



Child's Name FSW's Name
D.O.B. Date County

There will be situations in which securing child support or medical support from one or both legal/alleged parent(s) will not be desirable or in the best interest of the child. These may include:

- 1. A court determination that parents would be unable to comply with an established reunification plan due to the financial hardship caused by paying child support,
2. The child is only expected to be in foster care for a brief time before being returned to their home, or
3. If it is likely the parental rights of a parent will soon be terminated and that legal action will also terminate the parent's responsibility to pay child support.

Please complete the section for each parent for whom we are making a determination of good cause.

Procedure to Establish Good Cause

A. Legal Father's Name:

- 1) Is the immediate plan for child adoption? Yes No
If yes, no referral at this time. If no, go to question 2.
2) Is there evidence that is or could be documented in the case record that leads us to believe that establishing or enforcing child support would likely jeopardize the safety of the mother or the child(ren)? Yes No
If yes, no referral at this time. If no, complete IV-D Referral.

B. Alleged Father's Name:

- 1) Is the immediate plan for child adoption? Yes No
If yes, no referral at this time. If no, go to question 2.
2) Is there evidence that is or could be documented in the case record that leads us to believe that establishing or enforcing child support would likely jeopardize the safety of the mother or the child(ren)? Yes No
If yes, no referral at this time. If no, complete IV-D Referral.

C. Mother's Name:

- 1) Is the immediate plan for child adoption? Yes No
If yes, no referral at this time. If no, go to question 2.
2) Is there evidence that is or could be documented in the case record that leads us to believe that establishing or enforcing child support would likely jeopardize the safety of the mother or the child(ren)? Yes No
If yes, no referral at this time. If no, complete IV-D Referral.



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## **INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE OF FORM**

When children enter state custody, the child welfare benefits staff will make a child support referral, unless they are informed there is good cause not to make the referral. This form is to be completed to inform the benefits staff that seeking child support would not be in a child's best interest. **This document** should be completed when the initial benefits determination application, form CS-0475 is completed, but **only when making a referral for child support is not recommended.**



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