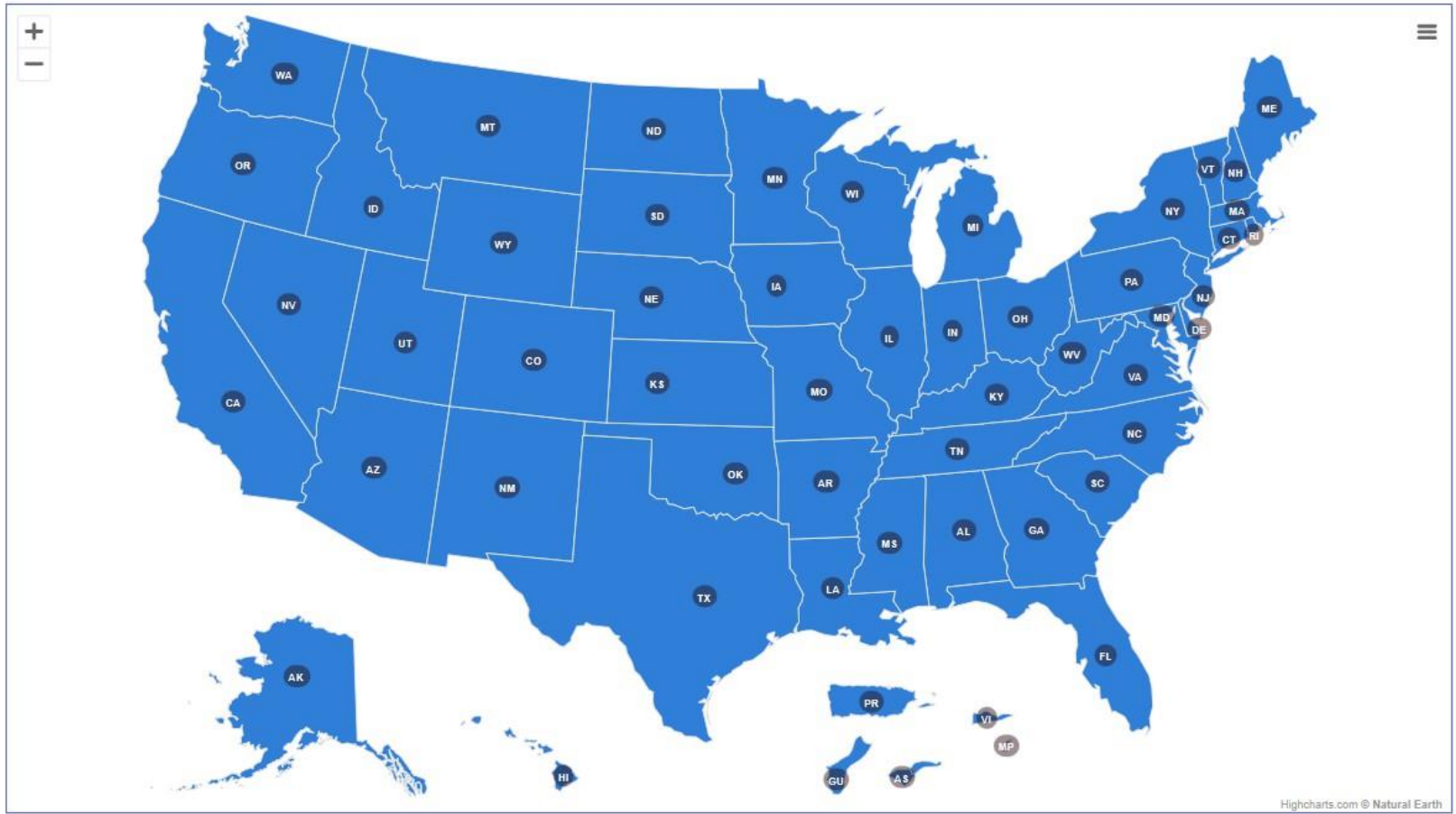
Intergovernmental Reference Guide (IRG)

- Most familiar to gather both interstate and intrastate information
- Users access state, tribal, international, and federal child support profile and contact information
- From the IRG profiles, users can get detailed requirements for other states or tribes before sending or working a case referral. Through the IRG, you can find a state's age of majority, interest rate, prior support time frames, and whether that state does cost of living adjustments (COLA) to orders.
- Download specific data for use in your state. For example, download a specific profile question to see how every state answered, such as age of majority.

Intergovernmental Reference Guide (IRG) - Policy Profiles and Contacts

Listen

Select a State/Region/Territory Go



Intergovernmental Reference Guide

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IRG Home Exchange Agreements Profile Query Downloads Resources

Profile Contact

State International Tribe OCSS

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Go

 Missouri

State Child Support Website

Program Category:

----SELECT ALL----

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Certified On: 26 Aug 2024

State Profile Query

[State Questions](#)[Tribal Questions](#)[Select State](#)

(All States are selected by default)

Program Category:

---Select One---

1. General Program-At-A-Glance
2. Duration Of Support
3. Statute Of Limitations
4. Support Details
5. Paternity/Parentage
6. Support Order Establishment
7. Income Withholding
8. Distribution
9. Enforcement
10. Modification And Review/Adjustment
11. Lump Sum Payments
12. Cost Recovery And Fees
13. Insurance Match
14. Family Violence
15. CSENet
16. Copies Of Orders And Payment Records
17. Uniform Interstate Family Support Act (UIFSA)
18. International - Reciprocity
19. International Information For Hague Convention Countries
20. International Payments

Type: State County Region

Address Type:

-Select- ▼

City:

-Select- ▼

Zip Code:

-Select- ▼

Last Name:

-Select- ▼

Search

First Name	Last Name	Address Type	Department	Phone	Action
		Automated Interstate Case Payment Requests Contact	Automated Interstate Case Payment Requests	8002250530	View
		Bureau of Vital Statistics Contact	Bureau of Vital Records	5737516387	View
Katherine	McKenna-York	Central Registry Contact	Family Support Division	5737514224	View
		Collection and Distribution Contact	Family Support Division	5737513221	View
Joan	Kuhn	Continuing Exclusive Jurisdiction Contact	Policy Development Unit	5735263546	View
Circuit Clerk		Copy of Order Contact		0000000000	View
Joan	Kuhn	CSENet Contact	Family Support Division	5735263546	View
		Customer Service Contact	Family Support Division	8663139960	View
Donna	Morgan	Direct Deposit Contact		5737619399	View



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Profile Query

State Questions

Tribal Questions

Select State

(All States are selected by default)

Program Category:

2. Duration Of Support



Profile Questions

- 1. What is the duration of support in your state? Include the age of majority when the support obligation ends in the absence of other factors. Include your state's statutory citation(s).
- 2. If not addressed in the order, at what age is child support automatically terminated as a matter of state law? Qualify, if necessary.
- 3. Does the date of the order determine the law that is applied to the duration of support? If yes, describe.
- 4. Does your state law allow support to be paid beyond the age of majority under certain circumstances (for example, if the

Select State (All States are selected by default)

Program Category:

2. Duration Of Support

Profile Query Response

State	1. What is the duration of support in your state? Include the age of majority when the support obligation ends in the absence of other factors. Include your state's statutory citation(s).
Alabama	Age of majority. Age of majority is 19. Code of Alabama 1975,§26-1-1 Url: No Link Provided.
Alaska	If the order does not specify otherwise the order duration is 18. It can be extended to age 19 or the date of graduation, whichever comes first, if unmarried and pursuing a high school diploma or equivalent level of technical or vocational training & residing with custodial parent, guardian or designee of the parent or guardian. The order will require modification to add Post Majority support language if not already in the order. AS 25.20.010,AS 25.24.140(a)(3), 25.24.170(a) Url: http://www.akleg.gov/basis/statutes.asp#25.20.020
American Samoa	No response available. Url: No Link Provided.
Arizona	Current child support ends when a child reaches the age of majority (18). Current child support shall only continue while the child is attending high school or a certified equivalency program. Current support shall end when the child graduates or turns 19, whichever comes first. A.R.S 25-501 & A.R.S 25-503 (E), (F), (P) Url: https://www.azleg.gov/arsDetail/?title=25
Arkansas	The noncustodial parent's obligation automatically terminates by operation of law when the child reaches age 18, unless the child is still attending high school. If the child is attending high school, upon the child's high school graduation or the end of the school year after the child reaches 19 years of age, whichever is earlier. Support may be extended by court order. Url: https://advance.lexis.com/container?

Return to Questions

Print PDF

Query Interstate Cases for Kids (QUICK)

- First interstate application on the OCSS Portal, developed in 2005
- Allows workers in one state to view the latest financial and case information in another state's automated system.
- Workers can view case participants and financial information, including the monthly obligation, arrearages, noncustodial parent payment summary, and disbursement summary.
- Provides links to the IRG and the EDE applications
- Can view data from other states' systems that cannot be retrieved from other sources, such as the out-of-wedlock indicator or payments and disbursements
- **The biggest advantage to using QUICK is that the requesting state does not need to contact a worker in another state for information.**
- Status by state: [QUICK State Status | The Administration for Children and Families \(hhs.gov\)](#)

Welcome to Query Interstate Cases for Kids

Query State

Find Case ID

I have the Case ID for the state that I want to query.

* Requesting State Case ID ?

* State you want to query

-SELECT- ▾

* Responding State Case ID ?


* Data you want to view

-SELECT- ▾


Case ID Matrix

Submit

Clear

* Requesting State Case ID 

* State you want to query

* Responding State Case ID 

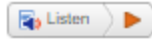
Case ID Matrix

* Data you want to view

- SELECT-
- Financial
- Case Participants
- Case Activities
- Contact Information

Notice - Access to Query Interstate Cases for Kids (QUICK) is limited to authorized IV-D personnel and subject to safeguards that are applicable to all confidential information handled by the state agency and designed to protect the privacy rights of the parties. [42 U.S.C. § 654 (26)]. QUICK data shall be used for informational purposes only.

QUICK State Status



Publication Date: June 10, 2022 Current as of: July 24, 2024

Using QUICK: 50 states & territories

Financial and Case Activities modules: 40

Alabama
Alaska
Arkansas
California
Colorado
Delaware
Florida
Georgia
Guam
Idaho
Illinois
Indiana
Iowa

Kansas
Kentucky
Louisiana
Maine
Maryland
Massachusetts
Michigan
Minnesota
Mississippi
Missouri
Nebraska
Nevada
New Hampshire

New Jersey
New Mexico
North Dakota
Ohio
Oklahoma
Oregon
Puerto Rico
South Carolina
South Dakota
Tennessee
Texas
Utah
Virginia
Wyoming

Financial module: 10

Arizona
Connecticut
District of Columbia
New York

North Carolina
Pennsylvania
Vermont

Washington
West Virginia
Wisconsin

Developing QUICK: None

Financial and Case Activities modules: 0

Not Using QUICK: 4 states & territories

Hawaii
Montana

Rhode Island
Virgin Islands

Federal Case Registry (FCR) Query

- The Federal Case Registry is a national database that contains case and participant information from all child support agencies.
- The FCR Query application provides a way for users to view information directly from the FCR, even if they don't have that case or participant registered on the FCR in their state.
- This is why the FCR Query application is such an effective tool to use during the case initiation process. FCR Query also allows you to access participant and case information from states that are not using QUICK.

CHILD SUPPORT PORTAL

[HOME](#) [FCR QUERY ▾](#) [FEEDBACK](#)

[Query By SSN](#)

[Query By Case ID](#)

Query by SSN

* Indicates required field

SSN Query

SSN *

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Electronic Document Exchange (EDE)

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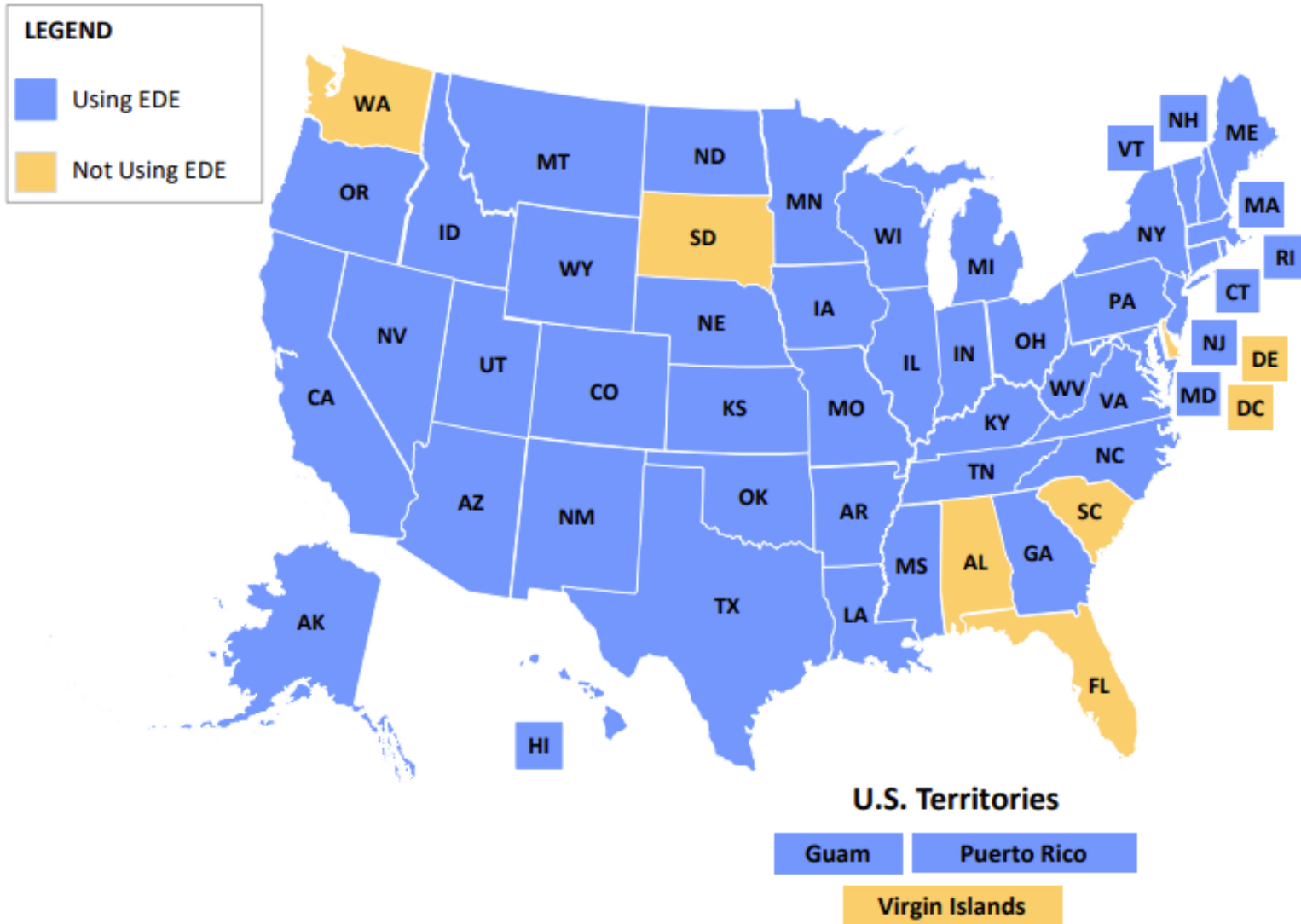
- ▶ AKA – an intergovernmental worker’s best friend
- ▶ Launched in 2012 and is the most recent of the interstate tools in the toolbox on the Portal.
- ▶ Allows for the exchange of forms and FTI data
- ▶ 46 states and territories currently using

Electronic Document Exchange (EDE)

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- ▶ Allows for quick turn around times
- ▶ Examples:
 - ▶ Request docs
 - ▶ Respond to requests
 - ▶ Send unsolicited docs
- ▶ [PIQ-18-01](#) Electronic Documents and Tribunals under UIFSA Section 316, April 25, 2018

Electronic Document Exchange (EDE) State Status Map and Information



The map above shows states using EDE. For the states using EDE, see the available documents below.

States and Territories Using EDE: 46

CHILD SUPPORT PORTAL

HOME

ELECTRONIC DOCUMENT EXCHANGE ▾

FEEDBACK

FAQ

Request Documents

Query FCR

Respond to Requests

View Responses


Upload Unsolicited Documents

View Unsolicited Documents Sent

Download Unsolicited Documents

Reports

Request Documents


 Notification will be sent to the email address below when a response is received.

Select Request Criteria

* Indicates a required field

Requesting State Information

Case ID *

County FIPS 

List Counties

Email

lara.w.fors@dss.mo.gov



Responding State Information

Case ID *

State *

Child Support Portal— Communication Center

- Secure email system, so can share PII and FTI appropriately
- Managed by OCSS
- Available to states, employers, insurers, and financial institutions
- Great way to talk to workers in the other state! (and can send attachments)
- MO does not have this—at least I don't!

Tribal Differences

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- ▶ Tribes do not have to adopt UIFSA
- ▶ FFCCSOA applies to tribes (part of 'state' definition)
- ▶ Tribes may use the OCSS intergovernmental forms
- ▶ All Tribes do not have access to all the IG tools
- ▶ Tribes have their own IRG

3. Intergovernmental Referral Process

1. What information does your tribe require to establish a paternity order?

Transmittal #1 (Initial), Confidential Addendum, Mother's affidavit. The Ho-Chunk Nation will request genetic testing on all paternities.

2. What information does your tribe require to establish a child support order?

Transmittal #1 (Initial), Confidential Addendum, Birth Certificate is born outside of WI, Parenting plan if one exist, and income information.

3. What information does your tribe require to recognize a foreign order for enforcement?

Transmittal # 1 (initial), Confidential addendum, an authenticated copy of the foreign court order, an income withholding order that corresponds to the foreign court order, a signed certified arrears statement or affidavit that clearly delineates what the arrears are made up of. The Ho-Chunk Nation cannot intercept per capita payments for interest or fees. PLEASE NOTE THAT THE HO-CHUNK NATION DOES NOT HAVE ANY PER CAPITA AT THIS TIME. UNLESS A PERSON IS AN EMPLOYEE, WE CANNOT REGISTER YOUR COURT ORDER.

For Additional Information - No Link Provided

4. Do you accept electronic copies?

NO.

For Additional Information - No Link Provided

5. Can other tribes or states send a wage withholding order directly to a tribal employer?

NO. All wage withholding orders must be processed through the CSA with the above listed information.

For Additional Information - No Link Provided

OCSS Policy

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- ▶ Contact Information for State and Tribal Child Support Agencies
- ▶ About QUICK
- ▶ Updated Interstate Child Support Policy, AT-20-14
- ▶ Questions and Answers on Working Child Support Cases with Canada
- ▶ Judicial Bench Cards for UIFSA and Hague Convention Cases

OCSS Intergovernmental Forms

Forms Galore!

- [Intergovernmental Child Support Enforcement Forms | The Administration for Children and Families \(hhs.gov\)](#)
- [INTERGOVERNMENTAL FORMS MATRIX \(hhs.gov\)](#)
- [Intergovernmental Reference Guide \(IRG\) - Policy Profiles and Contacts | The Administration for Children and Families \(hhs.gov\)](#)
- [Hague Child Support Convention Forms | The Administration for Children and Families \(hhs.gov\)](#) AT-17-06

1. **Child Support Agency Confidential Information.pdf** — Safeguards the privacy of individuals by providing a means to record their personal identifiable information on a separate document that is not to be filed with a tribunal or shared with the other party
2. **Child Support Locate Request.pdf** — Used by a IV-D agency for requesting locate information from another state if a CSENet agreement is not in place
3. **Declaration in Support of Establishing Parentage.pdf** — Supplements the Uniform Support Petition when parentage is at issue in an intergovernmental case
4. **General Testimony.pdf** — Provides a framework for stating detailed information and evidence to support the action requested in the petition
General Testimony Instructions.pdf — Provides instructions for stating the detailed information and evidence to support the action requested in the petition
5. **Letter of Transmittal Requesting Registration.pdf** — Completed by initiating jurisdiction to request registration of an existing order for enforcement and/or modification
6. **Notice of Determination of Controlling Order.pdf** — Provides a standard format for alerting entities in other jurisdictions about a controlling order determination
7. **Personal Information Form For UIFSA 311.pdf** — Records, in a separate document, the personal identifiable information required by UIFSA § 311, eliminating repetition of the required personal identifiable information in the Uniform Support Petition, Declaration in Support of Parentage, and General Testimony
8. **Child Support Agency Request for Change of Support Payment Location Pursuant to UIFSA § 319.pdf** — Used by a child support agency, under specific limited circumstances allowed under UIFSA § 319(b), to change the payment location of a support order issued by another state, or to respond to such a request
9. **Child Support Enforcement Transmittal #1 — Initial Request.pdf** — A “cover letter” required to refer IV-D interstate cases to a responding state’s central registry
10. **Child Support Enforcement Transmittal #1 — Acknowledgment.pdf** — Provides a standard format for a responding child support agency to acknowledge receipt of a Transmittal #1 request and to notify the initiating agency of any additional forms or information needed
11. **Child Support Enforcement Transmittal #2 — Subsequent Actions.pdf** — Used by the initiating or responding jurisdiction to request/provide additional information in previously referred cases
12. **Child Support Enforcement Transmittal #3 — Request for Assistance/Discovery.pdf** — Used when the requesting jurisdiction is working its case locally and needs limited assistance from another jurisdiction
13. **Uniform Support Petition.pdf** — Legal pleading needed for the responding state to initiate action

INTERGOVERNMENTAL FORMS MATRIX

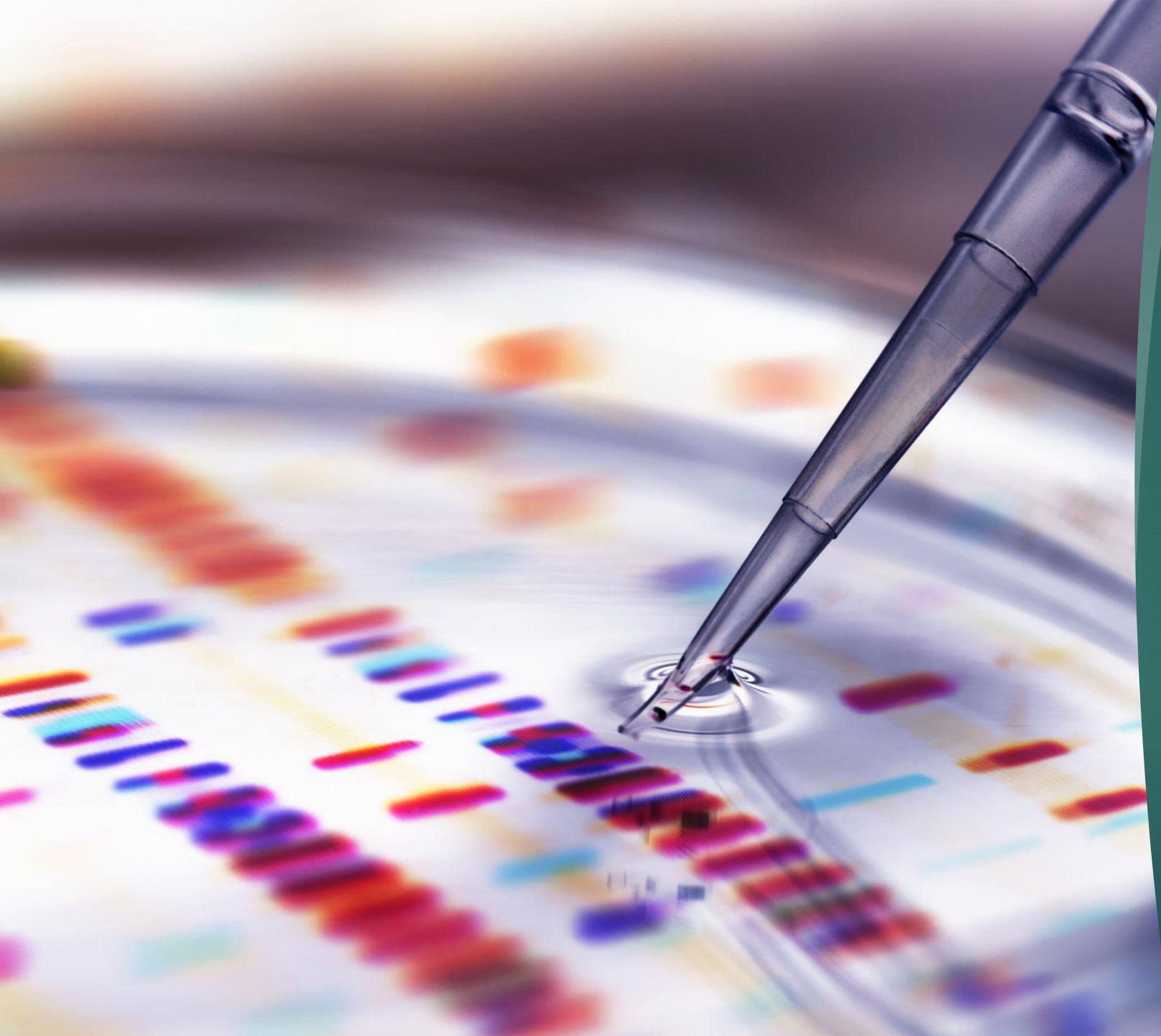
Requests to Open an Intergovernmental IV-D Case

Intergovernmental forms: <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/css/resource/uifsa-intergovernmental-child-support-enforcement-forms>

Intergovernmental forms requirements are listed below. Additional documents may be required, depending on the case circumstances and responding state requirements. Check the [Intergovernmental Reference Guide](#) (IRG), contact the responding state, or do both to determine requirements before sending a case. International cases with Hague Child Support Convention countries require different forms. See [AT-17-06](#) for information about Hague Convention forms.

Action Requested	Federal Forms Required
Establish parentage* and establish and enforce a support order for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current support • Retroactive child support • Medical support only 	1. Child Support Enforcement Transmittal #1 – Initial Request (Check action 1; also check 2.A and/or B or C.) 2. Child Support Agency Confidential Information Form 3. Uniform Support Petition 4. General Testimony 5. Personal Information Form for UIFSA § 311 6. Declaration in Support of Establishing Parentage (for each child)
Establish and enforce a support order for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current support • Retroactive child support • Medical support only 	1. Child Support Enforcement Transmittal #1 – Initial Request (Check action 2.A and/or B or C.) 2. Child Support Agency Confidential Information Form 3. Uniform Support Petition 4. General Testimony 5. Personal Information Form for UIFSA § 311
For cases with existing responding tribunal orders: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enforce • Enforce arrears only • Change person/entity entitled to receive funds and enforce 	1. Child Support Enforcement Transmittal #1 – Initial Request (Check action 3.A, D, or E.) 2. Child Support Agency Confidential Information Form
For cases with existing responding tribunal orders: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Modify and enforce • Modify then close the intergovernmental IV-D case 	1. Child Support Enforcement Transmittal #1 – Initial Request (Check action 3.B or C.) 2. Child Support Agency Confidential Information Form 3. Uniform Support Petition 4. General Testimony 5. Personal Information Form for UIFSA § 311
For cases with existing orders from another jurisdiction (not the responding state): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Register and enforce • Register and enforce arrears only 	1. Child Support Enforcement Transmittal #1 – Initial Request (Check action 4.A or D.) 2. Child Support Agency Confidential Information Form 3. Letter of Transmittal Requesting Registration
For cases with existing orders from another jurisdiction (not the responding state): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Register, modify, and enforce • Register, modify, then close the intergovernmental IV-D case 	1. Child Support Enforcement Transmittal #1 – Initial Request (Check action 4.B or C.) 2. Child Support Agency Confidential Information Form 3. Letter of Transmittal Requesting Registration 4. Uniform Support Petition 5. General Testimony 6. Personal Information Form for UIFSA § 311

* While UIFSA section 402 allows for the establishment of parentage only, parentage establishment is not a stand-alone request in an intergovernmental IV-D case, but must be part of a request to establish and enforce an order.



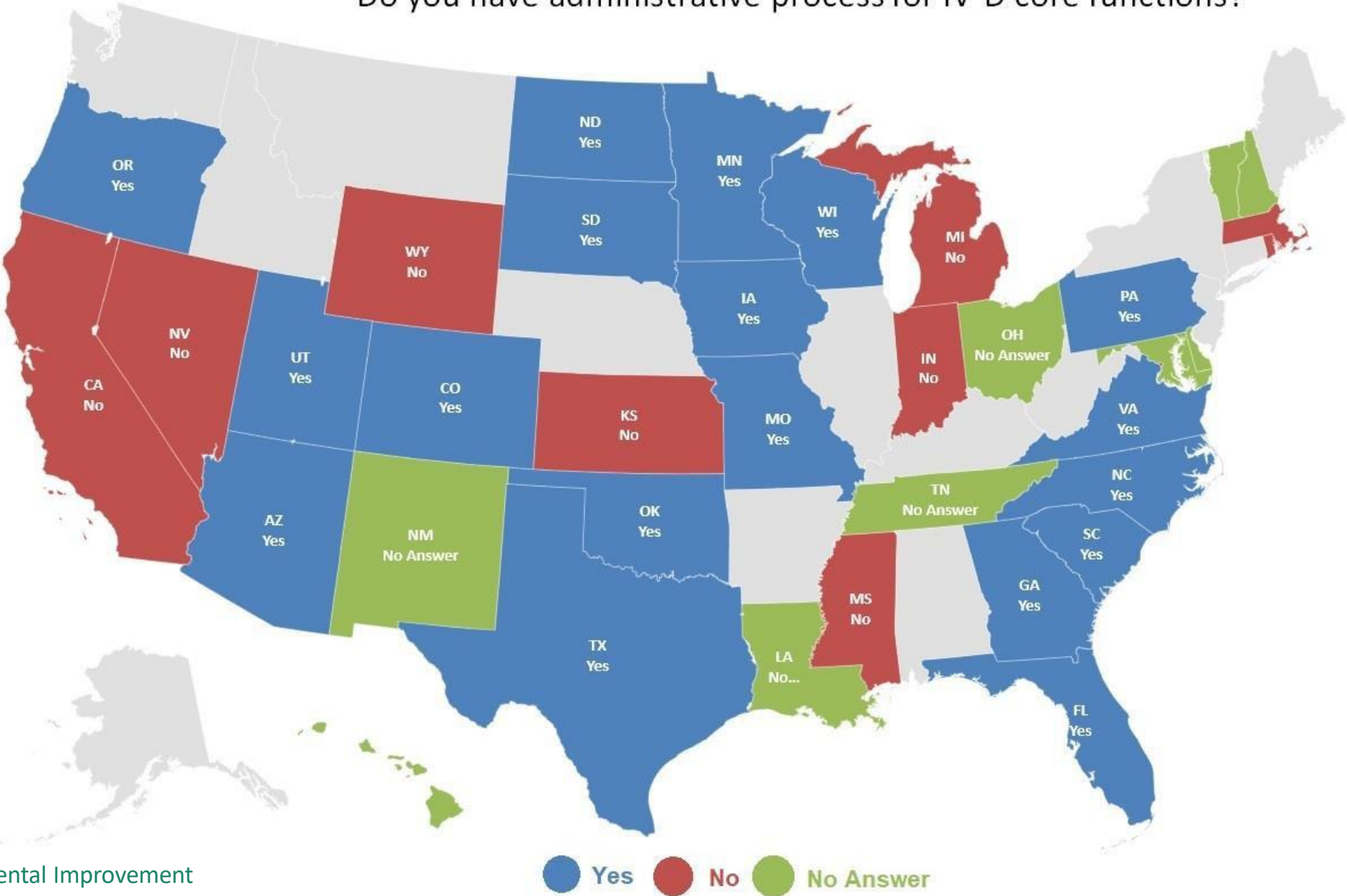
Outgoing Processes— Research



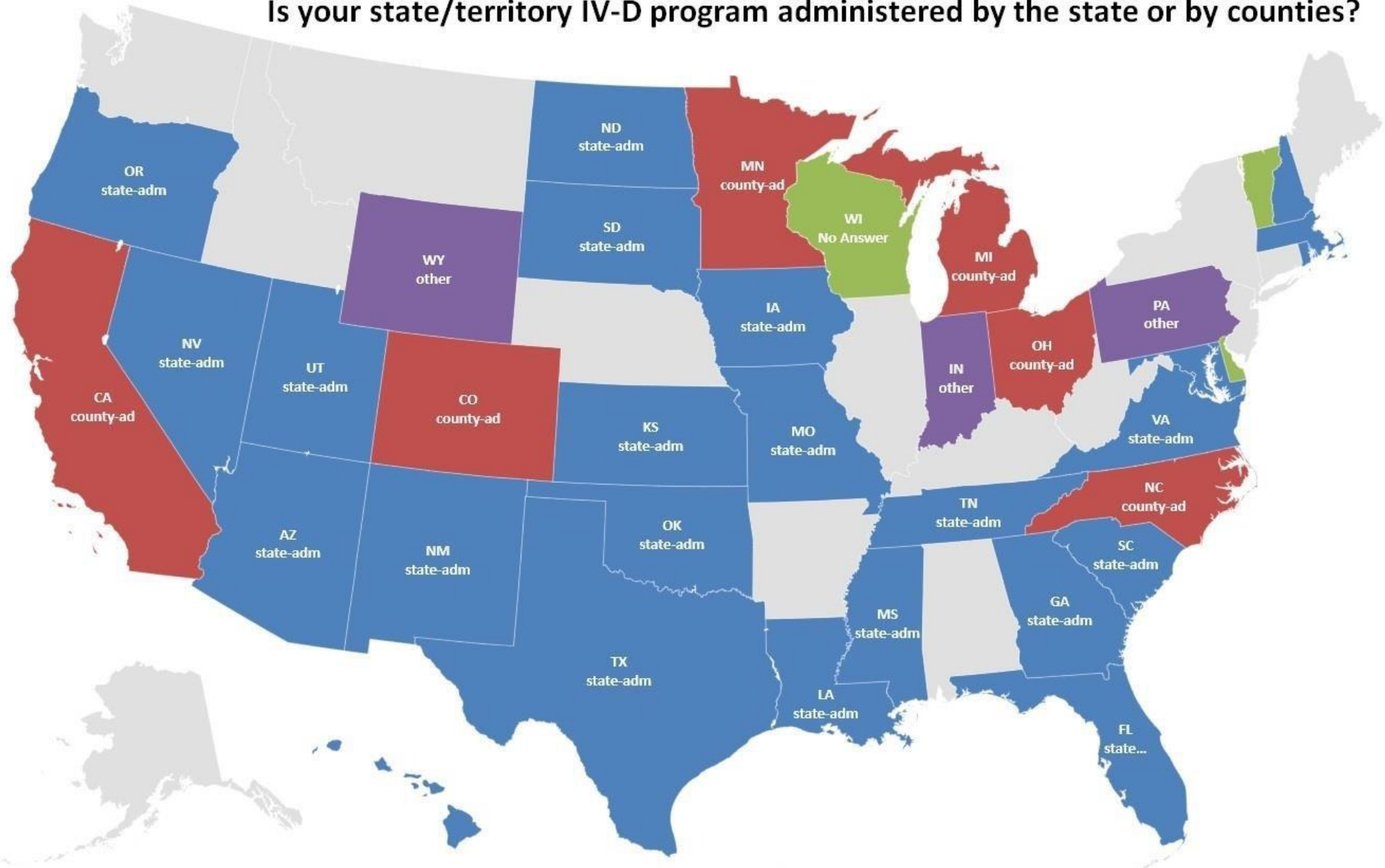
Side Bar about the IRG

- Insight into states' organizations
 - State-administered vs county-administered
 - States using county prosecutors to judicial work
 - Administrative vs judicial processes
 - Workflows
 - Specialized offices doing certain functions state-wide
 - State-admin states that use admin process using county prosecutors to send outgoing PATE/ESTA/MODI UIFSA referrals
 - Some county-admin states having counties do/not do TANF referrals
- Judges Rule!

Do you have administrative process for IV-D core functions?



Is your state/territory IV-D program administered by the state or by counties?



● State-Admin ● County-Admin ● No Answer ● Other

17. Uniform Interstate Family Support Act (UIFSA)

1. What is the statutory citation for your state's enactment of UIFSA?

IC 31-18.5

For Additional Information -

<http://iga.in.gov/legislative/laws/2021/ic/titles/031/#31-18.5>



2. How does your state define the tribunal (See UIFSA 103)?

"Tribunal" means a court, administrative agency, or quasi-judicial entity authorized to establish, enforce, or modify support orders or to determine parentage of a child.

For Additional Information -

<http://iga.in.gov/legislative/laws/2021/ic/titles/031/#31-9-2-131>



3. How many copies or sets of documents does your state need for an intergovernmental case referral that is not sent electronically?

Two (2) copies, including one (1) that is certified. However, if the only action requested is enforcement of an Indiana court order, only one (1) copy of a transmittal #1, Child Support Agency Confidential Information Form, and any payment records if payments were made through the requesting state.

4. Does your state require initiating states to send intergovernmental forms in a one-sided format (when sending paper copies)?

No.

Prepping Instructions

- ▶ Important to review referrals for outgoing UIFSAs to make sure MACSS is properly populated (like full names), NPCR info, BOW status, PATE status
- ▶ Know what action we need—should be on the 506
 - ▶ Make sure FSD indicated whether we are to ask for the responding jurisdiction to keep the case to enforce (especially on modifications)
- ▶ Run the parties on [SCRA](#)
- ▶ Get the certified copies of the voluntary paternity affidavit (465 in MO) and birth certificates

Creating the Process for Getting CP Info

- ▶ CPs/Applicants are necessary to accurate completion
- ▶ Efficient use of time is important
- ▶ If CP does not cooperate, but CP is on TANF, we can fill out the forms to the best of our knowledge (not great if genetic testing is needed)
- ▶ Assure you can proceed before generating forms

MACSS Instructions

- ▶ Found at DSS Intranet > MACSS Quick Reference Guide > Intergovernmental
- ▶ Get the FIPS code of the Central Registry of the responding state (FIPSL)
- ▶ Inquire on INTRX to make sure there is no active UIFSA case; if so, stop and investigate
- ▶ Complete the MO OFFICE and MO WORKER fields on INTRD

MACSS Instructions

- ▶ 39 steps in MACSS instructions to add the case as an UIFSA case, will need Appendix B
- ▶ MACSS electronically sends CSENet message after steps 35-37 are done
- ▶ Must use Appendix G to generate the forms

Forms issues

- Completion Issues
- Legibility Issues
- These are the legal pleadings, so they must be accurate and complete
- MACSS OBSTACLES
 - 2018 Conference Call
 - General Testimony

Finishing Process

- ▶ Have CP appointment to sign the forms
 - ▶ No longer require a notary
- ▶ Can also copy CP's documents at that meeting
- ▶ Jackson County is revamping process
 - ▶ Referral > CP telephone appt > we create the paperwork > CP office appt to sign
 - ▶ Letters, deadlines, MACSS notes to show progress

The background features a light blue wall and a brown surface. On the left, there are four envelopes: a white one at the top, a green one below it, a pink one below that, and a blue one at the bottom. A dark teal curved shape covers the right side of the slide, containing the title and list. A red vertical bar is on the far right edge.

Sending the UIFSA Packet

- ▶ Use EDE if responding state is participating
- ▶ If not, mail the packet
 - ▶ Keep a copy
- ▶ Should receive a Trans #1 Acknowledgment within 10 days (may come through CSENet)
- ▶ If it comes via mail, must manually update MACSS



Monitoring Outgoing Referrals

Referrals Need Monitoring

- You are not done when you send the referral
- Use OCSS tools and state court electronic systems (other state's version of case.net) to monitor actions (state systems may be secure for some actions/information)

Frequency of Communication

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THE MORE THE BETTER AND ON A
SCHEDULE



EVERY 30 -45 DAYS IS BEST



FIGURE OUT WHAT WORKS BEST
FOR PEER IN THE OTHER
JURISDICTION

When an Order is Entered

- ▶ After the other state successfully completes the referral (i.e., establishes paternity and/or an order), the PA/AGO closes the legal referral and forwards the results to FSD. It is the FSD worker's responsibility to make the appropriate updates to the system after the PA/AGO completes the action(s) requested in the legal referral.

Things to Remember

- Give your direct info—even if the forms print out from your automated system, put it in the notes!—a sticky—a CSENet—in EDE! You need to be able to reach them and vice versa!
- Remember that the only communication in the other state/jurisdiction should be with the IV-D agency—not their party. And don't give your party the other agency's contact info. Kindly refer calls/correspondence back to the right agency.
- Anticipate the RJ's needs if you asked them to establish or modify an order—keep gathering updated information for the guidelines.

National Interstate Case Reconciliation (ICR) Project

- In May 2003, OCSS introduced the annual National Interstate Case Reconciliation (ICR) Project. [Guide to Processing the National ICR](#)
- The ICR identifies discrepancies with your interstate case data affording the opportunity to make corrections and facilitate ongoing case management activities.
- After errors are fixed, you can get info regarding:
 - Location information
 - Employment details
 - Income and assets
 - Case and participant statuses
 - Paternity and support order details
 - Financial summaries



Better Practices

Better Practices

- Call the responding jurisdiction's central registry or county where you think it's going before the applicant's appointment on paternity, establishment, or modification cases to make sure you complete the packet as needed and don't have to make additional contacts with the applicant
- Use the OCSS tools to do your research before you prepare the packet

Better Practices

- Meet with the CP/applicant in person
 - Send letter to applicants to schedule an appointment with a document checklist for them to bring the docs with them to fill out the forms—don't give them the forms with a deadline to return them and not help them—**or have a phone interview first** to get info and then have CP come in to sign docs
- Get the applicant's answers on the forms and type it in—don't use their (or yours) handwritten forms
- Give your direct contact info on the OCSS forms and return calls/emails

Better Practices

- Offer a training/meeting with your Courts to discuss UIFSA cases regarding the law and the technology/logistics of having the other parent appear
- Make a spreadsheet to record your experiences so you have a reference/reminder when you send to that jurisdiction again
- Make an UIFSA Binder for you to keep all the instructions and your notes

Better Practices

- ▶ Make friends in other places!!!
- ▶ Take advantage of free trainings
 - ▶ WICSEC-NTCSA- ERICSA IJ FAIRS—sign the Pledge!
 - ▶ October 30, 2024, at 1pm Central via Zoom
 - ▶ www.wicsec.org you can still register!
 - ▶ NCSEA Webinars—is MO a member state?
 - ▶ www.ncsea.org
 - ▶ WICSEC Free Trainings
 - ▶ ERICSA Webinars
 - ▶ www.ericosa.org

Resources

Training / Policy

- Interstate Case Processing Training Materials
<https://www.acf.hhs.gov/css/training-technical-assistance/interstate-case-processing-training-materials>
- www.eric.org
- www.wicsec.org
- [AT-20-14](#)
- DCL-21-08, [Essentials for Attorneys in CSE, 4th edition](#) , Ch. 13 for IG
- Child Support Handbook, Ch. 7, [Working Across Borders](#)
- [IM-15-01](#), UIFSA 2008 and Hague Treaty Provisions, April 13, 2015

References with Hyperlinks

UIFSA 2008

- http://www.uniformlaws.org/shared/docs/interstate%20family%20support/UIFSA_2008_Final_Amended%202015_Revised%20Prefatory%20Note%20and%20Comments.pdf

FFCSOA

- <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/css/resource/full-faith-and-credit-for-child-support-orders>

OCSE Intergovernmental Forms Matrix

- https://www.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/programs/css/intergovernmental_forms_matrix.pdf

OCSE Intergovernmental Forms Training

- <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/css/resource/ocse-intergovernmental-forms-training>

References with Hyperlinks

AT-02-03 Applicability of the Full Faith and Credit for Child Support Orders Act to States and Tribes

- <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/css/resource/applicability-of-full-faith-and-credit-for-child-support-orders>

OCSE IM-16-02

- <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/css/resource/2008-revisions-to-the-uniform-interstate-family-support-act>

OCSE International Case Processing Training

- <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/css/resource/training-international-case-processing>

Q&A

If you want a non-IV-D take on UIFSA, see “A Practical Guide to UIFSA” , Joseph W. Booth, Esq. [A Practical Guide to UIFSA | North Carolina State Bar - Legal Assistance for Military Personnel \(nclamp.gov\)](https://www.nclamp.gov/resources/a-practical-guide-to-uifsa/)

Thank you!

- OCSS for the training materials and contributions to this presentation.
- [interstate 101 training version.pptx \(live.com\)](#)
- [2019 04 03 intergovernmental tools resources.pptx \(live.com\)](#)
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