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## Child Support

Each parent has an obligation to support their child or children. Therefore, child support in New Mexico is mandatory and is determined by the New Mexico Child Support Guidelines.

If you want to know what the non-custodial parent may be required to pay under the New Mexico Child Support Guidelines, you may use this **Child Support Estimator** (look for the "Child Support Worksheet").

The worksheet will ask you for certain information such as your income, the income of the non-custodial parent, number of children, etc. Additional expenses paid by one parent for the benefit of a minor child (such as work-related childcare, medical and dental insurance, etc.) may be credited to their child support obligation.

If one parent receives TANF or Medicaid, the NM Child Support Enforcement Division (CSED) may initiate a child support case on behalf of the parent who is receiving benefits.

CSED can also help with enforcement of a child support order in specific cases.

**Click here** for CSED's website.

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