Office of Child Support Enforcement, ACF, HHS

assistance under the State title IV-A plan;

(vi) Making the Medicaid agency aware of amounts collected and distributed to the family for the purposes of determining eligibility for assistance under the State XIX plan.

(5) The establishment and operation of the State parent locator service including:

(i) Utilization of appropriate State and local locate sources to locate noncustodial parents;

(ii) Utilization of the Federal Parent Locator Service;

(iii) Collection of the fee pursuant to §303.70(e) of this chapter;

(iv) Referral of requests for location of a noncustodial parent to the IV-D agency of another State;

(v) Cooperation with another State in locating a noncustodial parent;

(6) Activities related to requests for certification of collection of support delinquencies by the Secretary of the Treasury pursuant to §303.71 of this chapter.

(7) Activities related to requests for utilization of the United States district courts pursuant to §303.73 of this chapter.

(8) Establishing and maintaining case records as required by §303.2 of this chapter.

(9) The operation of systems that meet the conditions of §303.35(a) of this chapter; and

(10) Systems approved in accordance with 45 CFR part 95, subpart F. (See §307.35(b) of this chapter.)

(11) Required medical support activities as specified in §§303.30, 303.31, and 303.32 of this chapter.

(c) Until September 30, 1997, Federal financial participation is available at the 90 percent rate for the planning design, development, installation and enhancement of computerized support enforcement systems that meet the requirements in §303.30(a) of this chapter.

(d) Federal financial participation at the 90 percent rate is available for laboratory costs incurred in determining paternity on or after October 1, 1988, and until September 30, 2006, including the costs of obtaining and transporting blood and other samples of genetic material, repeated testing when necessary, analysis of test results, and the costs for expert witnesses in a paternity determination proceeding, but only if the expert witness costs are included as part of the genetic testing contract.

§304.21 Federal financial participation in the costs of cooperative arrangements with courts and law enforcement officials.

(a) General. Subject to the conditions and limitations specified in this part, Federal financial participation (FFP) at the applicable matching rate is available in the costs of cooperative agreements with appropriate courts and law enforcement officials in accordance with the requirements of §302.34 of this chapter. Law enforcement officials means district attorneys, attorneys general, and similar public attorneys and prosecutors and their staff. When performed under written agreement, costs of the following activities are subject to reimbursement:

(1) The activities, including administration of such activities, specified in §304.20(b)(2) through (8) of this chapter;

(2) Reasonable and essential short term training of court and law enforcement staff assigned on a full or part time basis to support enforcement functions under the cooperative agreement.

(b) Limitations. Federal financial participation is not available in:

(1) Service of process and court filing fees unless the court or law enforcement agency would normally be required to pay the cost of such fees;

(2) Costs of compensation (salary and fringe benefits) of judges;

(3) Costs of travel and training related to the judicial determination process incurred by judges;

(4) Office-related costs, such as space, equipment, furnishings and supplies, incurred by judges;
§ 304.22 Federal financial participation in purchased support enforcement services.

Federal financial participation is available at the applicable matching rate for the purchase of support enforcement services as provided for in the State plan to the extent that payment for such purchased services is in accordance with rates of payment established by the State which do not exceed the amounts reasonable and necessary to assure quality of such service and in the case of such services purchased from other public agencies, the cost reasonably assignable to such services. The determination that the amounts are reasonable and necessary and that the costs are reasonably assignable must be fully documented in the IV-D agency records. Support enforcement services which may be purchased with Federal financial participation are those for which Federal financial participation is otherwise available under §304.20 and which are included under the approved State plan.

[40 FR 27166, June 26, 1975, as amended at 47 FR 57282, Dec. 23, 1982; 50 FR 19656, May 9, 1985]

§ 304.23 Expenditures for which Federal financial participation is not available.

Federal financial participation at the applicable matching rate is not available for:

(a) Activities related to administering title I, IV-A, X, XIV, XVI, XIX or XX of the Act.

(b) Purchased support enforcement services which are not secured in accordance with §304.22.

(c) Construction and major renovations.

(d) Education and training programs and educational services except direct cost of short term training provided to IV-D agency staff or pursuant to §§304.20(b)(2)(viii) and 304.21.

(e) Any expenditures which have been reimbursed by fees collected as required by this chapter.

(f) Any costs of caseworkers as described in §303.20(e) of this part.

(g) Medical support enforcement activities performed under cooperative agreements in accordance with section 1912(a)(2) of the Act.

(h) Any expenditures made to carry out an agreement under §303.15 of this chapter.

(i) Any expenditures for jailing of parents in child support enforcement cases.

(j) The costs of counsel for indigent defendants in IV-D actions.

(k) The costs of guardians ad litem in IV-D actions.


§ 304.24 Equipment—Federal financial participation.

Claims for Federal financial participation in the cost of equipment under the Child Support Enforcement Program are to be determined in accordance with subpart G of 45 CFR part 95. Requirements concerning the management and disposition of equipment under the Child Support Enforcement Program are also prescribed in subpart G of 45 CFR part 95.

[47 FR 41576, Sept. 21, 1982]