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Agenda

MiChildSupport Calculator

- Non-Parent Custodians
- Recording Income
- Child Care Expenses
- Functions and Features
- Calculator Clarifications
- Demonstration
- Q&A

MiChildSupport Calculator

- Accessed through MiCSES
 - No additional sign-on
 - Uses same MiCSES roles and security standards
- Prepare Calculations, print results and import to OPRE
- Improve accuracy and usability
 - Only available to IV-D staff

Non-Parent Custodians

- One non-parent custodian per calculation
- Record child care expenses and medical information
- Results provided for each parent paying the non-parent custodian
 - Must check the “With Non-Parent Custodian” checkbox for each child that is with the non-parent custodian
- Custodial party’s with a custodial relationship to the child on the CASE screen

Recording Incomes

- Ability to record multiple sources of income for each parent
 - Helpful to get a summarized monthly total income
- Ability to record “multiple paystubs” for a source of income
 - Helpful to get an averaged monthly amount for a single source of income
- Record the source of the income information
 - For example, “quarterly wage”, “case questionnaire”
- Record potential income when a parent has the reasonable likelihood and ability to earn that income
 - When potential income is recorded for a parent, support will be calculated using actual and potential income, and again using actual income only

Child Care Expenses

- Record per individual child or for all children
- Child care amounts calculated per tier based on DOBs of all children
 - If a tier becomes effective after an August 31st has passed following a child's 12th birthday, that child's child care expenses will not be included for reimbursement
- Record Child and Dependent Care tax credit amounts
- Record amounts for child care subsidies or reimbursements
- Modify the parents' percentage share of the child care expenses when deviating

Functions and Features

- Missing Fields Indicator
 - Identifies fields important to the accuracy of the calculation that you may have missed
 - For example, number of additional minor children, number of people covered by health care coverage
 - Available on the Results page and data input tabs
- Edit Family Entity
 - Change non-parent custodian
 - Add children
 - Remove children added by the worker
 - Change tax year

Functions and Features...continued

- Calculation ID dropdown
 - Navigate between calculations for a docket
 - Navigate from Results page back to Parent A's Family tab
- Deviation hyperlink
 - Creates copy of current calculation and creates a “deviated from” link
 - Pop-up to fill out deviation information
 - Deviation information imported to OPRE
 - Sets “Guidelines Followed?” to “No”

Functions and Features...continued

- Ellipsis
 - Duplicate – create an exact copy of the calculation
 - Print – prints results for all payment relationships for a calculation
 - Not Provided – sets the calculation to a status to allow a worker to edit a calculation after printing
 - Archive – a status that preserves the calculation in the current state
 - Delete – deletes a calculation from view; no “undo” for deleting
 - Available in the Unattached Calculations table, or Docket Calculations table
 - Unattached Calculations table also has “Attach Calculation to Docket” function

Clarifications: Parents, Custodians, and Children

Calculation Parents and Children: Where do they come from?

Member ID	Member Name	DOB	SSN	PGM	Case Rel	Member Status	In CP Home	Child Rel	EST Type	FV IND	Update Worker	Hist
01027766	GEORGE JETSON			N	A	A	N				RYANT5	
01027765	JANE JETSON			N	C	A					RYANT5	
01027767	JUDY JETSON	06/21/2010		N	D	A	Y	B			RYANT5	
01027768	ELROY JETSON	04/10/2015		N	D	A	Y	B			RYANT5	

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01027766	GEORGE JETSON			N	A	A	N				RYANT5	
01027771	ROSIE ROBOT			N	C	A					RYANT5	
01027769	ASTRO THE DOG	12/28/2008		N	D	A	Y	C			RYANT5	
01027770	THE DOG ASTRO	12/28/2008		N	D	A	Y	C			RYANT5	

Parent A

Select
George Jetson
Jane Jetson

Parent B

Select
George Jetson
Jane Jetson

Non-Parent Custodian

Select
Rosie Robot

Children

ELROY JETSON 04/10/20... JUDY JETSON 06/21/201... ASTRO THE DOG 12/28/...

THE DOG ASTRO 12/28/...

Clarifications: Results

I am not receiving results for the Parents to pay the Non-Parent Custodian?

Children In Common: <i>(Youngest → Oldest)</i>	ELROY JE...	JUDY JET...	ASTRO T...	THE DOG...
Overnights Spent:	0	0	0	0
On This Calculation:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
With Non-Parent Custodian:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Left Diagram: A family tree diagram showing ROSIE at the top, with JANE and GEORGE below. Arrows point from JANE and GEORGE to ROSIE. A red oval highlights ROSIE. A blue arrow points from JANE to GEORGE. A red arrow points to the 'With Non-Parent Custodian' checkbox for 'THE DOG...' in the table above.

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Right Diagram: A family tree diagram showing ROSIE at the top, with JANE and GEORGE below. Arrows point from JANE and GEORGE to ROSIE. A green oval highlights ROSIE. A blue arrow points from JANE to GEORGE. A green arrow points to the 'With Non-Parent Custodian' checkbox for 'THE DOG...' in the table above.

Clarifications: Income Calculations

Why do I get an average?

The screenshot shows a web-based form for calculating income. It is divided into several sections:

- Income Type:** A dropdown menu is set to "Employer Wag". There are checkboxes for "Potential Income" (unchecked) and "Omit From Calculation" (checked).
- Employer:** A text input field contains "Fancy Employer".
- Income Entry 1:** A section with a close button (X). It contains:
 - Gross Income: 800.00 (with a green arrow pointing to the value)
 - Frequency: Monthly (dropdown)
 - Overtime: 0.00
 - Shift Premium: 0.00
- Income Entry 2:** A section with a close button (X). It contains:
 - Gross Income: 1000.00 (with a green arrow pointing to the value)
 - Frequency: Monthly (dropdown)
 - Overtime: (empty field)
 - Shift Premium: (empty field)
- Retirement Contributions - Percent from:** A section with a plus sign (+). It contains three input fields:
 - Employer: (empty)
 - Employee (Mandatory): (empty)
 - Employee (Voluntary): (empty)

At the bottom right of the form, the calculated result is displayed as "\$900.00 Monthly", which is circled in green.

Clarifications: Income Calculations continued...

Why do I get a summarized total?

Income Type: Potential Income Omit From Calculation

Employer:

Gross Income:

Overtime: Shift Premium:

Retirement Contributions - Percent from:

Employer: Employee (Mandatory): Employee (Voluntary):

\$1,500.00 Monthly

Income Type: Potential Income Omit From Calculation

Gross Income:

Source Notes:

Begin typing...

Characters Remaining: 100

Total Gross Monthly Income: \$2,100.00
Actual(\$2,100.00) + Potential(\$0.00)

Clarifications: Income Calculations continued...

Why does this parent's income appear wrong?

Income Type: Potential Income Omit From Calculation

Employer:

Gross Income:

Overtime: Shift Premium:

Gross Income:

Overtime: Shift Premium:

Retirement Contributions - Percent from:

Employer: Employee (Mandatory): Employee (Voluntary):

\$200.00 Monthly

Helpful Resources

- **MiChildSupport Calculator Clarifications**

- https://mi-support.state.mi.us/systems/ReleaseInformation/MiChildSupport_Calculator_clarifications.pdf

- **Web Based Training**

- 6 Unique Courses: Calculator Overview, Fundamental Changes, Viewing and Printing Historical Support Calculations, Demonstration of MiChildSupport Calculator, Import Calculation to OPRE, Deviating From a Calculation

- https://mi-support.state.mi.us/training/SitePages/launchWebTraining.aspx?trainingId=MiChildSupport_Calculator

- **Policy**

- **Section 3.45, “Review and Modification”**

- <https://mi-support.state.mi.us/SitePages/DocumentList.aspx?Section=3.45>

- **Section 4.20, “Support Recommendations and Order Entry”**

- <https://mi-support.state.mi.us/SitePages/DocumentList.aspx?Section=4.2>