

2910 – CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT

POLICY STATEMENT	<p>In Georgia, the Office of Child Support Enforcement (CSE) provides the following services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• locate the non-custodial parent(s)• establish paternity• collect and distribute child support payments• establish and enforce medical support agreements• establish and enforce child support orders
CONTROLLING LEGISLATION	<p>The CSE program was established under Title IV-D of the Social Security Act and is further developed in the Title 45 Code of Federal Regulations.</p>
HISTORY	<p>In 1975, the Social Security Act was amended to include Title IV-D, which requires states to establish a program to enforce the obligation of non-custodial parents to support their children.</p> <p>The federal Family Support Act of 1988 places the responsibility of paying child support on parents. Georgia enacted legislation in 1989 (HB 139) which made it one of the first states in the nation to meet the standards of the Family Support Act by setting guidelines for child support awards and requiring an income deduction for child support cases handled by CSE.</p>
PROCEDURES	<p>Clients may call the following numbers if their child support check is late, missing or is for the wrong amount:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">404-657-2780 (in the metro Atlanta area) or 800-227-7993</p>