PUBLIC NOTICE FOR PROPOSED RULES

STATE OF WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY SERVICES CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM

Public Notice is hereby given that the Department of Family Services intends to add and amend the following rules:

Child Support Program Chapter 2 and Chapter 4

The Department of Family Services finds it necessary to amend Chapter 2 – Definitions and Chapter 4 – General Services of the Child Support Program Rules. Federal regulations require these changes. An attorney and the Program Manager for the Child Support Program worked with Federal Office of Child Support Services to draft these changes to ensure that they meet federal requirements. The changes to the chapters will state as follows:

That Chapter 2 – Definitions, is revised to state that the definition of "Health Care Coverage" is now defined as private or public health care coverage per 45 CFR 302.56(c)(3). These changes can be found in Section 1, Subsections (x) and (gg). A definition of "The Act" was added in Subsection (ww) as reference is made throughout but was not previously defined. Also, the Federal Office of Child Support Enforcement is now known as the Federal Office of Child Support Services and Paragraphs (t), (II) and (yy) were revised as a result.

That Chapter 4 – General Services, is revised to add additional requirements which must be considered when imputing income when calculating a monthly child support amount per 45 CFR 302.56(c)(ii). These changes can be found in Section 3, Paragraph (d). Due to the change in the definition of insurance, Section 3, Subsections (b) was updated to "Healthcare Coverage" from "Insurance". Formatting changes were made in Section 4 to be in line with the formatting requirements for Rule.

Wyoming Statutes §§ 9-2-2101, 20-6-106(n), authorize the Department of Family Services to promulgate rules.

Copies of the proposed rule may be obtained upon request from the Department of Family Services online at our website https://childsupport.wyo.gov or via email denise.dunn@wyo.gov or at the address below:

The public comment period is February 28th, 2024 – April 15, 2024.

Written comments should be submitted to:

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A public hearing on the rules will be held by the Department of Family Services if requested by twenty-five (25) persons, by a governmental subdivision, or by an association having not less than twenty-five (25) members. Requests for a hearing should be directed to the department at the address above by the date specified. Any person may urge the agency not to adopt the rules and also request the agency to state its reasons for overruling the consideration urged against adoption. Interested parties may request a statement of the Department of Family Services' position regarding each comment and the action taken as a result of the comments prior to, or within 30 days after the amendment of these rules. Requests shall be submitted to the above address. If requested, the statement will be issued by the Department within 30 days after the Department action.