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Child Support Recovery

Case Closure

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Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11; 441 IAC 95.14(252B)

Title IV, section D of the Social Security Act governs the Child Support Recovery Unit (referred to in this chapter as "the Unit"). For this reason, child support cases are "IV-D" cases. Federal rules provide specific regulations for closing IV-D cases.

This chapter contains:

- ♦ Policies and procedures for closing ICAR cases
- Policies and procedures for stopping the case closure process
- Policies and procedures for reopening closed cases
- ♦ An explanation of the case archive process

Case Closure Criteria

Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11; 441 IAC 95.14(252B)

In order to be eligible for closure, a IV-D case must meet at least one of the following criteria:

- ♦ There is no longer a current support order and arrearages are under \$500 or unenforceable under state law.
- ◆ The payor or alleged father is deceased and the Unit cannot take further action, including, an administrative levy against the estate.
- The Unit cannot establish paternity for one of the following reasons:
 - The statute of limitations prevents paternity establishment. See 10-A, <u>Administrative Paternity Establishment</u>.
 - A genetic test, a court action, or an administrative paternity process excluded the alleged father on the case and the recipient of services cannot identify another alleged father.
 - The IV-D agency determined it would not be in the best interest of the child to establish paternity in a case involving incest or rape, or in any case with pending legal proceedings for adoption.
 - The recipient of services does not know the biological father's identity and diligent efforts, including at least one interview by the IV-D agency with the recipient of services, do not reveal the alleged father's identity.

- ♦ The payor's location is unknown, and the Unit has made diligent efforts using multiple sources, all of which have been unsuccessful, to locate the payor:
 - Over a three-year period when the Unit has sufficient information to initiate an automated locate effort.
 - Over a one-year period when the Unit does not have sufficient information to initiate an automated locate effort.
- The payor does not have income or assets the Unit can levy or attach for support, and the payor cannot pay support for the duration of the child's minority because the payor:
 - Is institutionalized in a psychiatric facility,
 - Is incarcerated, or
 - Has a medically verified total and permanent disability with no evidence of support potential.
- ◆ The payor is a citizen of and lives in a foreign country and all of the following are true:
 - The payor does not work for the federal government.
 - The payor has no reachable domestic income or assets.
 - Iowa has been unable to establish reciprocity with the country or the country is not a Hague Convention Country.
 - The payor does not work for a company with headquarters or offices in the United States.
- ♦ Iowa provided location-only services.
- ◆ The non-public assistance (NPA) recipient of services requests closure of a case and there is no assignment to Iowa of medical support or of arrearages that accrued under a support order.
- ◆ Income maintenance (IM) determines the case meets the criteria for "good cause" and exempts the payee from otherwise required cooperation with the Unit. The Unit may not proceed with support enforcement without risk of harm to the child or caretaker relative.
- ♦ In an NPA case, the Unit cannot locate the recipient of services within a 60 calendar day period despite attempts by both telephone and at least one letter sent by first-class mail to the last known address.

- ◆ In an NPA case or a child-only Medicaid case, there is documentation of non-cooperation by the recipient of services and an action by the recipient of services is essential for the next step in providing IV-D services.
- ♦ Iowa documents failure by the initiating state to take an action that is essential for the next step in providing IV-D services in an interstate case.

Under certain circumstances, ICAR does not close cases or allow workers to close cases even if the cases meet the closure criteria listed. See <u>Conditions That Block</u> Case Closure.

Notification of the Recipient of Services

When a case meets a condition for closure, ICAR or a worker may start the case closure process. The Unit must notify the recipient of services when the case meets closure criteria. Exception: The only closure reasons that do not require a notice to the recipient of services are:

- The recipient of services requests closure.
- ◆ The Central Registry provided location-only services.
- ◆ Iowa's IV-A or Medicaid staff determine there is good cause to not use the Unit's services.

See Generating Notice of Termination of IV-D Services to the Recipient.

The recipient of services, while usually the payee or caretaker on the case, may also be the payor, the alleged father, or another state.

- ◆ If a payor or alleged father completes form 470-0188, *Application for Nonassistance Support Services*, the payor or alleged father is the recipient of services. When the payor applies, the case setup worker enters a "Y" in the PAYOR IS APPLICANT field on the CASE screen.
- If Iowa is the responding state in an interstate case, the recipient of services is the other jurisdiction. You can close a case when the Unit has been notified by:
 - The initiating jurisdiction that the initiating jurisdiction has closed their case that was opened for location-only services, or
 - The Unit has been notified by the initiating jurisdiction that their intergovernmental services are no longer needed.

The Unit must keep the case open if:

- ♦ The recipient of services or the initiating state provides information that may lead to establishment of paternity or a support order.
- The recipient of services or the initiating state provides information that may lead to enforcement of an order.
- ♦ The Unit reestablishes contact with the recipient of services whose location was previously unknown.

See Stopping or Preventing Case Closure.

Storage and Archive of Closed Cases

If there is no reason to keep the case open, ICAR automatically closes the case after the 60-day waiting period. ICAR issues a calendar flag (CLOSE2) showing which closure code ICAR entered.

ICAR retains the case for a minimum of three years. Each office must also retain all physical or imaged records for closed cases for a minimum of three years. When appropriate, ICAR moves the closed case to the History Archive File. See History Overview.

After the Unit closes a case, a recipient of services may ask the Unit to reopen the case. The recipient of services must complete a new application for IV-D services or apply for IV-A benefits.

The recipient of services should report a change in circumstances that could lead to the establishment of a paternity or support order or the enforcement of an order. Do not reopen the case unless the circumstances that led to the original closure have changed.

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CASE Screen at the Time of Notice of Termination

The highlighted areas on the following screen print of the CASE screen show the fields used to display case closure information. Refer to this example as you read the remaining sections of this chapter.

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CHILD Screen at the Time of Notice of Termination

ICAR uses information displayed in the CHILD screen during the closure process. Refer to the following screen print of the CHILD screen as you read the remaining sections of this chapter.

Closure Codes

ICAR uses 25 closure codes in the closure process. ICAR automatically enters some of these codes and the worker manually enters others. In alphabetical order, the closure codes are:

◆ AGEL: ICAR enters this code when the Unit cannot establish paternity because the child is 19 years old and the statute of limitations prevents the Unit from establishing paternity. Chapter I: Case Closure Revised November 22, 2019

- ◆ CITZ: Enter this code when:
 - The payor is a citizen of, and lives in, a foreign country; and
 - The payor has no reachable domestic income or assets; and
 - The Unit does not have reciprocity with the payor's country of residence or the country is not a Hague Convention Country; and
 - The payor does not work for the federal government or a company with headquarters or offices in the United States.
- ◆ **CONT**: Enter this code in a non-public assistance (NPA) case when, in a 60-day period, mail or support payments have been returned, and your attempts to contact the recipient of services by telephone and at least one first-class letter were unsuccessful.
- ◆ **COOP**: Enter this code when the recipient of services on an NPA case or childonly Medicaid case when the payee fails to cooperate, preventing you from taking the next essential step in providing services.
- ♦ **COOP1**: Obsolete. Enter this code when the bank returns the check for the application fee on an NPA case due to insufficient funds.
- ♦ **COOP2**: Obsolete. See <u>Deceased Payee</u> for current procedures.
- **COOP3**: Enter this code when Iowa is the responding state in an interstate case and the initiating state has not provided information or materials needed for Iowa to take the next essential step in providing services.
- ◆ DECD: Enter this code when the payor or alleged father is deceased and the Unit cannot take further action, including an administrative levy against the estate. ICAR does not allow you to enter this code if the case is certified for tax offset and the payor died less than one year ago.
- ♦ **DECDA**: ICAR enters this code when the payor is deceased and the Unit cannot take further action, including an administrative levy against the estate.
- ◆ **DISA**: Enter this code when the payor has a medically verified total and permanent disability with evidence of no support potential.
- **EROR**: Enter this code to close a duplicate case. You may also use this code if the Unit accidentally reopens a case when the circumstances leading to the original case closure remain unchanged and the Unit still cannot proceed.
- **EXCL**: Enter this code when a court decision or genetic tests exclude the alleged father and the payee does not know the identity of any other alleged father.

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- ♦ **GOOD**: Obsolete. See <u>GOODA</u>: <u>Good Cause</u> for current procedures.
- ◆ GOODA: ICAR enters this code when the income maintenance worker approves good cause and the Unit cannot proceed with support enforcement without risk of harm to the child or caretaker relative. Only the income maintenance worker determines good cause and this closure code applies only to public assistance cases.
- ♦ INST: Enter this code when the payor is institutionalized in a psychiatric facility and has no assets or income available that the Unit can levy or attach for the payment of support.
- ♦ LOCA: ICAR enters this code when the payor's location is unknown for three years and the payor's social security number is on ICAR.
- ♦ **LOCA1**: ICAR enters this code when the payor's location is unknown for one year and the payor's social security number is not on ICAR.
- ♦ **LOCS**: Central Registry enters this code to close a case referred by another state for location-only services.
- NCIN: Enter this code when it is <u>not</u> in the child's best interest to establish paternity because of incest, rape, in any case where legal proceedings for adoption are pending, or in some cases involving minor parents.
- ♦ **NOFC**: Foster Care Recovery Unit staff enters this code when a child is no longer in foster care and there is no support due.
- ♦ NOID: Enter this code when the recipient of services cannot name an alleged father after at least one face-to-face interview with the Unit.
- ♦ **NSOR**: ICAR enters this code when there is no longer a current order for support, and all support and arrearages are paid.
- ♦ **NSOR1**: ICAR enters this code when there is no longer a current support order, past due amounts are under \$500 or unenforceable under state law, and there have been no payments made in the past three years.
- ♦ **NSOR2**: Enter this code when no support order has been established with the payor or alleged father on the case and an order is permanently unattainable under state law or when you have verified the payor or alleged father is considered a part of the household with the family on FIP or Medicaid.
- ◆ PRSN: Enter this code when the payor will be incarcerated throughout the duration of the child's minority, and the payor cannot pay support and shows no evidence of support potential. The payor cannot have assets or income available that the Unit could levy or attach for the payment of support.

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- ◆ **REQU**: Enter this code when the recipient of services or the initiating state requests termination of services. The recipient of services can only request closure for an NPA case with no support arrearage assigned to the state.
- ♦ **REQU1**: Enter this code when the payee is deceased and the caretaker requests termination of services.

ICAR-Initiated Closure

When a case meets a requirement for an ICAR-initiated closure, ICAR follows a specific set of activities to close the case. There are seven circumstances when ICAR initiates case closure without worker intervention:

- ♦ <u>AGEL</u>: The Unit cannot establish paternity because the child is 19 years old, and the statute of limitations prevents the Unit from establishing paternity.
- ♦ <u>DECDA</u>: The payor is deceased, and the Unit can take no further action, including an administrative levy against the estate.
- GOODA: The income maintenance worker has approved good cause, and the Unit cannot proceed with support enforcement without risk of harm to the child or caretaker relative. This closure code applies only to public assistance cases.
- ◆ LOCA: The payor's location has been unknown for three years, and the payor's social security number is on ICAR.
- ♦ <u>LOCA1</u>: The payor's location has been unknown for one year, and the payor's social security number is not on ICAR.
- ♦ NSOR: There is no longer a current order for support, and all support and arrearages are paid.
- NSOR1: There is no longer a current support order, past due amounts are under \$500 or are unenforceable under state law, and there have been no payments made in the past three years.

If you attempt to enter any of these codes in the REASON field on the CASE screen, an online message notifies you that only ICAR can complete this type of closure.

Under certain circumstances, ICAR does not close a case even if it otherwise meets closure requirements. See <u>Conditions That Block Case Closure</u>.

AGEL: Paternity Establishment Barred by Statute of...

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AGEL: Paternity Establishment Barred by Statute of Limitations

Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11(b)(3); 441 IAC 95.14(1)"a"(4)"1"; Iowa Code

Sections 614.8, 600B.13

The Unit may terminate child support services when the Unit cannot establish paternity because the youngest child on the case is at least 19 years old and the statute of limitations prevents the Unit from establishing paternity.

The Unit must notify the recipient of services in writing 60 days before closure by sending form 470/0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support*. During the 60-day period following the issuance of the form and during any appeal process, continue to provide appropriate establishment procedures possible.

For information on the appeals process, see <u>Preparing for an Appeal</u>. For more information on paternity establishment, see 10-A, <u>Administrative Paternity</u> <u>Establishment</u>.

AGEL: Criteria

Once a month, ICAR selects cases with all the following characteristics:

- The only child or youngest child is 19 years of age or older.
- ♦ The CHILD screen has a "Y" in the BORN OUT OF WEDLOCK field.
- ♦ The CHILD screen has an "N" in the PATERNITY ESTABLISHMENT field.
- ◆ There is no obligation on the Obligation History (OBLIGHST) screen.

AGEL: ICAR-Initiated Activities at the Time of the Notice of Termination

When the case meets the closure criteria, ICAR does the following:

- ◆ Checks the CURRENT ACCT TYPE field on the CASE screen. If the account type is 11, 12, or 18, ICAR generates form 470/0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support*, with the appropriate message.
- ♦ Enters "AGEL" in the REASON field on the CASE screen.
- ◆ Displays the current date in the TERM NOTICE SENT field on the CASE screen.
- ◆ Issues a narrative (CLOSE27) documenting that the closure notice was sent and the reason for closure.
- Sets an internal system calendar flag for 60 calendar days.

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AGEL: Paternity Establishment Barred by Statute of...

See <u>Stopping or Preventing Case Closure</u> if, in the 60 days before ICAR completes the closure process, you receive a response of further information that warrants keeping the case open.

AGEL: ICAR-Initiated Activities After 60 Calendar Days

Sixty days after generating form 470/0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support*, ICAR does the following:

- ♦ Enters a "C" in the STATUS field on the CASE screen.
- Enters the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field on the CASE screen.
- ♦ Issues the appropriate narrative based on the CURRENT ACCT TYPE field on the CASE screen. See <u>Appropriate Narratives by Current Account Type</u>.
- ◆ Issues a calendar flag (CLOSE2) showing which closure code ICAR entered.
- ♦ Notifies the IM worker through the REFER system if the case account type is 11 or 18.
- 1. A case has three children. The CHILD screen reflects that the parent's marriage established paternity for all three children. All of the children are now over the age of 19. ICAR does not close the case using the "AGEL" closure code. Because the parent's marriage establishes paternity, the case does not meet the requirements of the "AGEL" closure code.
- 2. A case has three children. The worker does not know the date of birth for any of the children and enters an incorrect date of 01/01/1900 as the date of birth for all three. The Unit has not established paternity for any of these children. ICAR closes this case using the "AGEL" closure code. Because of the incorrect dates of birth, ICAR determines the children are past the statute of limitations to establish paternity.

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DECDA: Payor or Alleged Father Deceased

Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11(b)(4); 441 IAC 95.14(1)"a"(2)

The Unit may terminate services when the payor or alleged father is deceased and the Unit cannot take further action, including an administrative levy against the estate.

You can close a case using the "DECD" closure code when the payor is deceased. (See <u>DECD</u>: <u>Payor or Alleged Father Deceased</u> for more information about closing a case manually when the payor is deceased.)

However, if a case is certified for federal or state tax offset, ICAR does not allow closure unless it has been one year since the date of death. So that you do not need to set a calendar flag to remind you to close the case later, ICAR automatically closes it using the "DECDA" code if the case still meets closure criteria a year after the payor's death.

NOTE: ICAR will also use the "DECDA" closure code to close cases automatically before the anniversary of a payor's death provided there are no balances certified for tax offset and all other closure criteria are met.

Because ICAR can automatically select a case for closure when the payor is deceased, it is very important that you verify any information you receive regarding the payor's death. This information could come from an automated location source, the payee, or another source. Confirm the death through a verifiable source, such as the person's obituary or death certificate. If the payor is not deceased, be sure to remove any entries in the DECEASED or DATE OF DEATH fields on the LOCATE screen.

Once you verify that the payor is deceased, enter a "Y" in the DELAY CLOSING/ASSETS field on the LOCATE screen if there is support due. This prevents ICAR from selecting the case for "DECDA" closure while you attempt to locate an estate or other assets. Remove the "Y" after all support payments from an estate or other source have been collected or when you confirm that no future payments (other than tax offsets) are possible. See the location process for more information about pursuing assets.

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DECDA: Payor or Alleged Father Deceased

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ICAR does not automatically end current obligations with the date of the payor's death. Unless the order states support continues to accrue after the payor's death, enter the date of death as the new obligation end date.

This case closure procedure requires the Unit to send form 470/0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support*, to the recipient of services 60 days before the case closes. When the payor or the alleged father is the recipient of services, the form is addressed to the last known address. When the Unit provides services to another jurisdiction, the form is addressed to that jurisdiction.

During the 60-day period following the issuance of the form and during any appeal process, continue to provide appropriate establishment or enforcement procedures.

DECDA: Criteria

Once a month, ICAR selects cases with all of the following characteristics:

- ♦ There is a "Y" in the DECEASED/DATE field on the LOCATE screen.
- There is a date in the DECEASED/DATE field on the LOCATE screen.
- ♦ There is not a "Y" in the DELAY CLOSING/ASSETS field on the LOCATE screen.
- ♦ Federal or state taxes are certified for offset, and the DECEASED/DATE entry is more than one year in the past.
- ◆ There are no active processes. See <u>Identifying Cases With Open Processes</u> for more information.

<u>DECDA: ICAR-Initiated Activities at the Time of the Notice of</u> Termination

When the case meets the criteria, ICAR does the following:

- ◆ Checks the CURRENT ACCT TYPE field on the CASE screen. If the account type is 11, 12, or 18, ICAR generates form 470/0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support*, with the appropriate message.
- ◆ Checks the DISMISSED/ENDED field on the INTERSTA screen where Iowa is the responding state. If the date is within the past 30 days or is zeros, ICAR generates form 470/0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support*, with the appropriate message.

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- ♦ Enters "DECDA" in the REASON field on the CASE screen.
- ♦ Issues a narrative documenting that the Unit sent the closure notice and the reason for the closure. ICAR issues a narrative:
 - (CLOSE99) when the form is sent to the payee,
 - (CLOSE101) when the form is sent to the payor, and
 - (CLOSE111) when the form is sent to another jurisdiction.

If ICAR does not send a notice because there is no address for the recipient of services or services are not being provided, ICAR issues a different narrative (CLOSE100, CLOSE102 or CLOSE103).

• Sets an internal calendar flag for 60 calendar days.

See <u>Stopping or Preventing Case Closure</u> if, in the 60 days before ICAR completes the closure process, you receive a response of further information that warrants keeping the case open.

DECDA: ICAR-Initiated Activities After 60 Calendar Days

Sixty days after ICAR generates form 470/0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support*, ICAR does the following:

- ♦ Enters a "C" in the STATUS field on the CASE screen.
- Enters the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field on the CASE screen.
- ♦ Issues the appropriate narrative (CLOSE54 or CLOSE112) based on whether there is an active interstate process.
- ◆ Issues a calendar flag (CLOSE2) showing which closure code ICAR entered.
- Notifies IM through the REFER system if the case account type is 11 or 18.
- 1. A case on ICAR has a payor who pays all monthly coupons in full and on time. The order continues until the child's 18th birthday (January 2018).

The payor dies in May 2013. You end the obligation on the date of the payor's death. You do not enter a "Y" in the DELAY CLOSING/ASSETS field on the LOCATE screen because there is no balance due. Since there is no balance due and the case is not certified for state or federal tax offsets, ICAR selects the case for closure the following month using the "DECDA" code. ICAR closes the case 60 days later.

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2. A case on ICAR has a payor who owes child support of \$200 per month. The payor makes only a \$100 per month payment for 12 months and the Unit certifies the payor for state and federal tax offset. The payor dies.

When the payor dies, you update the obligation end date to match the date of death. You enter a "Y" in the DELAY CLOSING/ASSETS field on the LOCATE screen because there is a balance due. After you confirm there is no estate, you remove the "Y" from the DELAY CLOSING/ASSETS field. Since the case is certified for state and federal tax offset, ICAR selects the case for closure the month following the one-year anniversary of the payor's death.

3. A case on ICAR has a payor who owes \$2,000 in arrears support when the payor dies. You enter a "Y" in the DELAY CLOSING/ASSETS field on the LOCATE screen because there is a balance due. You file a claim against the payor's estate for the balance due. ICAR does not select the case for closure until you remove the "Y" in the DELAY CLOSING/ASSETS field when the payment is received.

GOODA: Good Cause

Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11(b)(14); 441 IAC 95.14(1)"a"(11)

The Unit may terminate child support services in a public assistance case (Family Investment Program (FIP) or Medicaid) when the IM worker determines that support establishment or enforcement presents a risk of harm to the child or the payee.

When you refer the case to the IM worker to determine good cause or when a good cause determination is pending, ICAR inactivates the case and enters "IGOOD" in the REASON field. See <u>IGOOD</u>: <u>Inactive Good Cause</u>.

When the IM worker grants good cause and enters an "A" in the GOOD CAUSE field on the REFER2 screen, ICAR enters "GOODA" in the REASON field on the CASE screen. ICAR issues a narrative (REFER58) to document that the IM worker has determined good cause is to be granted and that the Unit should not take any enforcement or establishment actions.

ICAR does not generate form 470/0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support*, for this closure code. Federal regulations and state rules do not require the Unit to send this form when closing a case for good cause.

NOTE: The case must be in active status in order for ICAR to immediately close upon the IM worker granting good cause. If the case is coded inactive while still in hold status, ICAR will not immediately close the case as it should.

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ICAR takes the following actions immediately once the IM worker grants good cause:

- ♦ Enters "I" in the STATUS field on the CASE screen.
- ♦ Enters "GOODA" in the REASON field on the CASE screen.
- ♦ Issues a narrative (CLOSE58) documenting the reason for closure.

ICAR takes the following actions the weekend after the IM worker granted good cause:

- ♦ Enters "C" in the STATUS field on the CASE screen.
- ♦ Enters the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field.
- Issues a narrative (CLOSE97) documenting the reason for closure.
- ◆ Issues a calendar flag (CLOSE2) showing which closure code ICAR entered.
- ♦ Notifies IM through the REFER system if the case account type is 11 or 18.
 - 1. A payee receiving FIP benefits requests good cause. The IM worker reviews the payee's situation and determines support establishment or enforcement presents a risk of harm to the child and payee. The IM worker grants good cause.
 - ICAR enters "GOODA" in the REASON field and issues a narrative (REFER58). ICAR closes the case and issues a narrative (CLOSE97) and a calendar flag (CLOSE2).
 - An NPA payee requests child support services. During the first interview, the payee indicates fear of the payor and does not want the Unit to take any establishment or enforcement action that might cause the payor to harm the payee or the child.

Tell the payee about the Unit's confidentiality procedures. The payee may ask the Unit to close the case if the payee does not want our services. See <u>REQU</u>: <u>Termination of Services Requested</u>, <u>No State</u> Arrears.

GOODA: Good Cause

3. A payee receives FIP benefits. The payor lives with the family and is on the FIP grant. The payee does not want the Unit to establish a child support order against the payor because that would take more money away from the family. The payee feels this is good cause not to cooperate with the Unit.

ICAR does not close the case using the "GOODA" closure code. The IM worker did not determine good cause exists. The Unit does not establish orders when the payor is a part of the FIP household. See NSOR2: No Order Established, Establishment Now Prohibited.

4. A payee who receives FIP benefits has requested the IM worker grant good cause. The IM worker enters a "P" in the GOOD CAUSE field on the REFER2 screen so the Unit will not take action until a determination is made. ICAR inactivates the case and enters "IGOOD" in the REASON field on the CASE screen. The IM worker determines that good cause does not exist and enters a "D" in the GOOD CAUSE field.

ICAR reactivates the case and removes the "IGOOD" entry from the REASON field. The payee is required to cooperate with the Unit for establishment and enforcement actions.

LOCA: Location Unknown After Three-Year Search

Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11(b)(7); 441 IAC 95.14(1)"a"(5)"1"

The Unit may terminate services when unable to locate the payor or alleged father. If the Unit knows the social security number (SSN) for the payor or alleged father, ICAR uses it to search automated location sources for three years. If, after three years, the Unit cannot locate the payor or alleged father's address or employer and the payor or alleged father did not make payments on the case during the three years, ICAR closes the case.

During this three-year period, ICAR automatically searches for location leads on cases without a verified address or employer. ICAR automatically submits an electronic match to the Federal Parent Locator Service (FPLS) every six months and issues a narrative (LOC27) when it sends the request to the Federal Parent Locator Service.

To see the status of a payor or alleged father's location, review the entries on the ADDVER and EMPVER screens. If there is no verified address or employer, review the VERIFIED LOC and DATE fields on the LOCATE screen to see when the Unit last had a location.

To see when the alleged father was added to a case, review the AF ADDED field on the LOCATE screen. All alleged fathers with a SSN must have been on the case without location for three years before ICAR will close the case using the "LOCA" closure code.

Make sure you exhaust all leads generated by ICAR and your manual location efforts. Refer to the location process for more information.

Generation of the Request for New Information About Obligor

You may manually generate form 470_3199, *Request for New Information About Obligor*, to the payee for a particular payor or alleged father. To manually generate the form, enter a "Y" in the SEND PAYEE LETTER field on the LOCATE screen and press the F3 key.

This form is specific to the alleged father or payor listed on the LOCATE screen on which you requested the form. ICAR does not allow you to generate this form if any of the following is true:

- ◆ The alleged father is bypassed or excluded by genetic tests, or another person is the payor on the case.
- The case account type is 17 and the case does not have a IV-D balance.
- ◆ The payor or alleged father about whom ICAR would send the form is deceased.
- The payee does not have a verified address listed on the PAYEE screen.

Do <u>not</u> sanction the payee for failure to return the form. On a PA case, if the payee does not return this form, do <u>not</u> refer the case to IV-A for non-cooperation.

On an NPA case, if the payee does not return this form, do <u>not</u> tell the payee you will close the case for non-cooperation. While this is a request for more information, no state rules require the payee to return the form. The payee can reply in any format or not reply at all.

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LOCA: Criteria

An automated program to identify LOCA cases runs monthly on the third weekend of the month. ICAR selects cases with all the following characteristics:

- The payor or alleged father's SSN is stored on the case.
- The CASE OPEN DATE field on the CASE screen is at least three years old.
- ♦ No current verified employer or address exists.
- ♦ No payments have been made in the last year.
- ◆ The Unit found no verified mailing address or employer in the last three years. ICAR maintains an internal indicator that records the date the worker deleted the last verified address or employer (whichever is more recent) from the PAYOR screen or PAYEMP screen.
- ◆ The payor or most recently added alleged father has been on the case for a minimum of three years.

LOCA: ICAR-Initiated Activities at the Time of Notice of Termination

When the case meets the criteria, ICAR does the following:

- ♦ Checks the ICAR CASE WRKR ID field on the CASE screen.
- ◆ Generates form 470/0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support*, with the appropriate message and sends it to the recipient of services, unless the account type is 17 and the worker ID is "CSC," "PL," "AFC," or "AAF."
- ♦ Enters "LOCA" in the REASON field on the CASE screen.
- ◆ Displays the current date in the TERM NOTICE SENT field on the CASE screen.
- ♦ Issues a narrative (CLOSE31) documenting the closure notice was sent and the reason for closure.
- Sets an internal system calendar flag for 60 calendar days.

See <u>Stopping or Preventing Case Closure</u> if, in the 60 days before ICAR completes the closure process, you receive a response or further information that warrants keeping the case open.

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LOCA: Location Unknown After Three-Year Search

LOCA: ICAR-Initiated Activities After 60 Calendar Days

Sixty days after generating form 470/0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support*, ICAR does the following:

- Checks for a payment received in the past 60 days.
- ♦ Enters a "C" in the STATUS field on the CASE screen.
- Enters the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field on the CASE screen.
- ◆ Issues the appropriate narrative based on the CURRENT ACCT TYPE field on the CASE screen. See Appropriate Narratives by Current Account Type.
- ◆ Issues a calendar flag (CLOSE2) showing which closure code ICAR entered.
- ♦ Notifies IM through the REFER system if the case account type is 11 or 18.
- 1. The payee applies for services. You open a case on June 1, 2013, and enter the payor's SSN on the LOCATE screen. You do not have the payor's address so you leave the Address Verification (ADDVER) screen blank.
 - In August 2013, ICAR reviews the case. Although there is still no verified payor address, ICAR does not close the case. The case must be open for at least three years to close with the "LOCA" closure code.
- 2. You open a case on June 1, 2010, and enter the payor's SSN on the LOCATE screen. You also enter payor's address on the ADDVER screen as verified and update the PAYOR screen with the address.

In October 2010, you discover the payor's address is no longer valid and delete the address from the PAYOR screen.

The Unit never enters another verified address on the case.

In October 2013, three years after you removed the payor's address, ICAR closes the case using the "LOCA" closure code.

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3. The payee applies for services and you open a case on June 1, 2009. You do not have a verified address for the only alleged father on the case, so you leave the ADDVER screen blank.

In February 2010 and February 2011, you send the *Request for New Information About Obligor* form to the payee seeking information about the location of the alleged father. The payee returns the form with no new information.

As of June 2012, ICAR has never had a verified address for the alleged father. In July 2012, ICAR still does not have a verified address for the alleged father. When the case closure program runs that month, ICAR begins the case closure process.

LOCA1: Location Unknown After One-Year Search

Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11(b)(7)(ii); 441 IAC 95.14(1)"a"(5)"2"

The Unit may terminate services when the payor or alleged father's location is unknown. If the Unit does not know the payor or alleged father's social security number, ICAR attempts to identify the correct social security number through various sources.

After one year, if ICAR cannot find a social security number, you do not enter a social security number on the case, and location efforts are unsuccessful, ICAR closes the case. During the year, you must make diligent attempts to locate the payor using multiple sources.

To see the status of a payor or alleged father's location, review the entries on the ADDVER and EMPVER screens. If there is no verified address or employer, review the VERIFIED LOC and DATE fields on the LOCATE screen to see when the Unit last had a location.

To see when an alleged father was added to a case, review the AF ADDED field on the LOCATE screen. All alleged fathers without an SSN must have been on the case without location for a year before ICAR will close the case using the "LOCA1" closure code.

LOCA1: Location Unknown After One-Year Search

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The Unit must send form 470/0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support*, to the recipient of services 60 days before closure. During the 60-day period following the issuance of the form and during any appeal process, continue to look for the payor, and continue any appropriate enforcement actions.

ICAR automatically searches for location and employment information on the case. ICAR sends information about the payor to the Federal Case Registry (FCR) in an attempt to obtain the payor's social security number.

You may manually generate form 470_3199, *Request for New Information About Obligor*, and send it to the payee for a particular payor or alleged father. To manually generate it, enter a "Y" in the SEND PAYEE LETTER field on the LOCATE screen and press the F3 key.

This form is specific to the alleged father or payor listed on the LOCATE screen on which you requested the form. ICAR does not allow you to generate this form if:

- The alleged father is bypassed or excluded by genetic tests or another person is the payor on the case;
- ◆ The account type is 14, 15, 16, or 19;
- The case account type is 17 and the case does not have a IV-D balance;
- ◆ The payor or alleged father about whom ICAR would otherwise send the form is deceased; or
- The payee does not have a verified address listed on the PAYEE screen.

LOCA1: Criteria

The automated program to close LOCA1 cases runs the third weekend of each month. When there is no SSN stored on the case for a payor or alleged father, ICAR selects cases with all the following characteristics:

- ♦ The CASE OPEN DATE field on the CASE screen is at least one year old.
- ♦ No current verified employer or address exists.
- ♦ No payments have been made in the last year.

- ◆ The Unit has had no verified mailing address or employer for the payor or alleged father in the last year. ICAR maintains an internal indicator that records the date the worker deleted the last verified address or employer (whichever is more recent) from the PAYOR or PAYEMP screen.
- ◆ The payor or most recently added alleged father has been on the case for a minimum of one year.

LOCA1: ICAR-Initiated Activities at the Time of Notice of Termination

When the case meets the closure criteria, ICAR does the following:

- ♦ Checks the ICAR CASE WRKR ID field on the CASE screen.
- Generates form 470/0201, Notice of Termination of Child Support, with the appropriate message and sends it to the recipient of services, unless the account type is 17 and the worker ID is "CSC," "PL," "AFC," or "AAF."
- ♦ Enters "LOCA1" in the REASON field on the CASE screen.
- ♦ Displays the current date in the TERM NOTICE SENT field on the CASE screen.
- ♦ Issues a narrative (CLOSE81) documenting the closure notice was sent and the reason for closure.
- Sets an internal system calendar flag for 60 calendar days.

See <u>Stopping or Preventing Case Closure</u>, if you receive a response or further information in the 60 days before ICAR completes the closure process that warrants keeping the case open.

LOCA1: ICAR-Initiated Activities After 60 Calendar Days

Sixty days after generating form 470/0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support*, ICAR does the following:

- ♦ Enters a "C" in the STATUS field on the CASE screen.
- Enters the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field on the CASE screen.
- ◆ Issues the appropriate narrative based on the CURRENT ACCT TYPE field on the CASE screen. See <u>Appropriate Narratives by Current Account Type</u>.
- ◆ Issues a calendar flag (CLOSE2) showing which closure code ICAR entered.
- Notifies IM through the REFER system if the case account type is 11 or 18.

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1. The payee applies for services and you open a case in July 2012. You do not know the payor's social security number, so you leave the SSN field on the LOCATE screen blank. You do not know the payor's address either, so you leave the ADDVER screen blank.

In February 2013, you send form 470_3199, *Request for New Information About Obligor*, to the payee. The payee returns the form but offers no new information.

In August 2013, ICAR closes the case using the "LOCA1" closure code.

2. The payee applies for services and you open a case in July 2012. You do not know the payor's social security number, so you leave the SSN field on the LOCATE screen blank. You do not know the payor's address so you leave the ADDVER screen blank.

In December 2012, you remove the payee's address but do not have the payee's new address.

In February 2013, ICAR still does not have a verified address for the payor. You cannot send form 470_3199, *Request for New Information About Obligor*, to the payee because ICAR does not have a verified address for the payee.

In March 2013, you find a verified address for the payee, and send *Request for New Information About Obligor* to the payee. The payee does not return the form.

In July 2013, the case has been open for one year, ICAR still does not have a social security number or address for the payor, and you sent the form to the recipient of services. ICAR closes the case using the "LOCA1" closure code.

NSOR: No Current Support, No Arrears

Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11(b)(1); 441 IAC 95.14(1)"a"(1)

The Unit may terminate services when the payor pays the full amount of a courtordered support obligation and the payor does not owe arrearages. Title 9: Child Support Administration and Location

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NSOR: No Current Support, No Arrears

NSOR: Criteria

An automated program to close cases that meet the NSOR criteria runs monthly. ICAR selects cases that meet the following criteria:

- ♦ The case has an obligation; and
- The case received payments within the last three years; and
- ♦ The balance is less than \$1.00; and
- Any reimbursement (RE) or medical reimbursement (MR) obligations have effective dates at least three years old, and other obligations have end dates of the current date or earlier.

If the case meets the criteria, ICAR enters "NSOR" in the REASON field on the CASE screen and issues a narrative (CLOSE1) documenting there is no longer a current support order and all support and arrearages are paid.

NSOR: Balance Below \$50

If the case meets the criteria above but the balance is between \$1.00 and \$49.99 (inclusive), ICAR does not close the case.

If there is a verified mailing address or phone number for the payor, contact the payor to encourage the payor to pay the balance in full.

NOTE: If the payor does not pay the balance and makes no payments for three years, the case may become eligible for closure under NSOR1. See NSOR1: No Current Order, Arrears Under \$500, No Recent Payments.

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NSOR: ICAR-Initiated Activities at the Time of Notice of Termination

When the case meets the closure criteria, ICAR does the following:

- ◆ Checks the CURRENT ACCT TYPE field on the CASE screen. If the account type is 11, 12, or 18, ICAR generates form 470/0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support*, with the appropriate message.
- ♦ Enters "NSOR" in the REASON field on the CASE screen.
- Enters the current date in the TERM NOTICE SENT field on the CASE screen.
- ◆ Issues a narrative (CLOSE1) documenting there is no longer a current support order and all support and arrearages are paid.
- Sets an internal system calendar flag for 60 calendar days.

See <u>Stopping or Preventing Case Closure</u>, if you receive a response or further information in the 60 days before ICAR completes the closure process that warrants keeping the case open.

NSOR: ICAR-Initiated Activities After 60 Calendar Days

Sixty days after generating form 470/0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support*, ICAR does the following:

- Checks for a payment received in the past 60 days.
- ♦ Enters a "C" in the STATUS field on the CASE screen.
- Enters the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field on the CASE screen.
- ◆ Issues the appropriate narrative based on the CURRENT ACCT TYPE field on the CASE screen. See <u>Appropriate Narratives by Current Account Type</u>.
- ◆ Issues a calendar flag (CLOSE2) showing which closure code ICAR entered.
- Notifies IM through the REFER system if the case account type is 11 or 18.

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 You open a case in June 2000 and establish an obligation of \$200 per month beginning October 1, 2000, and ending July 1, 2013.

The payor makes payments in full every month from the obligation start date (October 1, 2000) through the obligation end date (July 1, 2013).

The Unit receives the final payment on July 3, 2013. The balance on the case is \$0 and no future support will be due. ICAR sends the recipient of services form 470/0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support*, and begins to close the case using the "NSOR" closure code.

2. You open a case in June 2000 and establish an obligation of \$200 per month beginning October 1, 2000, and ending July 1, 2013. You also establish a \$2,000 reimbursement order due October 1, 2000.

The payor makes regular payments on the ongoing obligation and makes periodic payments on the reimbursement order. In July 2013, the payor pays the current support obligation in full. However, the payor still owes \$650 on the reimbursement order.

In August 2013, the payor makes the final payment of \$650. The balance on the case is \$0. ICAR sends the recipient of services form 470/0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support*, and begins to close the case using the "NSOR" closure code.

3. You open a case in June 2001 and establish an obligation of \$150 per month beginning June 1, 2001, and ending July 1, 2015.

The payor is self-employed but makes regular payments. In July 2015, the payor pays the current support obligation in full but still owes \$45 in arrears.

Because the balance is more than \$1, ICAR does <u>not</u> close the case using the "NSOR" closure code.

However, you review the case and find the case received payments in the last three years but has not received an income withholding order payment in the last three months. You should contact the payor and encourage payor to pay the small balance in full so the case can close.

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NSOR1: No Current Order, Arrears Under \$500, No Recent Payments

Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11(b)(1); 441 IAC 95.14(1)"a"(1)

The Unit may terminate services when there is no longer a current support order, and past-due amounts are under \$500.00 or unenforceable under state law.

NSOR1: Criteria

An automated program to close cases that meet the NSOR1 criteria runs monthly. ICAR selects cases that meet the following criteria:

- ◆ The balance is between \$1.00 and \$500.00; and
- The case has one or more obligations that are at least three years old;
 and
- The case had no payments in the last three years; and
- Any reimbursement (RE) or medical reimbursement (MR) obligations have effective dates at least three years old and other obligations have end dates of the current date or earlier.

If the case meets the criteria, ICAR enters "NSOR1" in the REASON field on the CASE screen and issues a narrative (CLOSE26) documenting there is no longer a current support order, the past due amounts are below \$500, and no support has been collected during the past three years.

NSOR1: ICAR-Initiated Activities at the Time of Notice of Termination

When the case meets the closure criteria, ICAR does the following:

- ◆ Checks the CURRENT ACCT TYPE field on the CASE screen. If the account type is 11, 12, or 18, ICAR generates form 470/0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support*, with the appropriate message.
- ♦ Enters "NSOR1" in the REASON field on the CASE screen.
- ♦ Displays the current date in the TERM NOTICE SENT field on the CASE screen.
- ♦ Issues a narrative (CLOSE26) documenting there is no longer a current support order, the past due amounts are below \$500, and no support has been collected during the past three years.
- Sets an internal system calendar flag for 60 calendar days.

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See <u>Stopping or Preventing Case Closure</u> if, in the 60 days before ICAR completes the closure process, you receive a response or further information that warrants keeping the case open.

NSOR1: ICAR-Initiated Activities After 60 Calendar Days

Sixty days after generating form 470/0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support*, ICAR does the following:

- ♦ Checks for a payment received in the past 60 days.
- ♦ Enters a "C" in the STATUS field on the CASE screen.
- Enters the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field on the CASE screen.
- ♦ Issues the appropriate narrative based on the CURRENT ACCT TYPE field on the CASE screen. See <u>Appropriate Narratives by Current Account Type</u>.
- ◆ Issues a calendar flag (CLOSE2) showing which closure code ICAR entered.
- ♦ Notifies IM through the REFER system if the case account type is 11 or 18.
- 1. You open a case in January 2015 and establish an obligation of \$50 per month beginning March 2015 and ending December 2016.

The payor makes regular payments of \$50 from March 2015 through April 2016. From May 2016 through December 2016 (the end of the obligation), the payor does not make a payment, creating a balance of \$400. The payor makes no further payments.

In May 2019, three years after the last payment, ICAR begins closing the case using the "NSOR1" closure code.

2. You open a case in January 2014 and establish an obligation of \$50 per month beginning March 2014 and ending December 2015.

The payor makes regular payments of \$50 from March 2014 through November 2015. The payor makes a \$1 payment in December, creating a balance of \$49. In January 2016, you contact the payor encouraging payor to pay the balance in full. (See NSOR: No Current Support, No Arrears.)

The Unit does not receive a payment by January 2018 and ICAR begins closing the case using the "NSOR1" closure code.

NOTE: If the payor paid the final \$49 due on the obligation before January 2018, ICAR would begin closing the case using the "NSOR" closure code instead.

Worker-Initiated Closure

When a case meets the requirements for worker-initiated closure, follow the detailed steps outlined below for the appropriate closure reason. There are 20 circumstances when a worker initiates case closure. The worker-entered closure codes are:

- <u>CITZ</u>: The payor is a citizen of, and lives in, a foreign country that is not a Hague or Federal Reciprocating Country and has no reachable domestic income or assets.
- <u>CONT</u>: In a 60-day period, mail or support payments have been returned in a non-public assistance (NPA) case, and attempts to contact the recipient were unsuccessful.
- ♦ <u>COOP</u>: The recipient of services on an NPA case or child-only Medicaid case when the payee fails to cooperate, preventing the next essential step in providing services.
- ◆ <u>COOP1</u>: Obsolete. The bank returns the check for the application fee on an NPA case due to insufficient funds.
- ◆ <u>COOP2</u>: Obsolete. See <u>Deceased Payee</u> for current procedures.
- COOP3: Iowa is the responding state and the initiating jurisdiction has not provided information or materials needed for Iowa to take the next essential step in providing services.
- ◆ <u>DECD</u>: The payor or alleged father is deceased and the Unit cannot take further action.
- ♦ <u>DISA</u>: The payor has a medically-verified total and permanent disability with no support potential. Or the payor's only source of income is SSI and there have been no payments made by the payor within the last three years.
- ♦ EROR: A duplicate case or a reopened case where the circumstances leading to the original case closure remain unchanged and the Unit still cannot proceed.
- EXCL: A court decision or genetic tests exclude the alleged father and the payee does not know the identity of any other alleged father.
- GOOD: Obsolete. See GOODA: Good Cause for current procedures.
 - ♦ <u>INST</u>: The payor is institutionalized in a psychiatric facility and has no assets or income available that the Unit can levy or attach for the payment of support.
 - ♦ <u>LOCS</u>: A case referred by another state for location-only services is closed.

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♦ NCIN: It is not in the child's best interest to establish paternity because of incest, rape, pending adoption, or minor parents.

- ♦ NOFC: A child is no longer in foster care and there is no support due.
- NOID: The recipient of services cannot name an alleged father.
- ♦ NSOR2: No support order has been established with the payor or alleged father and an order is permanently unattainable under state law or when you have verified the payor or alleged father is considered a part of the household with the family on FIP or Medicaid.
- ♦ <u>PRSN</u>: The payor is incarcerated throughout the duration of the child's minority and shows no evidence of support potential. The payor has no income or assets the Unit can levy or attach for support.
- ♠ <u>REQU</u>: The recipient of services or the initiating state requests termination of services.
- REQU1: The payee is deceased and the caretaker requests termination of services.

Each section below explains specific situations and considerations necessary to begin a worker-initiated closure for each closure code. Review the case to determine whether it meets the requirements for closure as outlined in this section.

Before entering the appropriate reason code, check for any conditions that may block closure and for any special case circumstances that may affect closure. Check to make sure the demographic information is correct for the payee and payor before going forward with closure. See <u>Case-Specific Circumstances That Affect Case Closure</u> for more information.

For certain conditions that block case closure, ICAR displays online messages, such as the following, to let you know closure cannot proceed until you make the necessary case changes:

- ♦ "MUST FIX ERROR CONDITION BEFORE ATTEMPTING CLOSURE."
- ♦ "DISTRIBUTION AMOUNT IN HOLD CANNOT CLOSE CASE."
- "CLOSURE NOT ALLOWED OPEN PROCESS ON CASESTAT SCREEN."

If you misspell a closure reason, ICAR displays the following message: "INVALID REASON CODE — PRESS F1 FOR A LIST OF VALID CASE CLOSURE REASON CODES." Review the requested closure code, re-enter the code, and try again.

CITZ: Parent Citizen or Lives in Foreign Country

When you enter a closure code, ICAR issues a reason-specific narrative that requires your entry. To complete the narrative, explain how the case meets the closure criteria.

After issuing the narrative, ICAR generates form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, for all worker-entered reason codes except EROR, REQU, and REQU1. In these instances, ICAR displays the following online message: "THE CASE INFORMATION HAS NOW BEEN UPDATED."

Except for the "COOP" (non-cooperation) and "COOP3" closure codes, ICAR provides all information needed on form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*. These two codes require worker entry on the FORMVIEW screen.

CITZ: Parent Citizen or Lives in Foreign Country

Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11 (b)(10); 441 IAC 95.14(1)"a"(8)

The Unit may terminate services if all of the following are true:

- The payor is a citizen of, and lives in, a foreign country;
- ◆ The payor does not work for the federal government or a company with headquarters or offices in the United States;
- The payor has no reachable domestic income or assets; and
- ◆ The Unit does not have a reciprocity agreement with the payor's country of residence or country is not a Hague Convention Country.

CITZ: Worker Actions

When you find the payor is a citizen of and lives in a foreign country, check to see if the Unit has a reciprocity agreement with the country in which the payor resides or if the country is a Hague Convention Country. See <u>9-E Appendix</u>, Reciprocity Table, for a list of countries that share reciprocity with Iowa

If the Unit has a reciprocity agreement, or the country is a Hague Convention Country, do not close the case using the "CITZ" closure code. Attempt establishment and enforcement processes.

CITZ: Parent Citizen or Lives in Foreign Country

If the Unit does not have a reciprocity agreement, do the following:

- Contact the payee to see if the payor has any reachable domestic sources of income or assets, or works for the federal government or a company with headquarters or offices in the United States.
- Narrate and document these contacts, as well as the information obtained.
- ♦ If you find reachable domestic sources of income, do not close the case using the "CITZ" closure code. Attempt establishment and enforcement.
- ◆ If you cannot find reachable domestic sources of income, initiate case closure.

To initiate case closure, do the following:

- ◆ Check the address of the recipient of services. If there is no current verified address, consider closing the case using the "CONT" closure code. See <u>CONT</u>: <u>Recipient of Services' Location Is Unknown</u>.
- ♦ Access the case screen and enter "CITZ" in the REASON field. ICAR issues a narrative (CLOSE10) documenting the closure notice was sent and the reason for closure. In the narrative, explain your documentation for using the "CITZ" closure code.
- ◆ ICAR displays form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*. ICAR automatically enters all of the information for the form. Review the data to make sure it is correct.
- ♦ Send form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, by first-class mail to the recipient of services. Save a copy of the document in the imaged case file.
- ◆ The recipient of services can appeal case closure. Form 470-0201, Notice of Termination of Child Support Services, includes an explanation of the recipient's right to request a hearing according to Iowa Code Chapter 17A. For further information on the appeals process, see Preparing for an Appeal.

If you receive a response or further information that warrants keeping the case open, stop the closure process. See <u>Stopping or Preventing Case</u> <u>Closure</u>.

CITZ: Parent Citizen or Lives in Foreign Country

CITZ: ICAR-Initiated Activities After 60 Calendar Days

Sixty days after you generate form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, ICAR does the following:

- ♦ Enters a "C" in the STATUS field on the CASE screen.
- Enters the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field on the CASE screen.
- ◆ Issues the appropriate narrative based on the CURRENT ACCT TYPE field on the CASE screen. See <u>Appropriate Narratives by Current Account Type</u>.
- Issues a calendar flag (CLOSE2) showing which closure code ICAR entered.
- ♦ Notifies IM through the REFER system if the case account type is 11 or 18.
- 1. A child's caretaker begins receiving FIP. You open two caretaker cases—caretaker vs. the mother and caretaker vs. the father. You locate the mother living in Kenya, Africa. The caretaker does not know where the father lives, and you cannot locate the father through other means.

Since Iowa has not successfully established a reciprocity agreement with Kenya and Kenya is not a Hague Convention Country, close the caretaker vs. mother case using the "CITZ" closure code.

Do not close the caretaker vs. father case using the "CITZ" closure code unless you find the father and his case also meets the closure criteria for the "CITZ" code.

2. The payee applies for services and you open a case. You locate the father in El Salvador. Since Iowa does have reciprocity with El Salvador, do not close this case using the "CITZ" closure code. Keep the case open for the appropriate international establishment or enforcement actions.

CONT: Recipient of Services' Location Is Unknown

Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11(b)(15); 441 IAC 95.14(1)"a"(12)

The Unit may terminate services if, in a 60-day period:

- ◆ The children and payee are not on public assistance,
- The post office returns mail sent to the service recipient's address, and
- ◆ The Unit's attempts to contact the service recipient by telephone are unsuccessful.

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CONT: Recipient of Services' Location Is Unknown

In addition, the Unit may terminate services if the payee is deceased and the Unit cannot locate the caretaker or estate, or the caretaker does not respond or apply for services. See <u>Deceased Payee</u>.

Note: There are no residency requirements affecting where a recipient of services can and cannot obtain NPA services. **Moving from the state of I owa is not sufficient reason for case closure**. For the case to be eligible for closure when the recipient of services no longer lives in I owa the case must meet the requirements listed above or the case must meet one of the other closure requirements.

If legal action to establish a reimbursement order is pending on a former PA case, consult with the supervisor or regional collections administrator before terminating services.

CONT: Worker Action Before Initiating Case Closure for Returned Mail

Before initiating case closure due to returned mail, the Unit or the Collection Services Center must receive returned mail that indicates the service recipient's address is unknown and the mail cannot be forwarded.

When the post office returns the recipient's mail as undeliverable, do the following:

- ◆ Follow the procedures for handling returned mail.
- Move the address to history.
- ◆ Attempt to contact the recipient of services by telephone. Narrate the results of your attempt.
- ◆ Attempt to locate the recipient of services using other sources. Note: If the payee or children are on public assistance, do not close the case. Instead, contact the IM worker to find the current address.
 - If you find a new address, verify the address and add it to ICAR. If you verify the recipient of services' address at any point, do not close the case.
 - If you cannot find a new address, send the recipient of services a letter by first-class mail to the last known address. Narrate your attempt. (You do not need to send a specific form—you can send a status letter.)

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 Set a calendar flag reminding yourself to review the case in 60 days. Do not initiate case closure until the 60 days pass.

Once 60 days pass, initiate case closure.

IMPORTANT: You must make a good faith effort to contact the recipient through at least two different methods including sending a letter by first-class mail and allow 60 days to pass before initiating closure.

Refer to the location process for instructions on moving addresses to history and finding and verifying new addresses.

CONT: Worker Action to Initiate Closure

See <u>Deceased Payee</u> for required actions before initiating case closure for a deceased payee.

To initiate case closure, do the following:

- ♦ Enter "CONT" in the REASON field on the CASE screen. ICAR issues a narrative (CLOSE19) documenting the closure notice was returned undeliverable and the worker has been unable to reach the payee by phone. In the narrative, explain your multiple attempts to contact the recipient of services.
- ◆ Access the FORMVIEW screen and manually generate form 470-0201, Notice of Termination of Child Support Services. Enter the form variables and review the form for accuracy.

NOTE: The recipient of services should not have a verified address on ICAR. If the recipient of services has a verified address on ICAR, ICAR displays *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services* and automatically enters all of the information for the form.

If this happens, do the following:

- Review the case to make sure it meets the closure criteria.
- If it does, review the data on the form to make sure it is correct.
- Move the address to history. Refer to the location process for instructions.

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◆ Send the form by first-class mail to the recipient of services. Save a copy of the document in the imaged case file. The recipient of services can appeal case closure. Form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, includes an explanation of the recipient's right to request a hearing according to Iowa Code Chapter 17A. For further information on the appeals process, see Preparing for an Appeal.

If you receive a response or further information that warrants keeping the case open, stop the closure process. See <u>Stopping or Preventing Case</u> <u>Closure</u>.

CONT: ICAR-Initiated Activities After 60 Calendar Days

Sixty days after you generate form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, ICAR does the following:

- Checks for an ongoing obligation or balance due.
 - If the case has an ongoing obligation or balance due, ICAR does not complete case closure, but attempts to convert the case to a non-IV-D case.
 - If the case has a balance assigned to account type 10, 11, 13, or 18, ICAR stops the closure process. You may be able to manually convert the case account type to a 17. See <u>Converting Cases from IV-D to Non-IV-D</u>.
- ♦ Enters a "C" in the STATUS field on the CASE screen.
- Enters the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field on the CASE screen.
- ◆ Issues the appropriate narrative based on the CURRENT ACCT TYPE field on the CASE screen. See <u>Appropriate Narratives by Current Account Type</u>.
- ◆ Issues a calendar flag (CLOSE2) showing which closure code ICAR entered.
- 1. The payee is the recipient of services. You remove the payee's verified address from the PAYEE screen on January 1, 2013. You attempt to contact the payee by telephone and are unsuccessful. You send a letter by first-class mail to the payee's last known address asking the payee to update the address and telephone number.

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CONT: Recipient of Services' Location Is Unknown

As of March 1, 2013, the payee has not made contact to provide a new address and you are unable to find a verified address for the payee. You can begin case closure using the "CONT" closure code. ICAR does not automatically generate the termination notice because the payee has no currently verified address.

You manually generate form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, and send it to the payee's last known address. The payee does not respond. On May 1, 2013, ICAR completes the closure process.

2. On March 1, 2013, an alleged father applies for IV-D services. You open a case and enter a "Y" in the PAYOR IS APPLICANT field on the CASE screen.

On June 1, 2013, you remove the payee's verified address from the PAYEE screen. You attempt to find the payee.

Do not close the case using the "CONT" closure code. The recipient of services is the alleged father, not the payee.

COOP: NPA Recipient of Services or Payee on a Child-Only Medicaid Case Fails to Cooperate, Unable to Proceed

Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11(b)(16); 411 IAC 95.14(1)"a"(13)

The Unit may terminate services when the NPA recipient of services or the payee on a child-only Medicaid case fails to cooperate and prevents the Unit from taking the next essential step in providing services. You must clearly document the recipient of services non-cooperation. You must also document the essential actions the recipient of services must perform for you to take the next step in providing services.

ICAR does not allow closure with the "COOP" closure code if the recipient of services is receiving Family Investment Program (FIP). If a PA recipient does not cooperate with the Unit, see 9-H, <u>Serving Qualified Customers</u>.

If legal action to establish an order for paternity or support is pending on a former PA case, consult with your supervisor or regional collections administrator before terminating services.

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COOP: NPA Recipient of Services or Payee on a Child-Only...

COOP: Worker Actions

To initiate case closure, do the following:

- ◆ Check the address of the recipient of services. If there is no current verified address, consider closing the case using the "CONT" closure code. See CONT: Recipient of Services' Location Is Unknown.
- ♦ Enter "COOP" in the REASON field on the CASE screen. ICAR issues a narrative (CLOSE16) documenting the closure notice was sent and the reason for closure. In the narrative, explain the action required of the recipient of services.
- ♦ ICAR displays form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*. On this form, enter a brief and specific statement of the problem and the action required of the recipient of services. You can enter up to two lines of text, each 65 characters long.
- ◆ Send a copy of form 470-0201 to the recipient of services. Save a copy of the document in the imaged case file.

The recipient of services can appeal case closure. Form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, includes an explanation of the recipient's right to request a hearing according to Iowa Code Chapter 17A. For further information on the appeals process, see <u>Preparing for an Appeal</u>.

If you receive a response or further information that warrants keeping the case open, stop the closure process. See <u>Stopping or Preventing Case Closure</u>.

COOP: ICAR-Initiated Activities After 60 Calendar Days

Sixty days after you generate form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, ICAR does the following:

- Checks for an ongoing obligation or balance due.
 - If the case has an ongoing obligation or balance due, ICAR does not complete case closure, but attempts to convert the case to a non-IV-D case.
 - If the case has a balance assigned to account type 10, 11, 13, or 18, ICAR stops the closure process. You may be able to manually convert the case account type to a 17. See Converting Cases from IV-D to Non-IV-D.

♦ Enters a "C" in the STATUS field on the CASE screen.

- Enters the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field on the CASE screen.
- ♦ Issues the appropriate narrative based on the CURRENT ACCT TYPE field on the CASE screen. See <u>Appropriate Narratives by Current Account Type</u>.
- ◆ Issues a calendar flag (CLOSE2) showing which closure code ICAR entered.
- 1. A payee begins receiving FIP. The payee refuses to cooperate with the Unit in attempting to establish paternity (she does not return necessary forms).
 - Do not close this case using the "COOP" closure code. You can only use the "COOP" closure code in NPA and Medicaid cases. Notify IM on this case to sanction the payee's FIP benefits. The case must remain open.
- 2. The payee applies for IV-D services. You open an NPA case on ICAR. The payee refuses to fill out the required establishment forms, claiming a violation of privacy. The payee refuses to name anyone that may be the father of the children.
 - Close this case using the "COOP" code. You cannot take location, establishment, or enforcement actions without the cooperation of the payee on this NPA case.
- 3. The payee receives FIP and cooperates with the Unit. The Unit establishes paternity and an order for support. After a period, the payee stops receiving FIP and the case account type changes from 11 (PA) to 12 (NPA). The payor only owes current support (the payor already paid all arrears). The payee does not respond to form 470-1981, *Notice of Continued Support Services*.

Do not close this case using the "COOP" closure code. The payee is not required to respond to the form. Leave the case open so enforcement can proceed.

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COOP1: Application Fee Returned for Insufficient Funds

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This closure code is now obsolete.

COOP2: Payee Deceased, No Caretaker Response

This closure code is now obsolete. Refer to <u>Deceased Payee</u> for current instructions.

COOP3: Initiating Jurisdiction Won't Provide Necessary Information

Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11(b)(17); 441 IAC 95.14(1)"a"(14)

The Unit may terminate services if the initiating jurisdiction does not provide information or materials necessary for Iowa to take the next essential step in establishment or enforcement services in an interstate case. Tribes and other countries should be given a significant amount of time to respond before closing the case. See <u>Closing Cases Involving Multiple States</u> for more information about closing interstate cases.

Use the COOP3 closure code only when the account type is 14, 15, 16, or 19. If you attempt to use it on any other account type, ICAR displays the online message, "COOP3 VALID ONLY FOR INTERSTATE ACCOUNT TYPE WITH ACTIVE INTERSTA SCREEN."

COOP3: Worker Actions

To initiate case closure, do the following:

- ♦ Enter "COOP3" in the REASON field on the CASE screen if the initiating jurisdiction does not respond.
- ♦ ICAR issues a status (CLOSE18) to the initiating jurisdiction. Enter the information that you need to take the next essential step in establishment or enforcement services.

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COOP3: Initiating Jurisdiction Won't Provide Necessary...

COOP3: ICAR Actions

ICAR does the following:

- ◆ Copies the information from the status into a narrative (CLOSE94) documenting the status (or CSENet) request was sent to the initiating jurisdiction.
- Issues a calendar flag (CLOSE29) dated 58 days in the future. The flag reminds you to review the case for any response from the initiating jurisdiction.

If you receive information that allows you to take the next essential step in services before the 60 days elapses, see <u>Stopping or Preventing Case</u> <u>Closure</u>. If you do not receive a response, do nothing.

COOP3: ICAR-Initiated Actions After 60 Days

After 60 days, ICAR checks to see if the case has an ongoing obligation or a balance due.

- ◆ If the case has an ongoing obligation or balance due, ICAR attempts to stop IV-D services by converting the case to a non-IV-D case. See Converting Cases from IV-D to Non-IV-D.
- ◆ If the case does not have a current support order or balance due, ICAR does the following:
 - Enters a "C" in the STATUS field on the CASE screen.
 - Enters the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field on the CASE screen.
 - Issues the appropriate narrative based on the CURRENT ACCT TYPE field on the CASE screen. See <u>Appropriate Narratives by Current Account</u> <u>Type</u>.
 - Issues a calendar flag (CLOSE2) showing which closure code ICAR entered.

COOP3: Initiating Jurisdiction Won't Provide Necessary...

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1. Illinois refers a case to Iowa requesting establishment and enforcement services for an alleged father. You locate the alleged father and establish paternity and a \$50 per month order for support.

Two months after the Unit begins collecting support, you find a discrepancy between our payment records and Illinois' payment records. You ask Illinois to send a copy of its certified payment record.

Do not close the case with the "COOP3" closure code. Since this is an lowa order, and we know of no other order, the state of Illinois non-compliance with our request does not hamper Iowa's ability to enforce the order.

2. Illinois refers a case for enforcement of arrears accrued under an Illinois order. Illinois does not provide a copy of the payment record. You request the payment record but get no response. You contact Illinois' Central Registry, but get no response. Iowa Central Registry also requests this information, but Illinois does not provide it.

Initiate case closure using the "COOP3" closure code. Illinois must provide valid court order information for you to take the next essential step in the case. ICAR will close the case in 60 days. If Illinois provides the requested information during the 60 days, stop closure.

3. Illinois refers a case to Iowa to establish a support order. You attempt to serve the alleged father at his verified address. The service is unsuccessful because the alleged father no longer lives at that address. You are unable to locate the alleged father's income provider or address using automated and non-automated sources.

You send a CSENet transaction and paper status to the initiating state explaining the alleged father's location is unknown and request they provide current location information so you can proceed. After 30 days, you have not received a response and you still do not know the alleged father's location.

Enter "COOP3" in the REASON field on the CASE screen to begin the closure process and request the information from Illinois again. If Illinois provides the alleged father's current location, stop the closure process. Otherwise, ICAR will close the case in 60 days.

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Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11(b)(4); 441 IAC 95.14(1)"a"(2)

The Unit may terminate services when the payor or alleged father is deceased and the Unit cannot take further action, including an administrative levy against the estate.

Only close the case using the "DECD" closure code when the following are true:

- You have documentation of the payor or alleged father's death.
- ◆ There are no assets for the Unit to pursue.

DECD: Worker Actions Before Initiating Case Closure

When you receive initial word of the payor or alleged father's death, do the following:

- ♦ Verify the death. You can use these sources:
 - Death certificate
 - Bureau of Health Statistics
 - Verification from Social Security Administration
 - Obituary notice
 - Newspaper obituary notice

Refer to the location process for more information on allowable ways to verify the death.

- ◆ Access the LOCATE screen and enter a "Y" in the DECEASED/DATE field. ICAR issues a narrative (CLOSE38) documenting that notice of the payor's death has been received. Complete the narrative with the source of the notice of death and your efforts to verify the death.
- ◆ End the court-ordered obligation if appropriate. See <u>DECD</u>: <u>Ending a Court-Ordered Obligation on the Date of Death of a Payor</u>.
- Enter the date of death in the DECEASED/DATE field on the LOCATE screen. ICAR issues two narratives (CLOSE42 and CLOSE38) documenting the notice of the payor's death has been received and verified.

IMPORTANT: Do not complete the DECEASED/DATE field until you verify the death.

- Close any establishment or enforcement process that cannot continue with a deceased payor. Do not end state or federal tax offset, since these can continue after the payor's death.
- ◆ Pursue any possible estate assets and narrate your efforts. See the location process for instructions on finding estates and assets.

Enter a "Y" in the DELAY CLOSING/ASSETS field on the LOCATE screen to ensure ICAR does not close the case while you search for assets. Remove the "Y" after all support payments from an estate or other source have been collected, or when you can confirm that no future payments (other than tax offsets) are possible. See <u>Stopping or Preventing Case Closure</u>.

Do not close the case until you verify the death and confirm that there are no assets the Unit could pursue.

DECD: Worker Actions to Initiate Closure

In addition to the normal situations that block case closure, ICAR does not allow you to close the case if it appears to have possible assets. Once you verify the death and confirm there are no assets the Unit could pursue, initiate case closure as follows:

- Access the CASE screen and enter a "DECD" in the REASON field.
 - If the DELAY CLOSING/ASSETS field on LOCATE displays a "Y," ICAR displays the online message: "CHANGE Y IN DELAY CLOSING ASSETS ON LOCATE SCREEN TO N." Since you have now confirmed there are no assets, enter an "N" over the "Y" in the DELAY CLOSING/ASSETS field to allow ICAR to close the case.
 - If the Unit certified the payor for federal or state tax offset and it has been less than one year from the date of death, ICAR displays the online message: "CLOSURE CANNOT OCCUR BEFORE 1 YEAR FROM DATE OF DEATH."

You do not need to set a calendar flag to remind you to close the case after one year passes. ICAR automatically closes it using the "DECDA" closure code if the case still meets closure criteria one year after the payor's death. See <u>DECDA</u> for more information.

- ◆ ICAR displays form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*. ICAR automatically enters all of the information for the form. Review the data to make sure it is correct.
- ♦ Send form 470-0201 by first-class mail to the recipient of services. Save a copy of the document in the imaged case file.

NOTE: If you receive a response or further information indicating assets are available, enter a "Y" over the "N" in the DELAY/CLOSING ASSETS field on the LOCATE screen. Narrate the new information about the deceased or assets available.

The recipient of services can appeal case closure. Form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, includes an explanation of the recipient's right to request a hearing according to Iowa Code Chapter 17A. For further information on the appeals process, see <u>Preparing for an Appeal</u>.

If you receive a response or further information that warrants keeping the case open, stop the closure process. See <u>Stopping or Preventing Case</u> <u>Closure</u>.

DECD: ICAR-Initiated Activities After 60 Calendar Days

Sixty days after you generate form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, ICAR does the following:

- ♦ Enters a "C" in the STATUS field on the CASE screen.
- Enters the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field on the CASE screen.
- ◆ Issues the appropriate narrative based on the CURRENT ACCT TYPE field on the CASE screen. See Appropriate Narratives by Current Account Type.
- ◆ Issues a calendar flag (CLOSE2) showing which closure code ICAR entered.
- Notifies IM through the REFER system if the case account type is 11 or 18.

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<u>DECD: Ending a Court-Ordered Obligation on the Date of Death of a Payor</u>

ICAR prevents you from entering a payor's date of death if the payor has any obligation with an end date that falls after the date of death.

Because the date of death is cross-referenced information, ICAR reviews all of the payor's cross-referenced cases when reviewing obligation end dates.

If any obligation end date falls after the date of death, ICAR displays the online message: "MODIFY OBLIGATION END DATE TO MATCH DATE OF DEATH ON CASE" and displays a case number to help you find the correct obligation.

For any obligation that ended with the payor's death, enter the payor's date of death in the END DATE field on the Obligation (OBLIG) screen.

ICAR does not allow you to change MR and RE obligation end dates.

 A case on ICAR has three alleged fathers. The most likely alleged father (according to the payee) dies before paternity is established. The other two named alleged fathers are not deceased and are not excluded from paternity.

Do not close this case using the "DECD" closure code unless all of the alleged fathers on the case are deceased, or the alleged father who is deceased is determined to be the payor (postmortem).

2. A case on ICAR has one payor. The order continues until the child's 18th birthday (January 2018). The payor pays all monthly coupons in full and on time.

The payor dies in May 2013. You end the obligation on the date of the payor's death and you verify the estate does not have money due to the child or the payee. Since the payor made all regular payments, the case does not certify for state or federal tax offset. Close the case using the "DECD" closure code.

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3. A payor on an NPA case owes child support payments of \$200 per month. The payor makes only a \$100 per month payment for 12 months and the Unit certifies the payor for state and federal tax offset. The payor dies.

When you verify the payor's death, complete the DECEASED/DATE field and enter a "Y" in the DELAY CLOSING/ASSETS field on the LOCATE screen. You confirm there is no estate and remove the "Y" from the DELAY CLOSING/ASSETS field.

ICAR does not allow you to close the case using "DECD" because the case is certified for tax offset and the payor died less than one year ago. Do not set a flag to prompt you to close the case in a year. ICAR will select the case for closure the month following the one-year anniversary of the payor's death.

DISA: Payor Is Permanently Disabled

Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11(b)(8); 441 IAC 95.14(1)"a"(6)

You may close a case when you have evidence a payor has a medically verified total and permanent disability and there is <u>no evidence of support potential</u>.

You cannot close a case merely because the payor is disabled or because the payor receives supplemental security income (SSI) benefits or social security disability (SSD) benefits from SSA or disability benefits from the Department of Veterans Affairs.

In order to determine if the case meets the criteria to close using the DISA closure code when the payor's only source of income is SSI, complete the Checklist for Determining DISA Closure and save a copy of the checklist in the imaged case file.

You may also ask the payor to provide verification from medical sources that the disability is total and permanent. You may give the payor form 470-3158, *Physician's Statement*, to be completed by the payor's physician. Refer to 11-G, Exemption From the License Sanction Process. For closure, there must be no evidence of support potential.

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DISA: Worker Actions

- ◆ Close any enforcement process. A payor's permanent and total disability does not necessarily prevent the establishment of paternity.
- Check the address of the recipient of services. If there is no current verified address, you may consider closing the case using the "CONT" closure code. See CONT: Recipient of Services' Location Is Unknown.
- Access the CASE screen and enter "DISA." ICAR issues a narrative (CLOSE8). Complete the narrative with the disability determination and the lack of support potential.
- ♦ ICAR displays form 470-0201, Notice of Termination of Child Support Services. ICAR automatically enters all of the information for the form. Review the data to make sure it is correct.
- Send form 470-0201 by first-class mail to the recipient of services. Save a copy of the document in the imaged case file.

The recipient of services can appeal case closure. Form 470-0201, Notice of Termination of Child Support Services, includes an explanation of the recipient's right to request a hearing according to Iowa Code Chapter 17A. For further information on the appeals process, see Preparing for an Appeal.

If you receive a response or further information that warrants keeping the case open, stop the closure process. See Stopping or Preventing Case Closure.

DISA: ICAR-Initiated Activities After 60 Calendar Days

Sixty days after you generate form 470-0201, Notice of Termination of Child Support Services, ICAR does the following:

- ♦ Enters a "C" in the STATUS field on the CASE screen.
- Enters the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field on the CASE screen.
- ♦ Issues the appropriate narrative based on the CURRENT ACCT TYPE field on the CASE screen. See Appropriate Narratives by Current Account Type.
- Issues a calendar flag (CLOSE2) showing which closure code ICAR entered.
- Notifies IM through the REFER system if the case account type is 11 or 18.

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- 1. A payor on a case suffers an accident and breaks both legs. Do not close this case using the "DISA" closure code. Broken legs are not a permanent and total disability.
- 2. A payor on a case suffers a stroke, and his doctors say that he is in a permanent vegetative state with little or no hope of recovery. The payor is a vice-president of a major company and has a collection of quarter horses at his farm near Lake Okoboji.
 - Do not close this case using the "DISA" closure code until you investigate further. While this payor meets the criteria of being permanently and totally disabled, do not close the case until you are sure the payor has no assets attachable for support. The payor may be receiving disability payments or income from the sale of assets that may be attached.
- 3. A payor on a case receives supplemental security income (SSI) payments and has medical documentation indicating that the disability is permanent and total. The payor has no known assets or income to attach for support. Use the DISA Closure Checklist and if appropriate, close this case using the "DISA" closure code.

EROR: Case Opened in Error

Use the "EROR" closure code to close the following types of cases:

- Duplicate cases.
- Cases reopened when the previous closure reason is still valid.

Duplicate cases may appear on ICAR due to incorrect referrals from the Automated Benefit Calculation (ABC) system or from workers accidentally pressing the F2 key instead of the F3 key on the CASE screen.

You should make every effort to avoid reopening cases if the circumstances that led to the original closure have not changed. However, if you accidentally reopen a case, you must determine if the Unit made any contact with the recipient of services.

If we did contact the recipient about the case, you must manually generate form 470-0201, Notice of Termination of Child Support Services, and enter the current date in the TERM NOTICE SENT DATE field before closing the case with the "EROR" closure code. Sending the Notice of Termination of Child Support Services ensures the recipient of services is no longer under the impression the case is open. See Reopening Closed Cases.

EROR: Case Opened in Error

Before closing duplicate cases, check for payments and transfer all payments to the appropriate case. Do not close an active case with this process without first checking with your supervisor.

EROR: Worker Actions

To initiate case closure, do the following:

- ◆ If the case is not a duplicate of a case already on ICAR, review the case to see if the Unit contacted the recipient of services. If so, do the following:
 - If you do not have a current verified address for the recipient of services, consider closing the case using the "CONT" closure code. See CONT: Recipient of Services' Location Is Unknown.
 - If you have a current verified address for the recipient of services, manually generate form 470-0201, Notice of Termination of Child Support Services.
 - Send form 470-0201 by first-class mail to the recipient of services.
 - Save a copy of form 470-0201 in the imaged case file.

You do not need to send the form if the case is a duplicate of one already on ICAR, or if the Unit did not contact the recipient of services.

- Review the case for payments. Transfer all payments to the correct case, if appropriate.
- ♦ Access the CASE screen and enter "EROR" in the REASON field.
- ◆ ICAR issues a narrative (CLOSE33) documenting the case was opened in error. Complete the narrative by explaining why the case meets the "EROR" closure criteria.

If you sent a copy of form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, the recipient of services can appeal case closure. The form includes an explanation of the recipient's right to request a hearing according to Iowa Code Chapter 17A. For information on the appeals process, see <u>Preparing for an Appeal</u>.

If you receive a response or further information that warrants keeping the case open, stop the closure process. See <u>Stopping or Preventing Case</u> <u>Closure</u>.

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EROR: ICAR Actions

ICAR takes the following actions immediately unless you generated form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*. If you generated the form, ICAR takes these actions after 60 days:

- ♦ Enters "C" in the STATUS field.
- Enters the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field on the CASE screen.
- ◆ Issues a calendar flag (CLOSE2) showing which closure code ICAR entered.
- 1. After reviewing the case, you determine it meets the criteria for automated closure, but you do not want to wait 60 days for ICAR to close the case. Do not close the case with the "EROR" closure code. Do not use the "EROR" closure code to speed up the case closure process.
- 2. A payee requests IV-D services. The payor lives and works in another state. Before you can establish paternity, the payee moves to another state. Do not close this case using the "EROR" closure code. Residency is not a requirement to receive IV-D services.
- 3. IM refers a case to ICAR without realizing ICAR already has another case for a payee, child, and payor combination. You create a new case on ICAR based on this referral. After two months, you realize the new case is a duplicate and the Unit is already working the original case. Close the new referral from ABC using the "EROR" closure code.
- 4. The payor threatens to take violent action against the Unit for establishing or enforcing a child support obligation. The payor specifically excludes harming the payee or the child and only directs the threat against the Unit. Do not close this case using the "EROR" closure code. The Unit must proceed with establishment or enforcement until the case meets criteria for case closure.
- 5. IM refers a case to ICAR when a payee begins to receive FIP. The payee provides a name and social security number for the payor but no address. You are unable to locate the payor with the given information and, after three years, ICAR closes the case using the "LOCA" closure code.

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A few months later, the payee goes off FIP and then back on, creating a new referral. Although the case circumstances have not changed since the case closed, you mistakenly reopen the case. You generate form 470_3199, Request for New Information About Obligor, and send the form to the payee. The payee returns the form but offers no new information.

Close this case using the "EROR" closure code. However, because you sent the Request for New Information About Obligor to the payee, you must manually generate form 470-0201, Notice of Termination of Child Support Services, so the payee knows the case is closed.

Once you send the form, enter the current date in the TERM NOTICE SENT DATE field and "EROR" in the REASON field. Because you sent a Notice of Termination of Child Support Services, ICAR waits 60 days before closing the case.

EXCL: Alleged Father Excluded

45 CFR 303.11(b)(6)(ii); 441 IAC 95.14(1)"a"(4)"2"; Legal reference:

Iowa Code Section 252F.3(6)m

Use the "EXCL" closure code only when a blood test or a genetic test excludes all alleged fathers on a case and the payee cannot name another alleged father. If the payee does not know the name of the alleged father, you may be able to use the "NOID" closure code instead. See NOID: Alleged Father Cannot Be Identified.

EXCL: Worker Actions

- Close any existing establishment process.
- Check the address of the recipient of services. If there is no current verified address, consider closing the case using the "CONT" closure code. See CONT: Recipient of Services' Location Is Unknown.
- ♦ Access the CASE screen and enter "EXCL" in the REASON field.
- ◆ ICAR displays form 470-0201, Notice of Termination of Child Support Services. ICAR automatically enters all of the information for the form. Review the data to make sure it is correct.
- Send form 470-0201 by first-class mail to the recipient of services. Save a copy of the document in the imaged case file.

EXCL: Alleged Father Excluded

The recipient of services can appeal case closure. Form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, includes an explanation of the recipient's right to request a hearing according to Iowa Code Chapter 17A. For further information on the appeals process, see Preparing for an Appeal.

If you receive a response or further information that warrants keeping the case open, stop the closure process. See <u>Stopping or Preventing Case Closure</u>.

EXCL: ICAR-Initiated Activities After 60 Calendar Days

Sixty days after you generate form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, ICAR does the following:

- ♦ Enters a "C" in the STATUS field on the CASE screen.
- Enters the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field on the CASE screen.
- ♦ Issues the appropriate narrative based on the CURRENT ACCT TYPE field on the CASE screen. See Appropriate Narratives by Current Account Type.
- ◆ Issues a calendar flag (CLOSE2) showing which closure code ICAR entered.
- ♦ Notifies IM through the REFER system if the case account type is 11 or 18.
- 1. The alleged father applies for services and you create an NPA case on ICAR. Genetic testing reveals that the recipient of services is not the biological father of the child. Research indicates he is also not the legal father of the child.
 - Close the case using the "EXCL" closure code. You could also close the case with the "REQU" closure code if the recipient of services (the now-excluded alleged father) requests closure.
- 2. Genetic testing excludes the only alleged father on a case. You hold a follow-up interview with the payee and she names another alleged father. The payee indicates she knows his first name, but not his last name. You cannot locate the alleged father with the limited information.
 - Do not close the case using the "EXCL" closure code. Since neither genetic testing nor a blood test excluded the unnamed alleged father, close the case using the "NOID" closure code.

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GOOD: Good Cause

This closure code is now obsolete. Refer to <u>GOODA: Good Cause</u> for current instructions.

INST: Payor Institutionalized in Psychiatric Facility

Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11(b)(8); 441 IAC 95.14(1)"a"(6)

Psychiatric institutionalization is seldom a permanent condition. If you have reason to believe the court or psychiatric facility will release the payor before the last child becomes emancipated, do not close the case. If you know of assets the Unit can attach or levy for child support, do not close the case.

INST: Worker Actions

Before closing the case, do the following:

- Determine if there are assets or income the Unit can levy or attach for support. If any exist, pursue the assets to the extent possible before closing the case.
- If no assets or income exist, close the enforcement process. Mental illness does not necessarily prevent the establishment of paternity, so pursue paternity establishment if necessary.

After you pursue any assets or income to the extent possible and close any enforcement processes, initiate case closure by doing the following:

- ◆ Check the address of the recipient of services. If there is no current verified address, consider closing the case using the "CONT" closure code. See CONT: Recipient of Services' Location Is Unknown.
- ◆ Access the CASE screen and enter "INST" in the REASON field. ICAR issues a narrative (CLOSE7) documenting the closure notice was sent and the reason for closure. Complete the narrative with the following:
 - The severity of the illness to merit closure,
 - The absence of assets or income.

INST: Payor Institutionalized in Psychiatric Facility

- ♦ ICAR displays form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*. ICAR automatically enters all of the information for the form. Review the data to make sure it is correct.
- ♦ Send form 470-0201 by first-class mail to the recipient of services. Save a copy of the document in the imaged case file. Note: The information on form 470-0201 does not disclose that the payor is institutionalized in a psychiatric facility.

If the recipient of services contacts the Unit and requests specific information regarding the reason for case closure, cite the Code of Federal Regulations: 45 CFR 303.11(b)(8). This citation gives the Unit the authority to close the case for a number of reasons, including the "INST" closure criteria.

The recipient of services can appeal case closure. Form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, includes an explanation of the recipient's right to request a hearing according to Iowa Code Chapter 17A. For further information on the appeals process, see <u>Preparing for an Appeal</u>.

If you receive a response or further information that warrants keeping the case open, stop the closure process. See <u>Stopping or Preventing Case</u> <u>Closure</u>.

INST: ICAR-Initiated Activities After 60 Calendar Days

Sixty days after you generate form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, ICAR does the following:

- ♦ Enters a "C" in the STATUS field on the CASE screen.
- Enters the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field on the CASE screen.
- ♦ Issues the appropriate narrative based on the CURRENT ACCT TYPE field on the CASE screen. See <u>Appropriate Narratives by Current Account Type</u>.
- ◆ Issues a calendar flag (CLOSE2) showing which closure code ICAR entered.

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1. The payor registers in a drug rehabilitation center. The center is not a permanent care facility and it plans to release the payor before the emancipation of the youngest child. Do not close this case with the "INST" closure code.

2. The payor is being treated at a state-run psychiatric hospital as the result of a court order for institutionalization. The court order states that the payor must remain institutionalized for an undetermined amount of time.

You find out the psychiatric facility will not release the payor for the duration of the children's minority and you verify the payor has no assets or income that the Unit can levy or attach for support. Close the case using the "INST" closure code.

LOCS: Location-Only Services Provided

Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11(b)(11); 441 IAC 95.14(1)"a"(9)

Location-only services are available to people who do not wish to apply for the Unit's other services. Central Registry staff used this code to close cases opened on ICAR to perform these services. The Unit no longer opens cases on ICAR in these situations. As a result, the "LOCS" closure code has become obsolete.

NCIN: Paternity Establishment Not in Child's Interest

Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11(b)(6)(iii); 441 IAC 95.14(1)"a"(4)"3"

You may deny or terminate support services if the Unit determines it is not in the best interest of the child to establish paternity. The Unit determines it is not in the child's best interest to establish paternity under the following conditions:

- ♦ If the case involves incest.
- If the case involves rape.
- If the case has a pending legal proceeding for adoption.
- ◆ In some cases on which one or both of the parents is a minor. (See 10-A, <u>Administrative Paternity Establishment</u>; 10-I, <u>Administrative Establishment of Support</u>; and the establishment process.)

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NCIN: Worker Actions

♦ Close the establishment process.

- ◆ Check the address of the recipient of services. If there is no current verified address, consider closing the case using the "CONT" closure code. See CONT: Recipient of Services' Location Is Unknown.
- ◆ Access the CASE screen and enter "NCIN" in the REASON field. ICAR issues a narrative (CLOSE11) documenting the closure notice was sent and the reason for closure. Complete the narrative with your documentation for using the "NCIN" closure code.
- ◆ ICAR displays form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*. ICAR automatically enters all of the information for the form. Review the data to make sure it is correct.
- Send form 470-0201 by first-class mail to the recipient of services. Save a copy of the document in the imaged case file.

The recipient of services can appeal case closure. Form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, includes an explanation of the recipient's right to request a hearing according to Iowa Code Chapter 17A. For further information on the appeals process, see <u>Preparing for an Appeal</u>.

If you receive a response or further information that warrants keeping the case open, stop the closure process. See <u>Stopping or Preventing Case</u> <u>Closure</u>.

NCIN: ICAR-Initiated Activities After 60 Calendar Days

Sixty days after you generate form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, ICAR does the following:

- ♦ Enters a "C" in the STATUS field on the CASE screen.
- Enters the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field on the CASE screen.
- ◆ Issues the appropriate narrative based on the CURRENT ACCT TYPE field on the CASE screen. See <u>Appropriate Narratives by Current Account Type</u>.
- ♦ Issues a calendar flag (CLOSE2) showing which closure code ICAR entered.
- ♦ Notifies IM through the REFER system if the case account type is 11 or 18.

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NCIN: Paternity Establishment Not in Child's Interest

1. A child's parents were married at the time of the child's birth and the parents' marriage established paternity for the child. There is no order for support for this child. Shortly after the Unit opens the case on ICAR, the payee tells the worker a new spouse adopted the child.

Do not close this case using the "NCIN" closure code. The payee's former marriage to the previous legal father established paternity for the child before the new spouse adopted the child. See NSOR2: No Order NSOR2: No Order Established, Establishment Now Prohibited.

- 2. The payee on a PA case informs IM the father of the child is her brother. Close the case using the "NCIN" closure code. This is a case of incest. It is not in the child's best interests to establish paternity when the child's father is also the child's uncle.
- 3. The payee was 20 years old at the time the parents conceived the child. The payee applies for PA services and names an alleged father who was 15 years old at the time of conception.

Close the case using the "NCIN" closure code. The Unit does not establish an order against a minor alleged father in this circumstance.

NOFC: Child No Longer in Foster Care, No Support Due

Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11(b)(1); 441 IAC 95.14(1)"a"(1)

Only use this closure code to close cases where all of the following are true:

- The Unit opened the case when the child entered foster care.
- The child is no longer in foster care.
- ♦ The case has a \$0 support balance.

Do not use the "NOFC" closure code to close a case if the Unit opened the case before the child entered foster care.

NOFC: Worker Actions

Access the CASE screen and enter "NOFC" in the REASON field.

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NOFC: ICAR Actions

ICAR does the following:

- ♦ Issues a narrative (CLOSE25) documenting the case closed and the reason for closure.
- ♦ Enters "C" in the STATUS field.
- Enters the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field on the CASE screen.
- ◆ Issues a calendar flag (CLOSE2) showing which closure code ICAR entered.

NOID: Alleged Father Cannot Be Identified

Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11(b)(6)(iv); 441 IAC 95.14(1)"a"(4)"4"

When IM refers a case to the Unit, the payee is required to cooperate with the Unit. This cooperation includes providing information regarding the payor or alleged father.

If you have at least one face-to-face interview with the recipient of services and the recipient of services cannot identify the alleged father, you can close the case using the "NOID" closure code.

If you identify at least one alleged father, but do not have enough information to find him, do not close the case using the "NOID" closure code. See <u>LOCA:</u>
<u>Location Unknown After Three-Year Search</u> and <u>LOCA1: Location Unknown After One-Year Search</u>.

If a genetic test, court order, or blood test proves an alleged father is not the child's parent and the recipient of services cannot name any other alleged father, do not close the case using the "NOID" closure code. See EXCL: Alleged Father
Excluded.

NOTE: You may close a child-only Medicaid case using the "NOID" closure code when the payee refuses to identify an alleged father and you cannot identify the alleged father using other means. In a child-only Medicaid case, the children receive Medicaid, but the payee does not. The payee is not required to cooperate in these cases.

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You must still complete an interview with the payee to close the case using the "NOID" closure code. If the payee refuses a face-to-face interview, you may interview the payee over the phone. If the payee also refuses a phone interview, you cannot close the case using the "NOID" closure code.

NOID: Worker Actions

Before closing the case, do the following:

- Interview the recipient of services to obtain as much information about the alleged father as possible.
- On the LOCATE screen, enter as much information about the alleged father as possible. If the payee does not know either the alleged father's first or the last name, enter UNKNOWN in the appropriate name field.
 - If you can proceed with location or establishment with the information provided, keep the case open.
 - If you believe that the payee may be able to provide this information in the future, keep the case open.
 - If you cannot proceed with location or establishment, initiate case closure.

To initiate case closure, do the following:

- ◆ Check the address of the recipient of services. If there is no current verified address, consider closing the case using the "CONT" closure code. See CONT: Recipient of Services' Location Is Unknown.
- ◆ Access the CASE screen and enter "NOID" in the REASON field.
- ◆ ICAR issues a narrative (CLOSE76) documenting no alleged father can be identified after at least one interview with the payee. Complete the narrative by documenting when the interview occurred and what information is necessary to identify the alleged father.
- ◆ ICAR displays form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*. ICAR automatically enters all of the information for the form. Review the data to make sure it is correct.
- ♦ Send form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, by first-class mail to the recipient of services. Save a copy of the document in the imaged case file.

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The recipient of services can appeal case closure. Form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, includes an explanation of the recipient's right to request a hearing according to Iowa Code Chapter 17A. For further information on the appeals process, see Preparing for an Appeal.

If you receive a response or further information that warrants keeping the case open, stop the closure process. See <u>Stopping or Preventing Case</u> <u>Closure</u>.

NOID: ICAR-Initiated Activities After 60 Calendar Days

Sixty days after you generate from 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, ICAR does the following:

- ♦ Enters a "C" in the STATUS field on the CASE screen.
- Enters the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field on the CASE screen.
- ◆ Issues the appropriate narrative based on the CURRENT ACCT TYPE field on the CASE screen. See Appropriate Narratives by Current Account Type.
- ◆ Issues a calendar flag (CLOSE2) showing which closure code ICAR entered.
- ♦ Notifies IM through the REFER system if the case account type is 11 or 18.
- 1. A payee receives FIP and returns forms 470-3929, Establishment Questionnaire, and 470-3293, Mother's Written Statement Alleging Paternity, completely blank. She indicates she does not know the father's first or last name. After conducting an in-person interview with the payee, you believe the payee knows the father's name but is trying to protect him.
 - Do not close the case using the "NOID" closure code. Because you believe the payee knows the alleged father's name, you must take the appropriate actions to obtain the name of the alleged father.
- 2. The payee receives FIP and indicates that the father could be any one of several different men. She knows the names of two of them, but not the others. She indicates she is unlikely to see any of these men again.

Do not close the case using the "NOID" closure code. Since the payee knows the name of at least one of the alleged fathers, attempt to locate the alleged fathers and establish paternity.

If genetic tests prove neither alleged father is the child's parent and the payee cannot name any other alleged father, close the case using the "EXCL" closure code. If you cannot find one or both of the alleged fathers, ICAR will close the case using the "LOCA" closure code or the "LOCA1" closure code.

3. The payee receives FIP and is the child's caretaker, not the child's biological mother. The payee does not know who the father is and indicates this on form 470-3929, *Establishment Questionnaire*. You interview the child's mother, but she says she does not know who the father is either.

At this point, do not close this case using the "NOID" closure code. You must hold at least one in-person interview with the recipient of services first. Since the recipient of services on this case is the caretaker, you must conduct an in-person interview with the caretaker before closing the case.

If you interview the caretaker and still do not have the alleged father's name, you may close the case using the "NOID" closure code.

NSOR2: No Order Established, Establishment Now Prohibited

Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11(b)(5); 441 IAC 95.14(1)"a"; Iowa Code 252C.2

When no order for support exists and state law now prohibits the Unit from establishing an order, you can close the case with the "NSOR2" closure code. Use this closure code when:

- All of the children are emancipated before the Unit obtains a support order.
- All of the children are bypassed for establishment before the Unit obtains a support order.
- All of the children are bypassed when the payor or alleged father is considered part of the household with the payee and children on FIP or Medicaid. The IM worker has verified that they are considered a part of the household.
- ◆ The noncustodial parent is living with the minor child as the primary caregiver, the custodial parent is deceased, and there is no assignment to the state of support of arrearages that accrued under the support order.

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NSOR2: Worker Actions

Before closing the case, do the following:

- ◆ Check the address of the recipient of services. If there is no current verified address, consider closing the case using the "CONT" closure code. See CONT: Recipient of Services' Location Is Unknown.
- Verify all children on the case reached the age of emancipation or have been bypassed for establishment.
 - If the current date is greater than the date in the EMAN/DUR END DATE field on the CHILD screen, the child reached the age of majority.
 - If the EST BY-PASS field on the CHILD2 screen displays a valid entry, the child has been bypassed for establishment. See 9-E, <u>Case Setup</u>.
- If the Unit has not established an order, check to see if it can establish an order.
 - If the Unit can establish a child support (CS), medical support (MS), health insurance (HO), paternity (PO) or reimbursement (RE) order, leave the case open for establishment.
 - If the Unit cannot ever establish an order (CS, MS, HO, PO or RE), initiate case closure.

To initiate case closure, access the CASE screen and enter "NSOR2" in the REASON field.

NSOR2: Immediate ICAR Actions

ICAR does the following:

- Checks all children on the case for either:
 - An emancipation date in the past, or
 - Any code in the EST BY-PASS field on the CHILD2 screen.
- Checks the case for any CS or RE obligation type.
- ◆ If any child has not reached the age of emancipation and has not been bypassed for establishment, or if the case had a CS or RE order, ICAR displays the following on-screen message: "NSOR2 NOT ALLOWED - NOT ALL CHILDREN EMAN. OR BYPASSED OR ORDER EXISTED IN PAST"

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- If all children reached the age of emancipation or federal and state law dictates the Unit must bypass establishing an order for the children, and the case never had a CS or RE order, ICAR issues a narrative (CLOSE74) documenting the closure notice was sent and the reason for closure.
- ◆ ICAR displays form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*. ICAR automatically enters all of the information for the form. Review the data to make sure it is correct.
- ♦ Send form 470-0201 by first-class mail to the recipient of services. Save a copy of the document in the imaged case file.

The recipient of services can appeal case closure. Form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, includes an explanation of the recipient's right to request a hearing according to Iowa Code Chapter 17A. For further information on the appeals process, see <u>Preparing for an Appeal</u>.

If you receive a response or further information that warrants keeping the case open, stop the closure process. See <u>Stopping or Preventing Case Closure</u>.

NSOR2: ICAR-Initiated Activities After 60 Calendar Days

Sixty days after you generate form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, ICAR does the following:

- ♦ Enters a "C" in the STATUS field on the CASE screen.
- Enters the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field on the CASE screen.
- ◆ Issues the appropriate narrative based on the CURRENT ACCT TYPE field on the CASE screen. See <u>Appropriate Narratives by Current Account Type</u>.
- ◆ Issues a calendar flag (CLOSE2) showing which closure code ICAR entered.
- Notifies IM through the REFER system if the case account type is 11 or 18.

1. The Unit uses genetic testing to establish paternity for a child. Before the Unit establishes an order, the court terminates the father's parental rights.

Since the court terminated the payor's parental rights, it is now impossible to establish a current support order. Since the payor owes no arrears, the Unit cannot establish an order on this case. Enter "TER" in the EST BY-PASS field on the CHILD2 screen. Close the case using the "NSOR2" closure code.

2. IM refers a case to ICAR. The payor returns to the family after one month. The family is now receiving FIP and IM includes the father on the grant.

State law prohibits the Unit from creating an ongoing support obligation when the child is living with the parent from whom support would otherwise be sought. Enter "FUP" in the EST BY-PASS field on the CHILD2 screen. Close the case using the "NSOR2" closure code.

3. The Unit entered an order establishing paternity of the children on the case. Support was reserved because the payor returned to the home and is receiving medical assistance with the family.

State law prohibits the Unit from creating an ongoing support obligation when the child is living with the parent from whom support would otherwise be sought. Enter "MUP" in the EST BY-PASS field on the CHILD2 screen. Close the case using the "NSOR2" closure code.

4. IM refers a case to ICAR that indicates the children on the case are currently receiving medical assistance with a caretaker. There is an existing support order for all of the children on the case.

The COURTORD screen has been setup on the caretaker case, but you were unable to redirect support to the caretaker case before the children left the caretaker's home. There are no obligations added to this case and no balance due. Enter "LEF" in the EST BY-PASS field on the CHILD2 screen. Close the case using "NSOR2" closure code.

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PRSN: Payor or Alleged Father Incarcerated

Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11(b)(8); 441 IAC 95.14(1)"a"(6)

The Unit can close a child support case if the payor or alleged father cannot pay support throughout the duration of the child's minority because the person:

- ♦ Is incarcerated, and
- Does not have income or assets available and shows no evidence of support potential.

The Unit <u>cannot</u> close a case if the payor or alleged father may be released during the child's minority. Even when a payor or alleged father receives a prison sentence, some actions, such as paternity establishment, income withholding, or state and federal tax refund offsets, may be possible. Since many inmates earn wages, the Unit can withhold child support from these wages by sending an income withholding order to the prison.

If the payor or alleged father's tentative discharge date falls within the child's minority, leave the case open. Periodically monitor the payor or alleged father's status for the expected release date through automated location efforts. Check for assets and income possibilities including federal and state income tax refund offsets and income withholding.

PRSN: Worker Actions

Before closing the case, do the following:

- ◆ Determine the payor's tentative discharge date (TDD). Check the narratives for the TDD. If the narratives do not contain a TDD, check the Iowa Corrections Offender Network (ICON) for the information. Refer to the location process for instructions.
 - If the payor does not have a TDD or the TDD falls after the child reaches majority and the prison will not release the payor during the child's minority, initiate case closure.
 - If the payor has a TDD, the prison will eventually release the payor. If the TDD falls within the child's minority, do not close the case using the "PRSN" closure code.

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• Complete any paternity establishment process, if appropriate.

- Determine if the prisoner has any assets or income available for support.
 - If so, do not close the case using the "PRSN" closure code.
 - If not, close any enforcement process and initiate case closure.

To initiate case closure, do the following:

- ◆ Access the CASE screen and enter "PRSN" in the REASON field. ICAR issues a narrative (CLOSE6) documenting the closure notice was sent and the reason for closure. Complete the narrative with the following:
 - Payor will be incarcerated throughout the duration of child's minority.
 - Absence of assets or income and shows no evidence of support potential.
- ◆ ICAR displays form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*. ICAR automatically enters all of the information for the form. Review the data to make sure it is correct.
- ♦ Send form 470-0201 by first-class mail to the recipient of services. Save a copy of the document in the imaged case file.

The recipient of services can appeal case closure. Form 470-0201, includes an explanation of the recipient's right to request a hearing according to Iowa Code Chapter 17A. For further information on the appeals process, see Preparing for an Appeal.

If you receive a response or further information that warrants keeping the case open, stop the closure process. See <u>Stopping or Preventing Case</u> <u>Closure</u>.

PRSN: ICAR-Initiated Activities After 60 Calendar Days

Sixty days after you generate form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, ICAR does the following:

- Enters a "C" in the STATUS field on the CASE screen.
- Enters the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field on the CASE screen.
- ◆ Issues the appropriate narrative based on the CURRENT ACCT TYPE field on the CASE screen. See <u>Appropriate Narratives by Current Account Type</u>.
- ◆ Issues a calendar flag (CLOSE2) showing which closure code ICAR entered.
- ♦ Notifies IM through the REFER system if the case account type is 11 or 18.

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> 1. You establish an obligation of \$50 per month effective October 2008. The obligation ends July 2025. The payor never makes a payment and his location is unknown. In May 2010, you discover a judge sentenced the payor to prison until June 2020.

Do not close this case using the "PRSN" closure code. The prison will release the payor before the child emancipates. Although the payor may be unable to make payments while incarcerated, keep the case open for enforcement.

2. You open a case without knowing the alleged father's location. After a short time, you discover the alleged father is in prison and it has been determined that the alleged father will not be released throughout the duration of the child's minority or after the child has reached the age of majority. The alleged father earns some money while incarcerated.

Do not close this case using the "PRSN" closure code. Although the alleged father is incarcerated, the Unit must proceed with establishment and enforcement.

3. You open a case on ICAR and establish a court order for \$200 per month in child support. After you establish the order, the payor commits a felony and a judge sentences the payor to prison for 30 years. During the incarceration, the payor has no opportunity to earn money.

Close the case using the "PRSN" closure code. The payor has no assets or income and no evidence of support potential due to incarceration during the child's minority.

REQU: Termination of Services Requested, No State Arrears

Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11(b)(12); 441 IAC 95.14(1) "a"(10);

441 IAC 95.14(1) "b"

A recipient of NPA services may ask the Unit, either verbally or in writing, to close the case if the following are true:

- ♦ The payee is not receiving FIP or Medicaid, and
- No support arrearages are assigned to the state.

NOTE: If the requestor of services verbally requests to close the case, ask the recipient of services to follow-up the request in writing. However, since a written request is not required, proceed to close the case.

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If applicable, explain to the requestor that the Unit continues to process any payments received and to enforce any balance assigned to the state. If the payor owes arrearages to the state, the Unit must continue enforcement to collect those arrearages. Because regulations for distribution require payments to apply to current support first, the payee may receive current support even after the Unit terminates child support services. When arrears are due the state, see Converting Cases from IV-D to Non-IV-D.

When Iowa is the responding state in an interstate case, the initiating state may request case closure. See <u>Closing Cases Involving Multiple States</u> for instructions on closing a case in these circumstances.

The child support recovery unit may terminate services when no support or arrearages that accrued under the support order are assigned to the state and the recipient of services requested the child support recovery unit to close the case to allow the tribal IV-D agency to start providing services under that program. The following criteria must be met:

- ◆ The child support recovery unit is notified that the child is eligible for health care services from the Indian Health Service (IHS); and
- ◆ The IV-D case was opened because of a Medicaid referral based solely upon health care services, including the Purchased/Referred Care Program, provided through an Indian Health program (as defined at 25 U.S.C.1603(12)); and
- ◆ The recipient of services requested the child support recovery unit to close the case.

Note: Central Office <u>must</u> review the tribal closure requests to determine whether you can close the case or not. After reviewing the case, Central Office will either provide you with instructions for closing, or information to share with the requestor if you can't close the case.

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REQU: Worker Actions

Before closing the case, do the following:

- ◆ Determine if any arrears are due to the state of Iowa to a 10, 11, 13, 18, 41, 43 or 48 account type. If the payor owes arrears to the state of Iowa, tell the recipient of services the Unit must continue to enforce the order until we collect all money owed to the state. Due to distribution hierarchy, the Unit still distributes payments to the payee first, if a balance is due the payee.
- Close any open establishment or enforcement process except the income withholding process. The case must meet certain criteria before you can end an IWO, and a request to terminate child support services is not one of the criteria. Refer to 11-F, <u>Income Withholding</u>, for more information.

To initiate case closure, do the following:

- ♦ Access the CASE screen and enter "REQU" in the REASON field.
- ICAR issues a narrative (CLOSE14) documenting the case closed.
 Complete the narrative with information regarding the recipient of services' request to close the case.

REQU: ICAR Actions

After the worker has initiated case closure, ICAR checks for an ongoing obligation or support balance due.

- ◆ If the case has an ongoing obligation or balance due, ICAR does not complete case closure, but attempts to convert the case to a non-IV-D case.
 - If the case has a balance assigned to account type 10, 11, 13, 18, 41, 43 or 48, ICAR stops the closure process. You may be able to manually convert the case account type to a 17. See <u>Converting Cases from IV-D</u> to Non-IV-D.
- If the case does not have a current obligation or balance due, ICAR will:
 - Enter a "C" in the STATUS field on the CASE screen.
 - Enter the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field on the CASE screen.
 - Issue a calendar flag (CLOSE2) showing which closure code ICAR entered.

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 An NPA recipient of services requests we stop attempting to establish an order against the alleged father. There is a balance due to the state due to FIP paid out. You manually change the account type for all of the children to 17 and narrate that the payee requested termination of IV-D services.

After the balance due to the state is collected, close the case using the "REQU" closure code. You may tell the payee that, due to current distribution laws, the payee may continue to receive support payments until the balance due to the state is paid in full.

2. The payor requests child support services, completes the necessary paperwork, and pays the application fee. After the Unit establishes paternity and a support order, the payor requests closure of IV-D services. There is no balance due to the state.

Close this case using the "REQU" closure code. The Unit is not obligated to send form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, to either parent to close this case.

3. The payee requests child support services, completes the necessary paperwork, and pays the application fee. After the Unit establishes paternity and a support order, the payor requests closure of IV-D services. There is no balance due to the state.

Do not close this case using the "REQU" closure code. The payor is not the recipient of services, and cannot request case closure.

REQU1: Deceased Payee, Caretaker Requests Termination

Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11(b)(12); 441 IAC 95.14(1)"a"(10)

The Unit may terminate child support services when:

- The payee dies,
- ♦ The caretaker does not receive public assistance, and
- The caretaker does not want child support services and requests case closure.

When this occurs, use the "REQU1" closure code to close the deceased payee's case.

When you receive documentation that the payee is deceased, see <u>Deceased Payee</u> before closing the case with "REQU1" closure code.

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REQU1: Worker Actions

Before closing the case, do the following:

- Determine if the payor owes any arrears to the state of Iowa.
 - If the payor owes arrears to the state of Iowa, tell the caretaker the Unit must continue to enforce the order until we collect all money owed to the state. Due to distribution hierarchy, the Unit may still distribute payments to the payee first, if a balance is due the payee.
 - If the payor does not owe arrears, ICAR allows the case to close.
- Close any open establishment or enforcement process except the income withholding process. The case must meet certain criteria before you can end an IWO, and a request to terminate child support services is not one of the criteria. Refer to 11-F, <u>Income Withholding</u>, for more information.

To initiate case closure, do the following:

- ♦ Access the CASE screen and enter "REQU1" in the REASON field.
- ◆ ICAR issues a narrative (CLOSE15) documenting the case closed. Complete the narrative with information regarding the recipient's request to close the case.

REQU1: ICAR Actions

After the worker has initiated case closure, ICAR checks for an ongoing obligation or support balance due.

- ◆ If the case has an ongoing obligation or balance due, ICAR does not complete case closure, but attempts to convert the case to a non-IV-D case.
- ◆ If the case has a balance assigned to account type 10, 11, 13, 18, 41, 43 or 48, ICAR stops the closure process. You will have to manually convert the case account type to a 17. See <u>Converting Cases from IV-D to Non-IV-D</u>.
- ♦ If the case does not have a current obligation or balance due, ICAR will:
 - Enter a "C" in the STATUS field on the CASE screen.
 - Enter the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field on the CASE screen.
 - Issue a calendar flag (CLOSE2) showing which closure code ICAR entered.

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Appropriate Narratives by Current Account Type

When a case closes, ICAR adds one of the following narratives based on the account type as recorded in the CURRENT ACCT TYPE field on the CASE screen:

- ◆ CLOSE 2: Case account type is 17 and the case is non-IV-D and non-foster care.
- CLOSE 3: Case account type is 17 and the case is non-IV-D and foster care.
- ♦ CLOSE 4: Case account type is one of the following:
 - 14 Interstate Family Investment Program (FIP) incoming referral
 - 15 Interstate non-public assistance (NPA) incoming referral
 - 16 Interstate foster care
 - 19 Interstate Medicaid only public assistance (PA)
- ◆ CLOSE 5: Case account type is one of the following:
 - 11 FIP
 - 12 NPA
 - 18 Medicaid only PA

NOTE: ICAR issues these narratives for all closure codes except "DECDA" and "GOODA." See <u>DECDA</u>: ICAR-Initiated Activities After 60 Calendar Days or GOODA: ICAR-Initiated Activities.

Processes Related to Case Closure

This section describes processes related to:

- Deceased Payee
- Distributing Money to an Estate
- ♦ Converting a Case From IV-D to Non-IV-D
- Ending an Obligation Upon the Termination of Parental Rights
- Generating a Notice of Termination of IV-D Services to the Recipient
- ♦ Identifying Cases With Open Processes
- ♦ IGOOD: Inactive Good Cause
- Preparing for an Appeal
- ♦ Reopening a Closed Case
- ♦ Stopping or Preventing Case Closure

Processes Related to Case Closure
Deceased Payee

Deceased Payee

Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11(b)(15); 441 IAC 95.14(1)"a"(12)

The Unit may terminate services when the payee is deceased and:

- ◆ The Unit cannot locate the current caretaker or does not receive a response from the caretaker, or
- ♦ The caretaker is not on public assistance, does not want child support services, and requests case closure.

When you receive verification that the payee is deceased, proceed as follows:

- Delete the payee's address to stop the system from generating letters to the payee.
- ♦ Enter a "D" in the HOLD field on the PAYEE2 screen to prevent inappropriate disbursement of payments.
- If there is a current obligation on the case, determine the current caretaker.
- ♦ If the case meets closure criteria, close the case using the appropriate closure code.

Identification of the Current Caretaker

If the case has a current obligation, use appropriate sources of information to determine the current caretaker. These sources may include:

- ◆ ICAR. Search ICAR to see if the children are on a case with the new caretaker.
 - There may be an open case with the new caretaker.
 - The caretaker may be receiving public assistance for the minor children.
 - The caretaker may already have applied for services with an NPA application.
- ◆ The IM worker. Contact the deceased payee's IM worker. The IM worker may have a pending application from the caretaker.
- ◆ The payor. Contact the payor. The payor may be the current caretaker or may know who is.

- ◆ The payee's family. A family member may be the current caretaker or may know who the caretaker is. Check to see if there is any family information listed on ICAR or in the imaged case file. The payee may have previously provided information about a relative to the Unit.
- The executor of the payee's estate. Attempt to locate the executor of the payee's estate. See the location process for instructions on locating estate and probate information.
- Someone who contacts the Unit with the information. Someone may contact the Unit to provide information about the current caretaker, such as the new caretaker or another interested party.

NOTE: If you need to contact a person to ask for caretaker information, you may send a copy of form 470-4079, *Request for Caretaker Information*.

If you cannot identify the current caretaker and the children are not receiving public assistance, do the following:

- ◆ Send a copy of form 470-4079 to the payee's last known address. Address the form to "The Estate of..." When generating the form, indicate that you are sending the form to the payee's last known address. ICAR includes language explaining that the Unit will stop enforcement services unless the caretaker applies for services.
- ◆ Include a copy of form 470-0188, *Application for Nonassistance Support Services*.

Resolution of Conflicting Claims

If you find conflicting claims regarding who is the current caretaker, refer the case to the Unit's attorney.

The Unit may petition the court for a declaratory ruling to determine who is entitled to receive the support payments. The petition must clearly indicate that the action is limited to determining the person entitled to receive the support payments and does not address the issue of custody.

Deceased Payee

Worker Actions After Caretaker Is Located

If the payor on the case becomes the caretaker of the children, inform the payor the current support obligation remains in effect until the payor gets a court order terminating the support obligation.

If the caretaker is <u>not</u> the payor, check ICAR to see if the Unit already has a case for the caretaker and the children. If not, do the following:

- ◆ If the children presently receive FIP, foster care, or Medicaid benefits, set up a new case on ICAR. The caretaker does not need to apply for services. The Unit temporarily assigns the order for support to the state until the caretaker no longer receives public assistance.
 - NOTE: If an IM worker replaces an original payee with a caretaker on an existing ABC case, set up a new case for the caretaker.
- ◆ If the children do not receive public assistance, contact the caretaker. Explain the services the Unit provides and the application process. Send the caretaker form 470-0188, Application for Nonassistance Support Services.
 - If the caretaker returns the application and the fee, set up a new case on ICAR. See 9-E, <u>Case Setup</u>.
 - If the caretaker responds and requests the Unit terminate services, see REQU1: Deceased Payee, Caretaker Requests Termination.
 - If the caretaker does not respond or apply for services, see <u>Caretaker Unknown or No Response</u>.

Updating the Caretaker Case

When setting up a new case for the caretaker, do the following:

- Copy the payor's and the children's information from the original case. Verify the correct account type appears on the CASE screen.
- Follow current office practice in redirecting the existing obligation to the caretaker.
- Copy the court order information from the original case.

- Create an obligation. Once the court approves the Order for Redirection, use the effective date as stated in the order as the obligation start date. Keep the same end date as the original order decreed.
- ◆ Add a new end date to the obligation on the original case. Use the date the court determined the new caretaker began caring for the children according to the Order for Redirection.
- ♦ If the payor paid the obligation in full up to that point, ICAR will close the original case under NSOR unless there are payments in hold.
- ◆ If the payor overpaid and payments are in hold, apply the overpayments to the new caretaker case.
- If a balance remains on the original case once the end date is added, follow current procedures to determine if the balance should be collected.

Payments in hold collected prior to the payee's death, and payments in hold collected after the payee's date of death that were applied towards the payee's arrears, become property of the deceased payee's estate. (See <u>Distributing Money to an Estate</u>.)

Caretaker Unknown or No Response

Initiate closure using the CONT closure code if:

- The estate does not respond to your request for information.
- You are unable to determine who the caretaker is.
- ◆ The caretaker does not respond or does not submit the required form 470-0188, Application for Nonassistance Support Services, and fee within the time limit.

Send form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, to the deceased payee's last known address. See <u>CONT: Recipient of Services'</u> <u>Location Is Unknown</u>.

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Distributing Money to an Estate

ICAR does not allow you to close a case if the case has money that still needs to be distributed. At times, this money may be owed to a deceased payor or payee estate. Follow these steps to distribute payments in hold to the deceased person's estate:

- Review all related cases to ensure the money is actually due to the estate. Be sure to check for caretakers or distribution issues.
- Attempt to locate the executor or attorney for the estate. If you cannot find the estate, attempt to locate possible heirs. Refer to the location process for instructions on locating estate and probate information and locating possible heirs.
 - If you locate the estate or possible heirs, send a copy of form 470-4077, Deceased Payor Notice of Money in Hold, or form 470-4078, Deceased Payee Notice of Money in Hold, to tell the estate or possible heirs that the Unit has money to distribute to the deceased person's estate.
 - If you cannot locate the estate or possible heirs, send a copy of the form to the deceased person's last known address. Address the form to "The Estate of..."

Converting Cases From IV-D to Non-IV-D

Sometimes the Unit needs to stop IV-D services but maintain a non-IV-D case on ICAR so CSC can process payments. This happens when a case has an ongoing obligation or a balance due and meets the closure criteria for one of the following closure codes:

CONT	Recipient of services' location is unknown.
COOP	NPA recipient of services fails to cooperate, unable to proceed.
COOP1	Obsolete.
COOP2	Obsolete (see <u>Deceased Payee</u> section).
COOP3	Initiating jurisdiction will not provide necessary information or
	materials.
REQU	Termination of services requested; no state arrears.
REQU1	Deceased payee, caretaker requests termination.

In these instances, the Unit stops IV-D services, but keeps the case open with a 17 case account type.

If you attempt to close a case using one of these closure codes and the case has an ongoing obligation or a balance, ICAR may convert the case from a IV-D to a non-IV-D case. If the case has a balance owed to a 10, 11, 13, 18, 41, 43 or 48 account type, ICAR does not automatically convert the balance types.

Automatic Conversion

When you attempt to close a case using closure code CONT, COOP, COOP2, COOP3, REQU, or REQU1, ICAR checks the case for an ongoing obligation or balance due before completing the closure process.

- ♦ If the case does not have an ongoing balance due, ICAR does not convert the case to a non-IV-D case, but completes the closure process. See the section of the manual describing each closure code for details.
- ◆ If the case has a balance due to the state of Iowa (a balance assigned to account type 10, 11, 13, 18, 41, 43 or 48), ICAR stops the closure process. You can manually convert the case, if appropriate. See <u>Manual Conversion</u>.
- ♦ If the case has an ongoing obligation or a balance due, but no balance due to the state of Iowa, ICAR does the following:
 - Deletes the closure code from the REASON field on the CASE screen.
 - Deletes the date in the TERM NOTICE SENT field on the CASE screen.
 - Enters a "17" in the CURRENT ACCT TYPE field on the CASE screen.
 - Processes the case through the subsystem for CASSIGN. Refer to 11-T, *Distribution*, for more information.

Manual Conversion

If the payor owes any balance to the state of Iowa, the Unit must continue to enforce the order until we collect all money owed to the state. Due to distribution hierarchy, the Unit still collects payments and distributes them to the payee first if a balance is owed to the payee.

If ICAR stops the closure process because the case has a balance assigned to account type 10, 11, 13, 18, 41, 43 or 48 do the following:

- Review the demographic information for the payee and payor to ensure it is correct.
- ◆ Convert any remaining unpaid non-PA balance to an account type 17. Do not convert balances assigned to account type 10, 11, 13, 18, 41, 43 or 48. Refer to the distribution process for more information.

- ♦ Change the case account type to a 17.
- ♦ If you are converting a case at the request of the payee, explain to the payee that the state will continue to enforce the case until the payor pays the total state balance.

Until the payor pays all arrears owed the state, do not change the ICAR CASE WORKER ID on the case screen to a CSC worker—the Unit must continue to enforce the case.

Once the payor pays the total state balance, you may transfer the case to a CSC worker to process payments for any outstanding balance assigned to account type 17. If there is no balance assigned to account type 17 due, ICAR closes the case under NSOR.

Ending an Obligation Upon the Termination of Parental Rights

Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11(b)(1); Iowa Code 600B.5

You may close a case when a court terminates the payor's parental obligation for all children on the case and the case has no balance due. A court-ordered obligation ends when a court terminates the payor's parental rights for all children on the order. The effective date of the termination of parental rights order becomes the end date of the established child support order.

When the court terminates the payor's parental rights for all children on a case, do the following:

- Obtain a copy of the order terminating parental rights.
- If the case has no order for support, close the case using the "NSOR2" closure code. See NSOR2: No Order Established, Establishment Now Prohibited.
- If the case has an order for support, enter the effective date of the termination of parental rights order as the end date of the established child support order.
 - If the case has no remaining balance, ICAR closes the case using the "NSOR" closure code. See NSOR: No Current Support, No Arrears.
 - If the case has a remaining balance, continue to enforce the case until the payor pays the unpaid support in full.

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Ending an Obligation Upon the Termination of Parental...

When the court terminates the payor's parental rights for some, but not all children on a case, continue to provide services for the remaining children. Discuss the case with your supervisor if you have questions.

NOTE: Follow these procedures in non-parental caretaker cases and in parent cases.

Generating Notice of Termination of IV-D Services to the Recipient

The Unit must send form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, or form or 470/0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support*, to the recipient of services for all closure codes except "LOCS," "REQU," "REQU1," and "GOODA."

If you close a case using any other manual closure code, ICAR immediately prints the online version of this form (470-0201) to the local printer. If ICAR closes the case through an automated closure process (AGEL, DECDA, LOCA, LOCA1, NSOR, or NSOR1), ICAR generates one copy of the batch version of this form (470/0201) that is mailed to the recipient of services. You do not need to make a copy of the form for the case file.

See <u>Preparing for an Appeal</u> for more information about providing a copy of the notice in case of appeal.

Identifying Cases With Open Processes

Before closing a case, first check data on the Case Process Status (CASESTAT) screen to identify any open establishment or enforcement processes. To access the CASESTAT screen, enter "CASESTAT" in the NEXT SCREEN field from any screen.

A number in front of a process on this screen indicates an active process on the case. For more information about this screen, see 9-E, *Case Setup*.

Processes Related to Case Closure Identifying Cases With Open Processes

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CASE PROCESS STATUS TIME:

CASE NUMBER: CURRENT ACCT TYPE: CASE STATUS:

PAYOR....:

PAYEE....:

INTERSTATE: INIT STATE: RESP STATE: MULT:

LOCATION PROCESS ESTABLISHMENT PROCESS ENFORCEMENT PROCESS APADDRESS PATEST INCOME WITHHOLDING

APEMPLOYER ADPAT LEVY
CPADDRESS ADMIN LISAN

CPEMPLOYER URESA SEEK EMPLOYMENT

CONTEMPT

MODIFICATION PROCESS

ADMOD

SEC ENFORCEMENT

REVIEW DCO MEDICAL

REGISTRATION CREDIT AGENCY REF

SUSPENSION UIFSA STATE OFFSET

REINSTATEMENT HCDEBT

F3=UPDATE, F5=INQUIRY

NEXT SCREEN: NOTES:

EXAMPLE: If there is an open administrative establishment process on the case, that section of the screen looks like this:

LOCATION PROCESS X ESTABLISHMENT PROCESS ENFORCEMENT PROCESS
APADDRESS PATEST INCOME WITHHOLDING
APEMPLOYER ADPAT LEVY
CPADDRESS 1 ADMIN LISAN
CPEMPLOYER URESA SEEK EMPLOYMENT

CONTEMPT

ICAR Actions

ICAR will not automatically close a case if there is an open process. Instead, ICAR issues a narrative (CLOSE78) documenting why the case did not close and a calendar flag (CLOSE34) informing you of the open process.

Worker Actions

If you attempt to close a case with a manually entered closure code, ICAR displays the online message, "CLOSURE NOT ALLOWED – OPEN PROCESS ON THE CASESTAT SCREEN."

When you receive this message, review the case and end any unnecessary active enforcement or establishment process.

If the case should not close for some reason other than an active enforcement or establishment process, you can prevent case closure by entering an "N" in the CLOSE (N) field on the CASE screen. See <u>Stopping or Preventing Case Closure</u>.

CASESTAT Exceptions

ICAR does not stop closure if there is an active CREDIT AGENCY REF, INCOME WITHHOLDING, ADPAT, or PATEST process displayed on CASESTAT.

- CREDIT AGENCY REF: This process remains active after closure because if more than one of a payor's cases meets the criteria for the credit agency referral program, all of the cases display a "1" in front of this field.
- ♦ INCOME WITHHOLDING: This process remains active after closure because certain state law limitations must be met before an income withholding order can be terminated. The Unit cannot terminate an income withholding order just because a child support case closed. Refer to 11-F, Income Withholding, for more information.
- ◆ ADPAT: ICAR displays a "1" in the ADPAT field on the CASESTAT screen when a worker enters a date in the MOTHER INTERVIEW SET field on the Administrative Paternity (ADPAT) screen.

The automated case closure programs require more than an interview before determining if there is an open ADPAT process. During automated case closure, ICAR uses the GENERATE NOTICES (Y/R) field on the ADPAT screen to determine if the case has an open ADPAT process.

When a worker manually closes a case, ICAR uses the CASESTAT screen to determine if the case has an open ADPAT process.

◆ PATEST: ICAR displays a "1" in the PATEST field on the CASESTAT screen when a worker enters a valid date in the CP INTERVIEW SET field on the Paternity Establishment (PATEST) screen. The automated case closure programs require more than an interview before they determine there is an open paternity establishment process.

During automated case closure, ICAR uses the GENERATE PETITION (Y/N/R) field on the PATEST screen to determine if the case has an open PATEST process.

When a worker manually closes a case, ICAR uses the CASESTAT screen to determine if the case has an open PATEST process.

IGOOD: Inactive Good Cause

ICAR automatically inactivates a case while the IM worker determines if good cause exists and the Unit should not pursue support establishment or enforcement. ICAR inactivates public assistance (FIP or Medicaid) cases using the "IGOOD" code when:

- ♦ The IM worker enters a "P" in the GOOD CAUSE field on the REFER2 screen. ICAR issues a narrative (REFER56) to document that the IM worker is reviewing the case for good cause.
- ◆ You refer the case to IM by placing an "R" in the GOOD CAUSE field on the PAYEE screen. ICAR issues a narrative (CASE64) to document that you referred the case to IM and prompts you to type the reason you made the referral.

The IM worker can make one of three decisions regarding the good cause claim:

- ◆ The IM worker grants good cause and ICAR closes the case. See GOODA: Good Cause for more information.
- ◆ The IM worker grants good cause but the Unit may still pursue the case to the extent possible without the recipient's cooperation. The IM worker enters a "C" in the GOOD CAUSE field. ICAR reactivates the case by removing the "IGOOD" reason code. ICAR also issues a narrative (REFER3) to document that IM determined good cause does not exist.
- ◆ The IM worker denies good cause and enters a "D" in the GOOD CAUSE field. ICAR reactivates the case by removing the "IGOOD" reason code. ICAR also issues a narrative (REFER4) to document that IM determined good cause does not exist.

Preparing for an Appeal

As mentioned earlier in this chapter, the recipient of services can appeal case closure under Iowa Code Chapter 17A. See 1-E, <u>Appeals and Hearings</u>, for information on appeals procedures.

If the recipient of services requests an appeal of the closure, get a copy of form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, or form 470/0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support*, from 9-I Appendix. This blank copy of the online version (470-0201) or batch version (470/0201) of the form includes the variable text from each of the closure codes.

Mark the box to the left of the case closure reason that corresponds to the language used in the form sent to the recipient of services. Present this form at the appeals hearing along with a screen print of the narratives on the case showing the date the Unit sent the form.

Reopening Closed Cases

Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11(c)(5); 441 IAC 95.14(2)

The Unit may need to reopen a closed case if there is a change in circumstances that could lead to the establishment of paternity, establishment of a support order, or enforcement of an order. The decision to reopen a closed case depends on the type of case (FIP, Medicaid-only or NPA) and whether the payee has a choice regarding child support services.

NOTE: Do not reopen previously closed cases, including FIP and Medicaid-only cases, if there are **no changes** in the circumstances that led to case closure **and no new information** is available.

FIP Recipients

FIP recipients do not have a choice regarding child support services. Reopen FIP cases when there is a change in circumstances that could lead to the establishment of paternity, establishment of a support order, or enforcement of an order.

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Medicaid-Only Recipients

Medicaid-only payees have a choice regarding child support services unless a referral is required. ICAR issues a calendar flag to closed cases when case participants are active in ELIAS on Medicaid. There may also be Medicaid-only recipients that are loaded to the Transfer of Benefit Information (TOBI) module that have cases in the ICAR archived case history file. For additional information on the TOBI module, see 9-F, Transfer of Benefit Information.

Review either TOBI or ELIAS to see if the payee is requesting child support services. Then take the following steps to determine whether to reopen a closed case or rebuild an archived history case:

- If the payee is requesting services and there is a change in circumstances that allows you to proceed with the case, reopen the closed case or rebuild the archived history case. (See <u>Rebuilding a Case</u> for more information on rebuilding an archived case.)
- If it is unknown whether the payee is requesting child support services, check to see if there is an existing child support order that includes cash medical support.
 - Reopen closed cases or rebuild archived history cases when there is cash medical support and there is a change in circumstances that allow you to proceed with the case.
 - If there is no cash medical support and the closed history case is in TOBI, enter "Y" in the FOI SENT field on the ICAR FAMILY GROUP screen in TOBI to send form 470-5179, Child Support Recovery Unit Medicaid Recipients Questionnaire, and form 470-5180, Child Support Questionnaire for Medicaid Recipients, to the payee. Do not reopen the case if the payee does not request services.
 - If there is no cash medical support and the closed case is in ICAR, depending on your office procedures you may want to contact the payee to see if the payee wants services. Do not reopen the case if the payee does not request services.

- ♦ If the payee is not requesting child support services, check to see if there is an existing child support order that includes cash medical support.
 - Reopen closed cases or rebuild an archived history case when there is a cash medical order and there is a change in circumstances that allow you to proceed with the case.
 - Do not reopen cases when there is no cash medical support and no request for services.

NPA Recipients

NPA recipients of services may request that the Unit reopen their cases. To do so, the recipient of services must complete form 470-0188, *Application for Nonassistance Support Services*.

To reopen a closed case:

- ◆ Access the CASE screen and enter "A" for active status in the STATUS field.
- Enter the current date in the REFERRAL/APPLICATION DATE field.
- ♦ Press the F3 key to update the CASE screen.

ICAR deletes the entries in TERM NOTICE SENT field, the REASON field, and the CASE CLOSED DATE field.

You must reopen each cross-referenced case separately.

- 1. A case closed with the LOCA reason code in 2014 due to no location for the payor. The Medicaid-only payee is now requesting child support services in 2016. You receive a calendar flag indicating the case is active on Medicaid. You review ELIAS and see that the payee provided new location information for the payor that allows you to proceed with the case. Reopen the closed case and proceed with the next appropriate steps.
- 2. A case closed with the PRSN reason code in 2013. The payor's prison release date is in 2025 which is beyond the youngest child's emancipation date. You receive a flag that the case is active on FIP again. The payor remains in prison and there is no change in the release date. Do not reopen the case because there is no change in circumstances that will allow you to proceed with the case.

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- 3. A case closed with the EXCL reason code in 2015 when the alleged father was excluded through genetic testing and the mother did not provide a new alleged father's name. The Medicaid-only payee contacts the local office to request child support services in 2016. The payee provides the name of the new alleged father. Reopen the closed case and proceed with the next step on the case.
- 4. A case closed with the DISA reason code in 2013 when the payor provided a physician's statement documenting a permanent disability and there was no attachable income at that time. In 2016 the NPA payee is asking to reopen the case because the payor is receiving Social Security Disability (SSD) benefits. The payee completed a new NPA application. Reopen the case and take the next steps to enforce the existing court order.
- 5. A case closed with the CITZ reason code in 2012 because the payor was living in India. You receive a flag that the case is active on Medicaid. ELIAS shows the Medicaid-only payee is now requesting services and the payee reported that the payor is back in Iowa. Reopen the case and proceed with the next step on the case.
- 6. A case closed in 2015 with the EROR reason code. You receive a flag that the case is active on Medicaid. ELIAS shows the Medicaid-only payee is not requesting services. You review the ICAR narratives and note the case was closed EROR because IM referred the case in error. You check and there is no cash medical support. Do not reopen this case since the payee is not requesting services and there is no cash medical support.
- 7. A case closed in 2015 with the COOP reason code. The payee failed to return the mother's statement. You receive a flag that the case is active on Medicaid in 2016. It is unknown if the payee is requesting services. There is no cash medical support. Do not reopen unless the payee requests services. Be sure to email IM to make sure they still have the payee in non-cooperation status.

Stopping or Preventing Case Closure

You may need to stop the closure process in the following circumstances:

- ◆ You receive a response to form 470-0201, Notice of Termination of Child Support Services, or form 470/0201, Notice of Termination of Child Support;
- You receive new information that allows you to take the next step in an establishment or enforcement action; or
- The payor is deceased and you are searching for or pursuing available assets.

To reopen a closed case, see Reopening Closed Cases.

<u>Delaying the Closure Process Using the DELAY CLOSING/ASSETS</u> Field

When you are searching for or pursuing assets for a deceased payor, enter a "Y" in the DELAY CLOSING/ASSETS (Y,N) field on the LOCATE screen. This entry prevents ICAR from automatically closing the case with "DECDA" or you from closing the case using "DECD." ICAR issues a narrative (CLOSE24) documenting the reason the case should not close and a calendar flag (CLOSE7) dated six months in the future.

You can make an entry in the DELAY CLOSING/ASSETS (Y,N) field any time between initial notification of death and actual case closure.

After you complete any enforcement actions or verify there are no more assets to pursue, enter an "N" over the "Y" in the DELAY CLOSING/ASSETS (Y,N) field to allow you or ICAR to close the case.

If you enter a closure code on the CASE screen and a "Y" displays in the DELAY CLOSING/ASSETS (Y,N) field, ICAR displays the following online message: "CHANGE Y IN DELAY CLOSING ASSETS ON LOCATE SCREEN TO N." Determine if there are any assets to be pursued. If not, enter an "N" over the "Y" in the DELAY CLOSING/ASSETS (Y,N) field.

See <u>DECD</u>: Payor or Alleged Father <u>Deceased</u> and <u>DECDA</u>: Payor or Alleged <u>Father Deceased</u>.

Stopping the Closure Process Using the TERM NOTICE SENT Field

You can stop the closure process at any time during the 60 days after the Unit sent form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*, or form 470/0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support*, to the recipient of services. To stop the closure process, enter 00/00/00 *or* delete the date from the TERM NOTICE SENT field on the CASE screen.

ICAR issues a narrative (CLOSE32) documenting the closure process is not being implemented. Complete the narrative with the reason you are stopping the closure process. ICAR deletes the entry in the REASON field on the CASE screen.

Preventing Automated Closure Using the CLOSE (N) Field

ICAR can close cases using one of the automated closure codes: AGEL, DECDA, LOCA1, NSOR, or NSOR1.

To prevent ICAR from closing a case using one of these codes, enter an "N" in the CLOSE (N) field on the CASE screen. When you place an "N" in the CLOSE (N) field, a calendar flag (CLOSE26), issues 120 days later to remind you to remove the "N" if your review of the case shows it should no longer be bypassed for case closure. The automated closure programs bypass processing the case for closure until you remove the "N." You can still close the case using one of the manual closure codes.

Case-Specific Circumstances That Affect Case Closure

Certain cases require special consideration during case closure, including:

- Cases with open interstate screens or involving multiple jurisdictions.
- ◆ Cases referred from the clerk of court (Iowa Court Information System ICIS).

ICAR may prevent other cases from closing because of certain case conditions.

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Conditions That Block Case Closure

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ICAR does not automatically close a case or allow you to close a case if the case meets any of the following conditions:

- ◆ The case has a <u>pending refund</u>. Review the Process Refunds (VRREFUND) screen to see if the case has a pending refund.
- ◆ The case has a <u>pending special abstract</u>. Review the Special Abstracts (VRSPECAB) screen to see if the case has a pending special abstract.
- ◆ The case has money that still needs to be distributed. Review the Case Payment History (PAYHIST) screen to see if the case has undistributed money in the HOLD AMOUNT column. If the money is due to a deceased person's estate, see <u>Distributing Money to an Estate</u>. Refer to 11-T, <u>Distribution</u>, for more information.
- ◆ The case has a <u>rejected payment</u> (money cannot apply to an account type). Review the PAYHIST screen to see if the case has a rejected payment.
- ◆ The case has <u>open establishment or enforcement processes</u>. Review the CASESTAT screen to see if the case has an open establishment or enforcement process. See <u>Identifying Cases With Open Processes</u>.

If ICAR displays a valid entry in the ESTABLISHMENT OF ENFORCEMENT columns on the CASESTAT screen, the case has an open process. ICAR does not stop the **automated** closure process because of entries in the following fields:

- ADPAT (ICAR checks the ADPAT screen instead.)
- PATEST (ICAR checks the PATEST screen instead.)
- INCOME WITHHOLDING
- CREDIT AGENCY REF
- ◆ The case has an <u>active paternity establishment</u> process. For automated case closure, ICAR does not use the CASESTAT screen to determine if the case has an active paternity establishment process. Instead, ICAR checks the PATEST screen.

Review the GENERATE PETITION (Y/N/R) field on the PATEST screen. If this field contains an entry, review the DATE COMPLETED field on the Paternity Establishment 2 (PATEST2) screen. If the GENERATE PETITION (Y/N/R) field is blank or the DATE COMPLETED field is blank, the case has an active PATEST screen.

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Conditions That Block Case Closure

◆ The case has a <u>pending administrative paternity action</u>. For automated case closure, ICAR does not use the CASESTAT screen to determine if the case has a pending administrative paternity action. Instead, ICAR checks the ADPAT screen.

Review the GENERATE NOTICES (Y/R) field on the ADPAT screen. If this field contains an entry, review the ACTION DISMISSED/PROCESS ENDED field on the Administrative Paternity 2 (ADPAT2) screen. If the GENERATE NOTICES (Y/R) field is blank or the ACTION DISMISSED/PROCESS ENDED field is blank, the case has an active ADPAT screen.

- ♦ The case is <u>already closed</u>.
- ♦ The case is in <u>error status</u> because the case cannot run through the subsystem. Review the CHILD screens to see if the case is in error status. The case is in error status if ICAR displays an "E" in the CORRECTION FLAG field on the CHILD screen.
- ◆ The case has a <u>termination reason</u> in the REASON field on the CASE screen.
- ♦ The case has a "Y" in the <u>DELAY CLOSING/ASSETS (Y,N)</u> field on the LOCATE screen.

If the CLOSE (N) field on a CASE screen contains an "N," ICAR does not automatically close the case. However, you can close a case even if the CLOSE (N) field contains an "N."

See Stopping or Preventing Case Closure.

ICIS Cases

Federal law requires that states have one payment processing center to process all payments from income withholding orders. These payment processing centers are called state disbursement units (SDUs). Iowa's SDU is the Collection Services Center (CSC). CSC processes income withholding payments received for both IV-D and non-IV-D cases.

The Iowa Court Information System (ICIS) governs non-IV-D cases. In order for CSC to process ICIS case payments, a case must be established on ICAR. The Unit refers to these non-IV-D cases on ICAR as ICIS cases. Since these are not IV-D cases, the normal closure code regulations do not apply to these cases. However, SDU regulations do apply, and ICAR and CSC have processes in place to handle these cases.

ICAR closes ICIS cases in one of three situations:

- ICIS informs the Unit the case is paid in full;
- ◆ The NSOR program determines the case should close; or
- ♦ A CSC worker manually closes the case using the "EROR" closure code.

Notice of Full Satisfaction Through ICIS

When ICIS records a judgment paid in full, ICAR receives a special code that evening. This code indicates there is no longer a support balance due, and the obligation has ended. When ICAR receives this code, ICAR closes the corresponding ICIS case with the "EROR" closure code. ICAR does not send form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*.

If ICAR has no record of receiving payments on the case, ICAR immediately changes the STATUS field on the CASE screen to delete ("D") status for deletion.

NSOR Program

The NSOR program runs monthly to determine what cases meet the criteria to close. The NSOR program closes ICIS cases if the case open date is more than six months in the past and there have been no payments in the last six months. ICAR does the following:

- ♦ Checks the CASE OPEN DATE on the CASE screen.
 - If the opening date is less than six months old, ICAR does not close the case.
 - If the opening date is more than six months old, ICAR checks the most recent payment date.
- Checks the most recent payment date.
 - If the payment date is less than six months old, ICAR does not close the case.
 - If the payment date is more than six months old, ICAR enters "NSOR" in the REASON field on the CASE screen and the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field.

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Worker-Entered Closure on ICIS Cases

CSC workers can manually close ICIS cases using the "EROR" closure code in the REASON field.

- ◆ If the case never received a payment, ICAR enters "D" in the STATUS (A/I/C/D/H) field and the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field on the CASE screen.
- ◆ If the case has ever received a payment, ICAR enters "C" in the STATUS (A/I/C/D/H) field and the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field on the CASE screen.

Closing Cases Involving Multiple States

Other states may be involved in an Iowa case because of an interstate referral (incoming or outgoing) or because another jurisdiction enforces the same order as Iowa.

If Iowa is the responding state in an interstate referral process, Iowa may close the case because:

- The initiating state asked Iowa to close the interstate case; or
- ◆ The initiating state did not provide the information or materials needed for lowa to take the next essential step in providing services.

In addition, Iowa may close a case if another jurisdiction is enforcing the entire obligation and the case has no arrears owed to Iowa, regardless of whether the case has an interstate referral.

Refer to the interstate process for more information about interstate cases.

<u>Initiating State Will Not Provide Necessary Information or Materials</u>

When the initiating state does not provide the information or materials needed for Iowa to take the next essential step in providing services, close the case using the "COOP3" closure code. See COOP3: Initiating Jurisdiction Won't Provide Necessary Information.

Case-Specific Circumstances That Affect Case Closure

Closing Cases Involving Multiple States

Initiating Jurisdiction Requests Closure

If an initiating jurisdiction requests case closure and provides a reason that matches a valid closure code, close the case under the matching closure code. See ICAR-Initiated Closure and Worker-Initiated Closure.

If the initiating jurisdiction does not provide a closure reason or provides a reason that does not fit any closure code, close the case using the "REQU" closure code.

- 1. Missouri refers a case for paternity establishment. You open a case and begin paternity establishment procedures. The payee has not received public assistance in the state of Iowa. Later, Missouri requests Iowa close its case because legal proceedings for adoption are pending. Close the case using the "NCIN" closure code.
- 2. Wisconsin refers a case for enforcement of arrears. You open the case and begin enforcement. The payee has not received public assistance in the state of Iowa. Six months later, Wisconsin requests that Iowa close its case but does not say why it is requesting closure. Close the case using the "REQU" closure code.

Payee and Payor Both Live out of Iowa

Do not close a case simply because the payee and payor both move out of state. However, you may be able to close the case if you discover another jurisdiction is enforcing the entire obligation. See <u>Another Jurisdiction is Enforcing the Same Order</u>.

The payee lives in Iowa and applies for IV-D services and you create an NPA case on ICAR. The payor lives in Missouri. You refer the case to Missouri for establishment and enforcement. Later, the payee moves to Nebraska.

Do not close this case simply because the payee moved. Residency is not a requirement to receive IV-D services. Continue with your interstate referral to Missouri requesting establishment and enforcement services.

Later, the payee applies for services in Nebraska and asks Iowa to close its case. There are no arrears owed to the state of Iowa. Close the case using the "REQU" closure code.

Another Jurisdiction is Enforcing the Same Order

If you discover both Iowa and another state are enforcing the same order, take steps to determine which jurisdiction needs to continue enforcement. If Iowa does not need to continue enforcement, you may be able to close the case using the "REQU" closure code. IMPORTANT: Do not close the case using the REQU closure code if there is a balance owed to Iowa.

REMEMBER: Do not suspend the order for the dates FIP was expended in Iowa, or close the case if any arrears are owed to Iowa. Work with the other jurisdiction to ensure that Iowa's balance is collected.

When you discover Iowa and another jurisdiction are enforcing the same order and there is not a balance owed to Iowa, do the following:

- Verify that both Iowa and another jurisdiction are enforcing the same order.
- Verify that the other jurisdiction is enforcing the entire obligation set in the order, and narrate your findings in detail. Keep any printed documentation in the imaged case file.
- Advise the jurisdiction now enforcing the order what we have collected on the order to date (send a certified payment record). Let the other jurisdiction know Iowa will close its case. Narrate these actions in detail.
- ◆ If Iowa has an IWO with the payor's employer, notify the employer that the other jurisdiction's IWO supersedes Iowa's IWO. Follow the normal procedures to terminate the IWO. See 11-F, <u>Income Withholding</u>.
- ◆ Enter the closure code "REQU" and let the case run through the closure programs. If there is no balance owed to Iowa, ICAR will convert the balance to a 17 account type and will change the worker ID to a CSC worker ID. ICAR will not automatically convert RE balances assigned to the 14 or 15 account types. Follow normal procedures to manually assign those RE balances to a 17 account type.

NOTE: If there is a balance owed to Iowa, suspend all of the obligation months where FIP was not expended and enforce the state balance through normal procedures until the balance owed to Iowa has been paid in full. Do not suspend the obligation if there is no balance owed to Iowa.

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When closing an interstate case, ICAR sends a status letter or a CSENet transmittal to the other jurisdiction instead of sending form 470-0201, *Notice of Termination of Child Support Services*. This meets the federal and state requirements for notification of case closure. See 9-J, *Child Support Enforcement Network – CSENET*.

NOTE: When Iowa is the responding state and closes a case for any valid closure reason, Iowa's case closure does not affect the status of the case in the initiating state.

1. A payee receives Medicaid in Texas. Texas establishes an order. The payee moves to Iowa and receives FIP. Texas refers its arrears to Iowa for collection. You set up a new case and begin enforcing the Texas order for current support and arrears. The payor has been paying current support and there are no arrears due to the state of Iowa.

The payee then moves to Nebraska and begins receiving Medicaid there. Nebraska begins enforcing the Texas order for current support and arrears due Texas. You contact Nebraska and verify that Nebraska is enforcing the entire obligation.

Since there are no arrears due to the state of Iowa, close the case using the "REQU" closure code and narrate your actions in detail. Once the case runs through the closure program, ICAR will convert the balance to a 17 account type and will change the worker ID to a CSC worker ID. The case will remain open as a non-IV-D case to process any payments that we may receive.

2. A payee receives Medicaid in Texas. Texas establishes an order. The payee moves to Iowa and receives FIP. Texas refers its arrears to Iowa for collection. You set up a new case and begin enforcing the Texas order for current support and arrears. The payor does not pay all of the current support due, and arrears are now due to Iowa as well.

The payee then moves to Nebraska and begins receiving Medicaid there. Nebraska begins enforcing Texas' order for current support and arrears owed to Texas. You contact Nebraska and verify that Nebraska is enforcing the entire obligation. However, arrears are owed to Iowa.

You cannot close the case using the "REQU" closure code if any arrears are owed to Iowa. See the interstate process for more information about referring cases for enforcement of arrears due to Iowa.

History Overview

Legal reference: 45 CFR 303.11(e)

Federal regulations require the Unit to retain all case information for a minimum of three years after closure. The Unit keeps cases in closed ("C") status on ICAR for two years. A series of history programs moves each case to the archived case history file.

Case information for all archived cases always remains in the archived case history file. This information is stored in a report that is available to workers upon request. You may retrieve this information by requesting report S479H012-A, *Archived Case Report*, on the CASEHIST screen.

The history programs delete cases in delete ("D") status from ICAR. The history programs do not move cases in "D" status to the archived case history file. At the end of each month, the history programs completely purge "D" status cases from ICAR. You cannot retrieve information on deleted cases.

ICAR places cases in "D" status when a worker corrects an Automated Benefit Calculation (ABC) system link and the ICAR case is no longer needed. This process works as follows:

- When a payee receives FIP or Medicaid, the IM worker links the case on ABC to a case on ICAR. The IM worker creates a link between the ABC case and a matching active ICAR case if possible.
 - If ICAR does not have an active matching case, the IM worker creates a skeleton case on ICAR and links the ABC case to the ICAR skeleton case. When the IM worker creates the skeleton case, ICAR displays an "H" in the STATUS field on the CASE screen to indicate the case is in hold status.
- ♦ If the Unit or the IM worker removes the link between the "H" status ICAR case and the ABC case, the case remains on ICAR in "H" status with no usable information for 30 days. After 30 days, ICAR changes the case from "H" status to "D" status.

NOTE: Links between the Family and Children Services (FACS) system and foster care cases on ICAR work the same way. Each time the history programs run, these cases in "D" status are completely deleted from ICAR.

Archived Case History File

The archived case history file is a collection of cases and case information archived by the history programs. You may view certain data stored in the archived case history file from ICAR. Two screens associated with this limited view are:

- ◆ The History Name Search (HISTSRCH) screen. Use this screen to search for case participants on archived cases.
- ♦ The Case History Information (CASEHIST) screen. Use this screen to:
 - View a limited amount of core information about the case.
 - Request a certified payment record, either with or without fund sources.
 - Request an electronic copy of the report S479H012-A, *Archived Case Report*, containing a comprehensive collection of case information.

The history programs move a case to the archived case history file if it meets the following criteria:

- ♦ The case has been in closed ("C") status for two or more years as indicated by:
 - A "C" in the STATUS field on the CASE screen, and
 - A date two or more years older than the current date in the CASE CLOSED DATE field on the CASE screen.
- ♦ There is no location on any debtors that have outstanding tracking fees and costs (TFC) or the debtor with outstanding tracking fees and costs has been deceased for more than one year.
- For debtors that have been located, the only outstanding debt is one or more of the following: CRF, CRD, NPA, or TIF.
- ◆ If the case has a remaining 11 account balance on the BALANCE screen, the payee must have a state identification number. ICAR displays the payee's state ID in the STATE ID field on the PAYEE screen.
- ♦ If the child has not emancipated, there is and never was an amount assigned to any account type except 10, 13, or 16 unless the closure code is DECD, DECDA, or DISA.

Once a case meets all of these criteria, ICAR moves the case and all required data to the archived case history file.

As of March 24, 2012, ICAR saves 11 account coupon and receipt amount totals when a case moves to history if there is at least one other case associated with the same payee state identification number still on ICAR. While the case moves to history, those totals are saved to the payee's UPPA FIP MONTHLY DETAIL screen for continued use in the UPPA calculations. To ensure the correct amounts are saved to the UPPA FIP MONTHLY DETAIL screen, cases must be reviewed before they move to history.

This procedure does not apply to cases that moved to history before March 24, 2012. Before that date, no UPPA related records were saved to ICAR when a case moved to the archived case history file.

The *UPPA History Report*, generated monthly, identifies which cases must be reviewed. Cases on the report:

- Meet all of the history case selection criteria;
- Have been closed for 18 months and will move to history in 6 months;
- Have a payee state identification number;
- ♦ Have a valid CS, MS, or RE obligation;
- ♦ Have at least one unverified CASSIGN;
- Share the same payee state ID with at least one other case still on ICAR.

If a case is identified on the report:

- Review, update, and verify CASSIGNs for all children on the case.
- Verify that the UPPA FIP MONTHLY DETAIL screen correctly displays all payments and credits in account type 11 for this case.
- If changes are made and the case runs through the distribution subsystem, verify that the subsystem completed with no errors.

NOTE: When you make an inquiry for a case on the CASE screen and the case is in the archived case history file, ICAR displays the following online message: "CASE IN HISTORY. CHECK CASEHIST SCREEN."

You can view only a limited amount of the archived case history file data for a case from the CASEHIST screen. You may view all of the archived case history file data on a case on report S479H012-A, *Archived Case Report*. See <u>Case History Information Screen (CASEHIST)</u> for information on requesting this report for a case. See 9-I Appendix for direction on reading the *Archived Case Report*.

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<u>Case History Name Search Screen (HISTSRCH)</u>

The Case History Name Search (HISTSRCH) screen is similar to the ICAR Name Search (NAMESRCH) screen. However, you can use the HISTSRCH screen only to search for cases archived in the archived case history file and the NAMESRCH screen to search for cases still on ICAR.

NOTE: When you search for a case participant on the NAMESRCH screen and the case participant is not on ICAR, ICAR displays the following online message to remind you to check HISTSRCH, "PERSON NOT FOUND IN ICAR. PRESS F6 TO CHECK HISTSRCH." HISTSRCH has a similar F6 function (described later in this section).

To access the HISTSRCH screen, enter "HISTSRCH" from the NEXT SCREEN field from any screen.

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D479HH01 IOWA COLLECTION AND REPORTING SYSTEM
                                                  DATE:
                    CASE HISTORY NAME SEARCH
                                                  TIME:
SSN....:
NAME (LFMS).:
SOUNDS LIKE.:
CASE NUMBER.:
STATE ID...:
CASE ROLE...
                            SOC-SEC PERSON CASE RES CASE CASE
SEL
      NAME
                            NUMBER ID NBR NUMBER CO ROLE WRKR
ENTER=SELECT F5=INQUIRY F6=NAMESRCH F7=PAGE BACK F8=PAGE FORWARD
CLEAR=EXIT
NEXT SCREEN: NOTES:
PLEASE ENTER A KEY FIELD AND PRESS F5
```

Case History Name Search Screen (HISTSRCH)

Fields, descriptions, and values on the HISTSRCH screen are:

- **ssn**: Enter the individual's social security number to search for a matching case participant on an archived case.
- ♦ NAME (LFMS): This field contains four subfields arranged side by side to the right of the field's label. This field allows you to search for case participants using a case participant's name. When using this search option:
 - You must enter the last name of the case participant in the first subfield, up to 16 characters.
 - You may enter the first name of the case participant in the second subfield, up to 15 characters.
 - You may enter the middle name of the case participant in the third subfield, up to 15 characters.
 - You may enter the suffix of the case participant in the fourth subfield, up to three characters.
- **SOUNDS LIKE**: This field contains four subfields arranged side by side to the right of the field's label. When using this search option:
 - You must enter the suspected or phonetic spelling for the last name of the case participant in the first subfield, up to 16 characters.
 - You may enter the suspected or phonetic spelling for the first name of the case participant in the second subfield, up to 15 characters.
 - You may enter the suspected or phonetic spelling for the middle name of the case participant in the third subfield, up to 15 characters.
 - You may enter the suspected suffix for the case participant in the fourth subfield, up to three characters.
- ◆ CASE NUMBER: Enter a case number and press the F5 key to search for a specific case in the archived case history file.
- STATE ID: Enter the participant's state ID or Client Index Number (CIN).

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- ♦ CASE ROLE: Use this field to narrow down a search for an archived case participant by specifying the role of the case participant, up to five characters. When using this option, you must enter one of the following codes:
 - "PAYEE" to narrow the search to payees.
 - "PAYOR" to narrow the search to payors.
 - "CHILD" to narrow the search to children.
 - "ALEGD" to narrow the search to alleged fathers.
- **SEL**: Use this field to select one result from the list of results found by ICAR. To select a line of data:
 - Tab to the name you want to select and enter an "S" in the column next to the line of desired data.
 - Press the ENTER key.

After you press the ENTER key, ICAR displays the CASEHIST screen associated with the person and case role selected from the list of results.

- NAME: ICAR displays the name of each case participant that matches the search criteria you entered.
- **SOC-SEC NUMBER**: ICAR displays the social security number associated with each case participant that matches the search criteria you entered.
- PERSON ID NBR: ICAR displays the ICAR-assigned person identification number associated with each case participant that matches the search criteria you entered.
- ♦ **CASE NUMBER**: ICAR displays the case number associated with each case participant that matches the search criteria you entered.
- **RES CO**: ICAR displays the county code of the county in which the payee lives.
- **CASE ROLE**: ICAR displays the role of each case participant that matches the search criteria you entered.
- CASE WRKR: ICAR displays the worker ID of the caseworker to whom each case was assigned before being archived to the archive case history file.

Using the HISTSRCH Screen

As with the NAMESRCH screen, the HISTSRCH screen has a variety of ways to search for a case participant. The following list covers the varied combinations you can use to search for a case participant.

- ♦ Using the SSN field: Enter the social security number for the participant and press the F5 key.
- ♦ Using the NAME (LFMS) field:
 - Enter the last name of the participant in the respective subfields of the NAME (LFMS) field and press the F5 key.
 - Enter the last and first name in the respective subfields of the NAME (LFMS) field and press the F5 key.
 - Enter the last, first, and middle name in the respective subfields of the NAME (LFMS) field and press the F5 key.
 - Enter the last and middle name in the respective subfields of the NAME (LFMS) field and press the F5 key.
- ♦ Using the SOUNDS LIKE field:
 - Enter the suspected or phonetic spelling for the last name of the case participant in the respective SOUNDS LIKE subfield and press the F5 key.
 - Enter the suspected or phonetic spelling for the last and first names of the case participant in the respective SOUNDS LIKE subfields and press the F5 key.
 - Enter the suspected or phonetic spelling for the last, first, and middle names of the case participant in the respective SOUNDS LIKE subfields and press the F5 key.
 - Enter the suspected or phonetic spelling for the last and middle names of the case participant in the respective subfields of the NAME (LFMS) field and press the F5 key.
- ♦ Using the CASE NUMBER field: Enter the case number in this field and press the F5 key.

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- ◆ Using the STATE ID field: Enter the participant's state ID or Client Index Number (CIN) and press the F5 key.
- Using the CASE ROLE field: Enter the case role (PAYEE, PAYOR, CHILD, ALEGD) in the CASE ROLE field and press the F5 key to enhance your name or SSN search.

NOTE: You may use the CASE ROLE field in conjunction with the NAME (LFMS), SOUNDS LIKE, or SSN fields. You cannot search for a case participant by using only the case role.

After using one of these methods of searching for a case participant, you can do one of the following:

- Select a record to view the CASEHIST screen for that case. To do so:
 - Press the F8 and F7 keys to scroll back and forth between multiple pages of results to find the person you need to select.
 - Tab to the SEL field next to the name you wish to view and enter an "S" in the field.
 - Press the ENTER key. ICAR takes you to the CASEHIST screen for that participant's case.
- ◆ Repeat your search on the NAMESRCH screen using the F6 key. When you complete a search on HISTSRCH and press F6, ICAR does the following:
 - Copies the search criteria you entered in NAME (LFMS), SOUNDS LIKE, SSN, CASE, and ROLE fields.
 - Displays the NAMESRCH screen.
 - Enters the search criteria from HISTSRCH into the applicable fields on NAMESRCH.
 - Press F5 to use the search criteria to search cases on ICAR.

NOTE: The NAMESRCH screen has a similar F6 function to bring you to the HISTSRCH screen. When you press F6 on the NAMESRCH screen, ICAR copies the search criteria from the NAMESRCH screen to the HISTSRCH screen and uses the search criteria to search cases in history. You do not need to press F5 to complete the search.

<u>Case History Information Screen (CASEHIST)</u>

On the CASEHIST screen, ICAR displays the most basic data stored in the archived case history file. In addition, you may request a printed case report from the CASEHIST screen. This printed report contains a more comprehensive overview of the case. See <u>9-1 Appendix</u> for information about this report.

To access the CASEHIST screen, select a record from the HISTSRCH screen or enter "CASEHIST" in the NEXT SCREEN field on any screen in ICAR.

```
D479HH02
           IOWA COLLECTION AND REPORTING SYSTEM
                                                   DATE:
                 CASE HISTORY INFORMATION
                                                   TIME:
CASE NUMBER....:
                                    CASE WORKER ID....:
                                                    STATE ACCT
                     BIRTHDATE SOC.SEC NBR ID
ROLE
             NAME
                                                            TYPE
CASE OPEN DATE...:
                               C.O. COUNTY FIPS...:
CASE CLOSED DATE..:
                               COURT ORDER #....:
REDIRECTION FLAG..:
                               REQUEST REPORT....:
                               NEW CASE NBR....:
REASON CODE....:
                                NEW CASE WRKR ID....:
F2=ADD CASE, F3=MOD/REQ RPT, F5=INQ, F7=PG BWD, F8=PG FWD, CLEAR=EXIT
                    NOTES:
NEXT SCREEN:
PLEASE ENTER CASE NUMBER
```

Fields, descriptions, and values on the CASEHIST screen are:

- ♦ **CASE NUMBER**: Enter the case number, up to seven characters, and press the F5 key. ICAR displays the case record.
- ♦ CASE WORKER ID: ICAR displays the ID number for the last worker assigned to the case.
- **ROLE**: ICAR displays the role for each participant on the case.

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- NAME: ICAR displays the name of each participant on the case.
- BIRTHDATE: ICAR displays the date of birth of each participant on the case.
- **SOC. SEC NBR**: ICAR displays the SSN of each participant on the case.
- STATE ID: ICAR displays the state ID of each participant on the case.
- ◆ ACCT TYPE: ICAR displays the account type associated with each case participant on the case.
- ◆ CASE OPEN DATE: ICAR displays the case open date.
- ♦ **c.o. county FIPS**: ICAR displays the county Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) code for the court order listed on the case.
- ◆ CASE CLOSED DATE: ICAR displays the case closed date.
- ◆ **COURT ORDER** #: ICAR displays the court order number listed on the original case.
- **REDIRECTION FLAG**: ICAR displays one of two entries in this field:
 - Y: ICAR redirected the case to the clerk of court.
 - N: ICAR did not redirect the case to the clerk of court.
- ◆ REQUEST REPORT: ICAR allows one of three entries:
 - Y: Enter a "Y" in this field and press the F3 key twice to request an electronic copy of report S479H012-A, *Archived Case Report*. ICAR creates the report and makes it available in your office's EGreenbar folder the next day. ICAR automatically logs the report on the Protected Federal Tax Info Summary Screen (FTISUM) screen.
 - P: Enter a "P" in this field and press the F3 key twice to request a certified payment record with the fund source, also known as a PAYREC. Use code "P" when you release the payment record to the authorized parties. ICAR prints the record at night to the local office that requested the report. If the payment record contains federal tax information (FTI), ICAR automatically logs this payment record on the FTISUM screen.
 - I: Enter an "I" in this field and press the F3 key twice to request a certified payment record without the fund source and batch information, also known as a VPAYREC. Use code "I" when you release the payment record to other authorized parties. ICAR prints the report at night to the local office that requested the report.

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- **REASON CODE**: ICAR displays the case closure reason code in this field.
- **NEW CASE NBR**: ICAR displays the case number of the rebuilt case.
- ♦ NEW CASE WRKR ID: Enter a valid four character worker ID and press F2 twice to add a new case to ICAR. The worker ID entered displays in the ICAR CASE WRKR ID field on the CASE screen.

Viewing an Archived Case

To view the core data on the CASEHIST screen:

- Enter the case number in the CASE NUMBER field on the CASEHIST screen.
- ♦ Press the F5 key.

Requesting a Report

To request report S479H012-A, *Archived Case Report*, from the CASEHIST screen:

- ♦ Enter a "Y" in the REQUEST REPORT field on the CASEHIST screen.
- ♦ Press the F3 key twice to update the screen.

ICAR places the electronic copy of the report in your office's EGreenbar folder the next day. The report will be available for 14 days. The report file name will be formatted as follows: W479H012 CASEHIST RPT < CASE NUMBER > < DATE REPORT REQUESTED > .

ICAR automatically displays "CASEHIST" in the DOCUMENT field and "GRNBR" in the CURRENT DOC LOC field on the FTISUM screen when it logs the report. Remember to update the FTISUM screen entry whenever the report is moved to a different location or manually destroyed.

You can upload the electronic *Archived Case History Report* directly to the imaged case file using the imaging uploading procedures. These reports should be indexed in the imaged case file as follows:

- ◆ DOC TYPE NAME = Archived Case History Report
- ◆ TRAN TYPE = PERMDOCS

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Requesting a Payment Record

State and federal regulations prohibit the Unit from disclosing certain payment fund sources to parties other than the payor or payee. ICAR displays a fund source code next to all payments made on a case to indicate the source of the payment.

You have two options for generating a payment record from the CASEHIST screen:

- Print a complete payment record, also known as PAYREC. A complete payment record contains all payment information for a case, including the fund source code for each payment. Distribute this payment record only to the payee and payor. Do not distribute this version of the payment record to any other parties.
- ◆ Print an incomplete payment record, also known as VPAYREC. An incomplete payment record contains all payment information for a case but does not include the fund source code for each payment. You may distribute this payment record to the payor, payee, or other authorized recipients. Authorized recipients include:
 - The payor, payee, or caretaker
 - An attorney for the payor, payee or caretaker
 - Another state or Tribal IV-D agency
 - An approved foreign child support agency with a valid reciprocal agreement or a Hague Convention Country
 - A U.S. attorney, DIA administrative law judge (ALJ), district court judge or other valid legal authority
 - A party with a valid release of information (ROI) from a case party

To request a payment record from the CASEHIST screen:

- ♦ Enter a "P" (PAYREC) or an "I" (VPAYREC) in the REQUEST REPORT field on the CASEHIST screen.
- Press the F3 key twice to update the screen.

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ICAR prints this report at night to the local office that requested the report.

If ICAR prints a PAYREC containing federal tax information, ICAR automatically records the report on the FTISUM screen. In this situation, containing federal tax information would mean that the PAYREC contains at least one payment with a fund source of Federal Tax Refund Offset (FED) or Other State Federal Tax (OFT). For each PAYREC recorded on the FTISUM screen, "HPAYREC" (payment record generated from the CASEHIST screen) displays in the DOCUMENT field and the requesting worker's ICAR worker ID initially displays in the CURRENT DOC LOC field. Update the FTISUM screen each time the location of the PAYREC changes or if the report is destroyed.

Rebuilding a Case

You may find it necessary to rebuild an archived case. You may rebuild a case from the CASEHIST screen. The resulting "rebuilt" case possesses only a minimal amount of the original case's information.

NOTE: If a past 11 account balance is being added, you **must** rebuild a case from the CASEHIST screen. Do **not** create a brand new case in this situation.

To rebuild a case from the CASEHIST screen, do the following:

- Enter the case number in the CASE NUMBER field on the CASEHIST screen.
- ♦ Press the F5 key.
- ♦ When ICAR displays the case you wish to rebuild, enter a valid four character worker ID in the NEW CASE WRKR ID field and press the F2 key.
- ♦ Press the F2 key a second time to confirm your action.

Remember the following when you rebuild a case:

- ◆ ICAR assigns the case a new case number and displays this number in the NEW CASE NUMBER field on the CASEHIST screen. ICAR issues narrative (CLOSE109) on the new case to document that the case was rebuilt from an archived case. The narrative lists the corresponding archived case number.
- ◆ Your new case has the information that ICAR displays on the CASEHIST screen. It does not include all of the archived information.

- ♦ ICAR displays the worker ID entered in the NEW CASE WRKR ID field on the CASEHIST screen in the ICAR CASE WRKR ID field on the CASE screen.
- ◆ You must request report S479H012-A, *Archived Case Report*, and upload it to the imaged case file. You need the report so that you can begin to add the necessary information to the newly created ICAR case.
- Notify Central Office of rebuilt cases if two criteria are met:
 - There is at least one other case on ICAR with the same payee state ID.
 - A past due 11 account balance is added to the rebuilt case.

In these situations, send an email to CSRU Policy – Dist Team. Include the original case number, the new case number, and the total amount added as a past 11 account balance. A distribution team member will review the information and update the payee's UPPA FIP MONTHLY DETAIL screen so past 11 account balance information isn't incorrectly duplicated in a UPPA calculation.

◆ The archived case always remains in the archived case history file, even after you rebuild the case. You can always retrieve information from the old case (including narratives, payment history, payment records, obligation data, etc.) by requesting a report S479H012-A, Archived Case Report, from the old case's CASEHIST screen. (See Requesting a Report.)

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Process: CASE Number: 64

Text: Payee referred to IM for good cause. CSRU to cease all action pending determination

by IM. Reason for good cause: <worker entered variable>.

Screen: Field: Entry: CASE STATUS (A/I/C/D/H)
REASON 1

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PAYEE GOOD CAUSE: R

Process: **CLOSE** Number: 1

Text: No curr oblig and bal pd in full or ICIS case no pmts recd for 6 mos.

Field: Screen: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE NSOR – system entered None REASON None

when notice is sent

Flag:

Status:

None

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H):

Process: CLOSE Number: 2

Text: Case closed.

Screen: Flag: Field: Entry: Status: CASE CURRENT ACCT TYPE 17 2 None

WORKER ID not AFC, PLD, or AAF

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): C

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **3**

Text: Case closed. Child no longer in foster care.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE 17 2 None CURRENT ACCT TYPE

> WORKER ID AFC, AAF, Or PLD

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H):

Process: CLOSE Number: 4

Text: Case closed. Initiating/responding state contacted.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE 14, 15, or 19 21 CURRENT ACCT TYPE 2

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H):

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: **5**

Text: Case closed. No response or further information received since notice of termination

was sent.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE CURRENT ACCT TYPE 11, 12, or 18 2 None

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STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): C

Process: CLOSE Number: 6

Text: Notice of termination sent to obligee. Obligor incarcerated.

No assets or income available. Documentation: _____

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE REASON PRSN None None

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): A

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **7**

Text: Notice of termination sent to obligee. Obligor institutionalized in a psychiatric facility.

No assets or income available. Documentation: _____

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE REASON INST None None

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): A

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **8**

Text: Notice of termination sent to obligee. Obligor has a medically verified total and

permanent disability with no evidence of support potential. Documentation: ___

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE REASON DISA None None

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): A

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **9** ICAR no longer issues this narrative

Text: Case placed in 'I' status. Reciprocity initiated.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE REASON ICITZ 4 None

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H):

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: 10 Text: Notice of termination sent to obligee. Obligor is in a foreign country, has no reachable income or assets and there is no reciprocity agreement. Documentation: _ Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE CITZ None None REASON STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): Process: **CLOSE** Number: 11 Text: Notice of termination sent to obligee. Not in child's best interest to establish paternity because adoption is pending or rape or incest was involved. Documentation: Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE REASON: NCIN None None STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): Process: **CLOSE** Number: 12 Text: Notice of termination sent to obligee. Putative father excluded by court decision or through genetic tests. No other putative father identified. Screen: Field: Flag: Entry: Status: CASE REASON EXCL None None STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): Process: **CLOSE** Number: 13 ICAR no longer issues this narrative Text: Case closed based on IV-A/IV-E 'Good Cause'. Screen: Flag: Field: Entry: Status: CASE REASON GOOD 2 None 12 (only after being CURRENT ACCT TYPE 11) Process: **CLOSE** Number: 14 Text: Case closed. Obligee requested termination. No support arrearages assigned to the state. Information concerning request: _ Screen: Field: Flag: Status: Entry: CASE REASON REQU None Process: **CLOSE** Number: 15 Text: Obligee deceased. Case closed based on caretaker request. No support arrearages assigned to the state. Documentation: ___ Screen: Flag: Field: Entry: Status: CASE REASON REQU1 None

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: **16**

Text: Notice of termination sent to obligee because of failure to cooperate.

Documentation, including action required of payee: _____

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE REASON COOP None None

CURRENT ACCT TYPE 12 STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): A

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **17**

Text: Notice of Termination of Child Support Services sent to obligee. Check for the

application fee returned due to insufficient funds.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE REASON COOP1 None None

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): A

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **18** ICAR no longer issues this narrative

Text: Termination notice sent to obligee address. Obligee is deceased and there has been

no response from the caretaker. Documentation: _____.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE REASON COOP2 None None

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): A

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **19**

Text: Notice of termination sent to obligee. Mail has been returned and worker has been

unable to reach the obligee by telephone. Documentation: _____

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE REASON CONT None None

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): A
CURRENT ACCT TYPE: 12

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **20** ICAR no longer issues this narrative.

Text: Case closed as location-only services were provided.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE REASON LOCS None None

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		=	ICAR no longer issues this narrative. on of death and information about assets:			
Screen:	Field:	Entry:	Flag: 6	Status: None		
Process:	CLOSE Number: 22	ICAR no longer issu	es this narrativ	e.		
Text:	is deceased. Documer	ntation of death and inform	nation about ass	sets:		
Screen:	Field:	Entry:	Flag: None	Status: None		
Process:	CLOSE Number: 23					
	otice of termination sent to nst estate, can be taken.	obligee. Obligor deceased	. No further ac	tion, including		
Screen: CASE	Field: REASON STATUS (A/I/C/D/H):	Entry: DECD A	Flag: None	Status: None		
LOCATE	DATE OF DEATH SSN	Greater than zeros Greater than zeros				
		Also no address, employer, or payme for 3 years	ents			
	CLOSE Number: 24					
Text: Ne	ew information about the de					
Screen: LOCATE	Field: DELAY CLOSING/ASSETS	Entry: Y	Flag: 7	Status: None		
Process:	CLOSE Number: 25					
Text: Ca	ase closed. Child no longer	in foster care. No support	due.			
Screen:	Field:	Entry:	Flag:	Status:		
CASE	REASON	NOFC	2	None		
	STATUS (A/I/C/D/H):	c 17				
	CURRENT ACCT TYPE WORKER ID	PLD, AFC, OF AAF				

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Number: 26 Process: **CLOSE** Text: No longer a current support order, past due amounts are under \$500, and no support collected in the past 3 years. Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE REASON NSOR1 None None STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): Process: **CLOSE** Number: 27 Text: Notice of termination sent to obligee. Paternity cannot be established because child is at least 19 years old and action to establish paternity is barred by statute of limitations. Screen: Entry: Flag: Field: Status: CASE AGEL None None REASON Α STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): Process: CLOSE Number: 28 Text: Letter sent to obligee seeking information about: ___ Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: None None None None Process: **CLOSE** Number: **29** ICAR no longer issues this narrative. Text: Case meets closure criterion: Unable to locate obligor over a 3-yr. period. Placed in inactive status for tax offset and credit reporting. Screen: Field: Flag: Entry: Status: CASE None REASON ILOCA Process: **CLOSE** Number: **30** ICAR no longer issues this narrative. Text: Dummy closure narrative. This narrative needs to issue 999 after Narrative 29 to generate Flag #10 to worker. Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: 10

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: 31

Text: Notice of termination sent to obligee. CSRU has made regular attempts to locate the

obligor over a 3-year period, but location of obligor is unknown.

Field: Screen: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE REASON LOCA None None

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H):

Process: **CLOSE** Number: 32

Text: Termination of services not implemented because: ___

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Flag: Screen: Field: Entry: Status: 00 00 0000 CASE TERM NOTICE SENT: 11 None

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **33**

Text: Case opened in error. Explanation: _____

Screen: Field: Flag: Status: Entry: CASE REASON None EROR

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **34** ICAR no longer issues this narrative.

Text: Case closed. Obligee failure to cooperate.

Field: Screen: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE COOP REASON None

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H):

Number: 35 Process: **CLOSE** ICAR no longer issues this narrative.

Text: Case closed. Application fee check returned due to insufficient funds.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE REASON COOP1 None

С STATUS (A/I/C/D/H):

Number: 36 Process: **CLOSE** ICAR no longer issues this narrative.

Text: Case closed. Obligee deceased. No response from caretaker.

Flag: Screen: Field: Entry: Status: CASE COOP2 2 None REASON

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H)

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Number: 37 Process: **CLOSE** ICAR no longer issues this narrative.

Text: Case closed. Unable to contact obligee.

Screen: Field: Flag: Status: Entry: CASE 2 None **REASON** CONT

> С STATUS (A/I/C/D/H)

Process: **CLOSE** Number: 38

Text: Notice received of _____'s death:

Screen: Field: Flag: Status: Entry: LOCATE DECEASED? None None

Process: **CLOSE** Number: 39 ICAR no longer issues this narrative.

Text: Case in error status. Correction needed for case closure.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status:

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: 40 ICAR no longer issues this narrative.

Text: Automated case closure unsuccessful. Case overpaid.

Screen: Field: Entry: Status: Flag: **BALANCE** 15 TOTAL COUPON BALANCE Less than 0.00 None

Process: **CLOSE** Number: 41 ICAR no longer issues this narrative.

Text: Case closure unsuccessful. Payments in hold.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CPADDVER Blank or N 16 **VERIFIED** None

> Also must have been payments made on case since no address.

Process: **CLOSE** Number: 42

Text: Verification received. _____ deceased as of ___/____.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: LOCATE Valid date, current or 18 None DATE OF DEATH

earlier

Process: **CLOSE** Number: 43 ICAR no longer issues this narrative.

Text: IWO account balance below \$50.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: Less than \$50.00 BALANCE None TOTAL BALANCE DUE

OBLIG Not more than 1 OBLIG END DATE

month in the future.

PAYHIST **FND SRC** MIW or IWO

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: **44** ICAR no longer issues this narrative.

Text: Notice of balance below \$50 sent to obligor.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: BALANCE TOTAL BALANCE DUE
OBLIG OBLIG END DATE None Less than \$50.00

Not more than 1 month in the future.

PAYHIST FND SRC Not miw or iwo

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **45**

Text: Case will be closed in 60 days at worker request.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status:

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **46**

Text: Notice of termination, form 470-0201, not sent to obligee. No valid address.

Screen: Field: Flag: Entry: Status: PAYEE MAILING ADDRESS LINE 1 Empty 20 None

CASE TERM NOTICE SENT Greater than zeros

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **47**

Text: Case re-opened effective ____ / ____ / ____ .

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status:

Change from c to A CASE STATUS (A/I/C/D/H) 21

> 14, 15, or 19 CURRENT ACCT TYPE

Process **CLOSE** Number: 48

Text: Case re-opened effective ____ / ____ / ____.

Change from c to A 21 Not 14, 15 or 10 Screen: Field: CASE STATUS (A/I/C/D/H)

CURRENT ACCT TYPE

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **49** ICAR no longer issues this narrative.

Text: Notice of balance below \$50, form 470-3210, not sent to obligor. No valid address.

Flag: Screen: Field: Entry: Status: BALANCE TOTAL BALANCE DUE Less than \$50.00 8 None

OBLIG END DATE OBLIG Not more than 1

month in the future.

PAYHIST FND SRC PAYOR MAILING Not MIW or IWO.

MAILING ADDR. LINE 1 PAYOR No entry.

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Number: 50 Process: **CLOSE**

Text: Letter to obligee seeking information about obligor not sent. No valid address.

Obligor: __

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: PAYEE Empty. None None MAILING ADDRESS LINE 1

Yearly letter to custodial parent if no location or employer

for NCP/AF.

Process: **CLOSE** Number: 51

Text: IV-D services no longer provided to obligee. Case remains in 'A' status for payment

processing.

Entry: Screen: Field: Flag: Status: CASE Changed to spaces 24 None REASON:

> STATUS (A/I/C/D/H) CSC WORKER ID: CURRENT ACCT TYPE 17

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **52** ICAR no longer issues this narrative.

Text: Case closed for the following reason(s):

There is no longer a current support order and arrearages are under \$500 or unenforceable under state law. Child has reached the age of majority.

Entry: Screen: Field: Flag: Status:

25 CASE REASON **NSOR**

> STATUS (A/I/C/D/H) С

> > 14, 15, or 19 CURRENT ACCT TYPE

CHILD EMANC. DATE Less than current date

Process: **CLOSE** Number: 53

Text: Case closed for the following reason(s):

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H)

There is no longer a current support order and arrearages are under \$500 or unenforceable under state law. Child has not reached the age of majority.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: None 3

CASE **REASON** NSOR С

> 14. 15 or 19 CURRENT ACCT TYPE

CHILD EMANC. DATE Greater than current

date

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: **54**

Text: Case closed because the obligor/putative father is deceased and no further action can

be taken.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status:

CASE REASON DECD OR DECDA 4

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H)

CURRENT ACCT TYPE 14, 15, or 19

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **55**

Text: Case closed because paternity cannot be established. Child is at least 18 years old and paternity action is barred by statute of limitations.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE REASON AGEL 5

CASE REASON AGEL STATUS (A/I/C/D/H) C

CURRENT ACCT TYPE 14, 15, or 19

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **56**

Text: Case closed because paternity cannot be established. A genetic test or court or administrative process has excluded putative dad as father and no other putative father can be identified.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status:

CASE REASON EXCL 14

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H) C

CURRENT ACCT TYPE 14, 15, or 19

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **57**

Text: Case closed because paternity cannot be established. It would not be in the best interests of the child to establish paternity in this case.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE REASON NCIN 15

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H) C

CURRENT ACCT TYPE 14, 15, or 19

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **58**

Text: Case closed because absent parent's location is unknown and attempts to locate parent over a three-year period have been unsuccessful.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status:

CASE REASON LOCA 6

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H) C

CURRENT ACCT TYPE 14, 15, or 19

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: 59

Text: Case closed because absent parent institutionalized in a psychiatric facility. No income or assets are available for levy or attachment.

Screen: Field: Flag: Entry: Status:

CASE INST REASON

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H)

14, 15, or 19 CURRENT ACCT TYPE

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **60** ICAR no longer issues this narrative

Text: Case closed because absent parent cannot pay support due to incarceration without

parole. No income or assets are available for levy or attachment.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status:

CASE REASON PRSN 7

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H)

CURRENT ACCT TYPE 14, 15, or 19

Process: **CLOSE** Number: 61

Text: Case closed because absent parent cannot pay support due to medically verified total or permanent disability. No income or assets are available for levy or attachment.

Flag: Screen: Field: Entry: Status:

CASE 7 REASON DISA

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H)

CURRENT ACCT TYPE 14, 15, or 19

Process: **CLOSE** Number: 62

Text: Case closed because parent lives in foreign country and reciprocity with that country cannot be established.

Screen: Flag: Field: Entry: Status:

CASE REASON CITZ

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H)

CURRENT ACCT TYPE 14, 15, or 19

Process: **CLOSE** Number: 63 ICAR no longer issues this narrative.

Text: Case closed. Requested location-only services have been provided.

Screen: Entry: Field: Flag: Status:

CASE LOCS REASON

17 CURRENT ACCT TYPE

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Status:

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: **64**

Text: Case closed because of request by custodial parent. There is no assignment to state

of medical support or accrued arrearages.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: CASE REASON REQU

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H)

CURRENT ACCT TYPE 14, 15, or 19

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **65** ICAR no longer issues this narrative

Text: Case closed because of finding of good cause based on risk of harm to the child or

caretaker relative.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE REASON GOOD 11

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H)

CURRENT ACCT TYPE 14, 15, or 19

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **66**

Text: Case closed. Unable to contact custodial parent by phone or certified letter within 60

calendar days.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE REASON CONT 12

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H)

CURRENT ACCT TYPE 14, 15, or 19

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **67**

Text: Case closed due to custodial parent's non-cooperation and actions.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status:

CASE REASON COOP 13

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H) C

CURRENT ACCT TYPE 14, 15, or 19

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **68**

Text: Cross-referenced case closed; closure code and case number: _____

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status:

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Issues when a cross- None

referenced case closes.

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **69**

Text: Notice of termination, form 470-0201, for LOCA not sent to obligee. No valid

address.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status:

No valid address for CP 20

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: **70** Text: Batch case closure prevented because __ Screen: Field: Flag: Status: Entry: CASE CLOSE (N) 26 Process: CLOSE Number: 71 Text: Allow batch case closure because ___ Field: Flag: Entry: Status: None CASE Remove N and update CLOSE (N) None Process: **CLOSE** Number: **72** ICAR no longer issues this narrative. Text: Interstate status report sent to the state of _____ Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: Any time an interstate status is generated. Number: 73 ICAR no longer issues this narrative. Process: **CLOSE** Text: Interstate status report not sent to the state of _____. Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: Process: **CLOSE** Number: **74** Text: State law prevents establishment of an order. Notice of intent to close case sent to recipient of services. Order could not be established because: ___ Screen: Field: Flag: Entry: Status: CASE REASON 31 None NSOR2 Process: **CLOSE** Number: **75** ICAR no longer issues this narrative. Text: Closure not completed under COOP3 process. Initiating state provided data through CSENet transaction since code was entered. Field: Flag: Screen: Entry: Status: INTERST2 RESPONSE RECEIVED
INTERST3 RESP RECD Date less than 180 30 days ago Date less than 180 days ago Also, any CSENet transaction in the past 180 days.

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: **76** Text: Notice of termination sent. No alleged father can be identified for this child after at least one interview with the custodial party. Case will close. Information regarding interview(s): _____ Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE REASON NOID None Process: **CLOSE** Number: **77** Text: Notice of Termination, 470-0201, not sent to obligor. No valid address. Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE Any entry requiring a **REASON** 33 None notice be sent PAYOR IS APPLICANT PAYOR MAILING ADDRESS LINE 1 None Process: **CLOSE** Number: 78 Text: System attempt to close case stopped due to open process. Worker will review open processes from CASESTAT screen and terminate processes as appropriate. Screen: Entry: Flag: Status: CASESTAT Any except INCOME Any numeric indicator 34 None WITHHOLDING OR CREDIT Process: **CLOSE** Number: **79** ICAR no longer issues this narrative. Text: Initiating state must provide information or assistance for Iowa to complete next essential step in establishment/enforcement. Initiating state has 6 months to provide required material, and has been notified through CSENet or status letter. Information or assistance required: _____ Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE COOP3 29 18 REASON STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): Process: **CLOSE** Number: **80** ICAR no longer issues this narrative. Text: No text. This narrative only exists to issue calendar flag 27 Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: 27

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: 81

Text: Notice of termination sent to recipient of services. CSRU has made regular attempts to locate the obligor/alleged father over the past year, but location of obligor/alleged father is unknown. Automated sources could not be adequately checked without an SSN.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE REASON LOCA1 None

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **82**

Text: Case meets closure criteria. Worker requested termination. Case may remain in 'A' status for payment processing. Batch program will take appropriate action.

Flag: None Screen: Field: Entry: Status: CASE REASON None

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **83**

Text: Case closed. Rec'd notice of full satisfaction of a support order from ICIS.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status:

Information from ICIS. None None

Process: **CLOSE** Number: 84

Text: Case closed. No location for alleged father / payor for 1 year.

Automated location tools not available due to lack of SSN.

Field: Screen: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE REASON LOCA1 17

STATUS (A/C/I/D/H)

Process: CLOSE Number: 85

Text: CSENet indicates <other state> closed their case <other state case number> for the

following reason: _____

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Information from 37 Status: None None None

CSENet

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **86**

Text: Batch program determined case closure not allowed. Balance due to the state,

enforcement must proceed.

Entry: Screen: Field: Flag: Status: Batch program run None None None None

weekly

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: **87** ICAR no longer issues this narrative.

Text: The FCR/SSA indicates <case party name > is deceased. This person is the <case party role > on the case. The FCR/SSA date of death is <mm/dd/yyyy>. The last city and state of residence is <city, state >. The worker will allow the FCR/SSA one month to provide any updates before considering this information verified.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: LOCATE DECEASED: Y 40 None

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **88** ICAR no longer issues this narrative.

Text: The FCR/SSA indicates <case party name> is deceased. This person is the <case party role> on the case. The FCR/SSA date of death is <mm/dd/yyyy>. The last city and state of residence is <city, state>. This person's death is considered verified. ICAR DOD and FCR/SSA DOD do not match. Worker will reconcile dates and take appropriate action.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: LOCATE DECEASED: Y 42 None

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **89** ICAR no longer issues this narrative.

Text: The FCR/SSA indicates <case party name> is deceased. This person is the <case party role> on the case. The FCR/SSA date of death is <mm/dd/yyyy>. The last city and state of residence is <city, state>. This person's death is considered verified. ICAR DOD and FCR/SSA DOD match. Worker will take appropriate action.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: LOCATE DECEASED: Y 43 None

DATE OF DEATH: MM/DD/YYYY

PAYEE2 DATE OF DEATH: MM/DD/YYYY

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **90** ICAR no longer issues this narrative.

Text: The FCR/SSA indicates <case party name> is not deceased!!! This person is the <case party role> on the case. Prior FCR/SSA records incorrectly reported that this person is deceased! ICAR removed the date of death from this person's record! The worker will not proceed with any actions started as a result of the incorrect information previously provided by FCR/SSA!

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: LOCATE DECEASED: BLANK 44 None

DATE OF DEATH: 00/00/0000
PAYEE2 DATE OF DEATH: 00/00/0000

PATEL2 DATE OF DEATH. 00/00/0000

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: **91**

Text: The FCR/SSA indicates <child's name> is deceased. This person is the child on the case.

The FCR/SSA date of death is <mm/dd/yyyy>. The last city and state of residence is <city, state>. This child already has a bypass reason on the CHILD2 screen. The worker will add the FCR/SSA information to the comments on the CHILD2 screen.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: 45 None

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **92**

Text: The FCR/SSA indicates <child's name> is not deceased!!! This person is the child on the case. Prior FCR/SSA records incorrectly reported that this person is deceased! The child does not have a date of death listed on the CHILD2 screen. The worker will review the rest of the case and remove any data indicating this child is deceased.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: 46 None

Process: CLOSE Number: 93

Text: Case closed. Initiating state did not provide information or assistance Iowa requires to complete the next essential step in establishment/enforcement.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE STATUS (A/I/C/D/H) C 19

TERM NOTICE SENT MM/DD/YYYY

REASON COOP3

CASE CLOSED MM/DD/YYYY

CASE CLOSED MM/DD/YYYY

Process: CLOSE Number: 94

Text: Initiating state must provide information or assistance for Iowa to complete the next essential step in establishment/enforcement. Initiating state has 60 days to provide required material, and has been notified through CSENET or status letter. Information or assistance required: <worker entered variable>

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE STATUS (A/I/C/D/H) A 29 18

TERM NOTICE SENT MM/DD/YYYY REASON COOP3

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: **95**

Text: No longer used -- never implemented

Status: Screen: Field: Entry: Flag:

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: **96**

Text: No longer used -- never implemented

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status:

Process: **CLOSE** Number: 97

Text: IM has determined that good cause is to be granted to payee and further action on this case may be harmful to the custodial parent or child(ren). CSRU is not to proceed with further action on this case. This case has been closed.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE 2 11

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H) TERM NOTICE SENT BLANK

GOODA REASON CASE CLOSED MM/DD/YYYY

REFER2 GOOD CAUSE

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **98** ICAR no longer issues this narrative.

Text: Notice of Termination sent to the initiating state(s): <state(s) abbreviation>

Obligor/putative father deceased. No further action, including levy against estate, can be taken.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status:

CASE 50 TERM NOTICE SENT MM/DD/YYYY

REASON DECDA

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **99**

Text: Notice of Termination sent to obligee. Obligor/putative father deceased. No further action, including levy against estate, can be taken.

Field: Screen: Flag: Status: Entry:

CASE TERM NOTICE SENT MM/DD/YYYY 50

REASON DECDA

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: **100**

Text: Notice of Termination, form 470-0201, not sent to obligee. No valid address. Obligor/putative father deceased. No further action, including levy against estate, can be taken.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status:

CASE TERM NOTICE SENT MM/DD/YYYY 20

REASON DECDA

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **101**

Text: Notice of Termination sent to requestor of services: Obligor/putative father's address. Obligor/putative father deceased. No further action, including levy against estate, can be taken.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status:

CASE TERM NOTICE SENT MM/DD/YYYY 50

REASON DECDA

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **102**

Text: Notice of Termination, 470-0201, not sent to requestor of services: Obligor/putative father. No valid address. Obligor/putative father deceased. No further action, including levy against estate, can be taken.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status:

CASE TERM NOTICE SENT MM/DD/YYYY 33

REASON DECDA

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: **103**

Text: Case will close in 60 days because the obligor/putative father is deceased and no further action can be taken. No notice sent because services are not being provided.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status:

CASE TERM NOTICE SENT MM/DD/YYYY

REASON DECDA

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **104** ICAR no longer issues this narrative.

Text: This case has been closed because the obligor or putative father is deceased and no further action can be taken. Closure notice has been sent to the following state(s): <state abbreviation(s) >

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status:

CASE STATUS (A/I/C/D/H) C 2 4

TERM NOTICE SENT MM/DD/YYYY
REASON DECDA
CASE CLOSED DATE MM/DD/YYYY

CASE CLOSED DATE MM/DD/YYYY

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: **105**

Text: IM has granted good cause type "A". CSRU cannot proceed. Case status changed

from active to inactive.

Screen: Entry: Flag: Field: Status:

CASE STATUS (A/I/C/D/H) Α

IGOOD

REASON
PAYEE GOOD CAUSE:

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **106**

Text: IM has granted good cause type "A". CSRU cannot proceed. Case status changed

from hold to inactive unless already inactive.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status:

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H) CASE 51

REASON IGOOD

PAYEE GOOD CAUSE:

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **107**

Text: ICAR initiated case closure because there is no current obligation and the balance is

paid in full.

Flag: Screen: Field: Entry: Status:

CASE REASON NSOR – system entered

when notice is sent

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H):

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **108**

Text: ICAR initiated case closure because:

Entry: Screen: Field: Flag: Status:

CASE NSOR – system entered REASON

when notice is sent

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H):

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **109**

Text: This case rebuilt from archived case archived case number.

Flag: Status: Screen: Field: Entry:

CASEHIST F2 on the CASEHIST

screen to rebuild a

history case.

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: **110** Text: Interstate status report sent to

Screen: Flag: Field: Entry: Status:

> Any time an interstate status is generated.

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **111** Text: Notice of Termination sent to

Payor/putative father deceased. No further action, including levy against estate, can be

taken.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status: CASE 50 None TERM NOTICE SENT MM/DD/YYYY

> REASON DECDA

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **112**

Text: This case has been closed because the payor or putative father is deceased and no further action can be taken. Closure notice has been sent to:

Entry: Screen: Field: Flag: Status:

CASE STATUS (A/I/C/D/H)

> TERM NOTICE SENT MM/DD/YYYY REASON DECDA CASE CLOSED DATE MM/DD/YYYY

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **113**

Text: Case closed because absent parent cannot pay support due to incarceration. No income or assets are available for levy or attachment.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status:

CASE PRSN REASON

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H) С

CURRENT ACCT TYPE 14, 15, or 19

Process: **REFER** Number: 3

Text: IM has determined that good cause is to be granted to payee. CSRU may proceed with further action on this case without the cooperation of the custodial parent.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag:

CASE 25 STATUS (A/I/C/D/H) Α

> REASON **BLANK**

REFER2 GOOD CAUSE

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Process: **REFER** Number: 4

Text: IM has determined that a sufficient basis for good cause does not exist. CSRU is to

proceed with further action.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status:

CASE STATUS (A/I/C/D/H) A 26

REASON BLANK

REFER2 GOOD CAUSE D

Process: **REFER** Number: **56**

Text: IM is currently reviewing the facts of the claim to determine if good cause exists.

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status:

CASE STATUS (A/I/C/D/H)

REASON IGOOD

REFER2 GOOD CAUSE P

Process: **REFER** Number: **58**

Text: IM has determined that there is a threat to the parties on this case and good cause is

granted. CSRU may not proceed with any additional actions on this case

Screen: Field: Entry: Flag: Status:

CASE STATUS (A/I/C/D/H) A 86

TERM NOTICE SENT MM/DD/YYYY

REASON GOODA

REFER2 GOOD CAUSE A

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: **1** ICAR no longer issues this flag. Days: 60

Text: Notice of Termination mailed 60 days ago; case may be eligible for closure.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

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Process: CLOSE Number: 2 Days: 1

Text: Case closed. Closure code:

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

3, 4, 5, 13, 14, 15, 25, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 54, 97, 104

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **3** ICAR no longer issues this flag. Days: 1

Text: CSRU case closed. Review foster care balance and assign to foster care worker.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **4** ICAR no longer issues this flag. Days: 365

Text: Case in "I" status. Check for reciprocity and possible enforcement.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

15

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **5** ICAR no longer issues this flag. Days: 60

Text: Notice received of obligor/putative father's death; check documentation/verification.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

38

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: **6** ICAR no longer issues this flag. Days: 365

Text: 1 year delay ended; close case if no further action can be taken.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

21

Process: CLOSE Number: 7 Days: 183

Text: Obligor deceased. Review case for assets and case closure.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

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Process: CLOSE Number: 8 Text: Balance below \$50. Review for clo	Days: 1			
Screen: Field:	Entry:	Narrative: 43, 44	Status: 1	
Process: CLOSE Number: 9 Text: Dummy flag for case closure.	ICAR no longer issues t	his flag.	Days: 999	
Screen: Field:	Entry:	Narrative: 29	Status:	
Process: CLOSE Number: 10 Text: Inactive for 3 years due to failure	ICAR no longer issues t		Days: 96	
Screen: Field:	Entry:	Narrative: 30	Status:	
Process: CLOSE Number: 11 Text: Dummy calendar to delete Calendar #2 from Narrative #32.				
Screen: Field:	Entry:	Narrative: 32	Status:	
Process: CLOSE Number: 13 ICAR no longer issues this flag. Text: Case closed. Transfer paper file to closed section.				
Screen: Field:	Entry:	Narrative:	Status:	
Process: CLOSE Number: 14 Text: Case in error status. Correction n	ICAR no longer issues t	_	Days: 1	
Screen: Field:	Entry:	Narrative: 39	Status:	
Process: CLOSE Number: 15 Text: Automated case closure unsuccess	his flag.	Days:		
Screen: Field:	Entry:	Narrative: 40	Status:	
Process: CLOSE Number: 16 Text: Automated case closure unsuccess	Days: 1			
Screen: Field:	Entry:	Narrative: 41	Status:	

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Entry: Screen: Narrative:

CASE 46, 69, 100 TERM NOTICE SENT REASON MM/DD/YYYY

NON-BLANK

Process: **CLOSE** Number: 21 Days: 1

Text: Dummy flag

Field: Entry: Screen: Narrative: Status:

47, 48

Process: CLOSE Number: 22 ICAR no longer issues this flag. Days: 1

Text: Notice of balance below \$50 (form 470-3210) not sent to obligor. No obligor

address.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

49

Process: CLOSE Number: 23 ICAR no longer issues this flag. Days: 1

Text: Letter to obligee seeking information about obligor/alleged father (form 470-3199)

not sent. No valid address.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: **24** Days:

Text: IV-D services ended. Transfer paper file to closed section.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

51

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **25** ICAR no longer issues this flag. Days:

Text: Cross-referenced case closed.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

52, 68

Process: CLOSE Number: 26 Days: 120

Text: Review case for removal of 'N' to allow case closure.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

70

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **27** ICAR no longer issues this flag. Days:

Text: Review case for open obligation but no balance.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

Process: CLOSE Number: 28 ICAR no longer issues this flag. Days:

Text: Payor has been verified as deceased. Modify end-date of payor's order on ICAR to date of death. Proceed with appropriate enforcement action against the estate for any arrears.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

Process: CLOSE Number: 29 Days: 58

Text: Time allowed for initiating state to respond to request for information has expired. Check for information returned from initiating state. If none, allow system to close case overnight.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

CASE TERM NOTICE SENT REASON MM/DD/YYYY 94 18

COOP3

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **30** ICAR no longer issues this flag. Days:

Text: COOP3 closure canceled. Initiating state responded with information through

CSENET transaction. Review case for next appropriate action.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

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Process: CLOSE Number: 31 Days: 60

Text: Check for response from custodial party regarding closure under NSOR2. 60-day

delay has expired.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **32** ICAR no longer issues this flag. Days: 1

Text: Notice of Termination not sent to recipient of services. No address available. Review

for CONT.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

Process: CLOSE Number: 33 Days

Text: Notice of Termination not sent to payor/AF for case closure. No payor/AF address:

Review for payor/AF location.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status: CASE TERM NOTICE SENT REASON MM/DD/YYYY 102 None

NON-BLANK

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **34** Days:

Text: System attempt to close case overnight halted due to open process on CASESTAT

screen. Terminate all open processes to allow for case closure.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: **35** ICAR no longer issues this flag. Days: Text: Received information from COC. A full satisfaction of judgment has been filed.

Review for case closure.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **36** ICAR no longer issues this flag. Days:

Text: Review case. Payment received since closure code entered on the case, but before

closure completed. Re-open case if appropriate.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

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Process: CLOSE Number: 37 Days

Text: CSENet indicates an interstate case closed in the following state.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

Process: CLOSE Number: 38 Days:

Text: The status has been changed for a case in another state. The case is now (o)pen or

(c)losed. Contact the other state for more information if needed.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **39** Days:

Text: FACS indicates child left foster care. Contact social worker for the child and send Notice of Continued Support Services to the family who has custody of the child.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

This calendar flag does This calendar flag None None

not issue. does not issue.

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **40** ICAR no longer issues this flag. Days: 35

Text: FCR/SSA data indicates the following person is deceased. Consider the death of this person verified and take appropriate action.

FCR/SSA data: <system entered variable>

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status: LOCATE DECEASED: Y 87 None

DATE OF DEATH: MM/DD/YYYY

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **41** ICAR no longer issues this flag. Days:

Text: ICAR updated the following person's DOD based on FCR/SSA data. Another calendar flag will notify you when the information is considered verified.

FCR/SSA data: <system entered variable>

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **42** ICAR no longer issues this flag. Days:

Text: FCR/SSA data verifies the following person is deceased. ICAR DOD does not match

FCR/SSA DOD. Reconcile dates and take appropriate action.

FCR/SSA data: < system entered variable>

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

LOCATE DECEASED: Y 88

DATE OF DEATH: MM/DD/YYYY

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: **43** ICAR no longer issues this flag. Days

Text: FCR/SSA data verifies the following person is deceased. ICAR DOD matches the

FCR/SSA DOD. Take appropriate action.

FCR/SSA data: <system entered variable>

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

LOCATE DECEASED: Y 89

DATE OF DEATH: MM/DD/YYYY

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **44** ICAR no longer issues this flag. Days:

Text: FCR/SSA data indicates the following person is not deceased!!!!! ICAR removed the DOD!!!!! Do not proceed with any actions based on previous data indicating this person is deceased!!!

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

LOCATE DECEASED: Y 90

DATE OF DEATH: BLANK

Process: CLOSE Number: 45 Days:

Text: FCR/SSA data indicates the following child is deceased. The child already has a bypass reason on the CHILD2 screen. Add the following FCR/SSA information to the comments on the CHILD2 screen: <system entered variable>

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

CHILD2 EST BY-PASS: NON-BLANK 91

Process: CLOSE Number: 46 Days

Text: FCR/SSA indicates the following child is not deceased! The child does not have a date of death listed on CHILD2. Check the rest of the case and remove any data indicating this child is deceased.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: **47** ICAR no longer issues this flag. Days:

Text: The other state plans to close this case in 60 days because Iowa has not responded

to their request for addl info. Please contact other state or provide info.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: **48** ICAR no longer issues this flag. Days:

Text: The other state has closed this interstate case claiming Iowa did not provide the info/assistance it needs to process the case. End INTERSTA screen or initiate referral.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **49** ICAR no longer issues this flag. Days

Text: Created for the GOODA process but never used. Using existing cal flag close 2

instead.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

Process: CLOSE Number: 50 Days: 60

Text: Notice of Termination issued 60 days ago. Review for response from requestor of services with further information. Should case remain open?

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

CASE TERM NOTICE SENT MM/DD/YYYY 98, 99, 101

REASON DECDA

Process: **REFER** Number: **25** Days: 1

Text: IM has determined that good cause is to be granted to CP. CSRU may proceed with action on the case. Change any child names to initials on PRLIST.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

CASE STATUS (A/I/C/D/H) A 3

REASON BLANK

REFER2 GOOD CAUSE C

Process: **REFER** Number: **26** Days: 1

Text: IM has determined that a sufficient basis for good cause does not exist. CSRU may proceed to enforce. Change any child names to initials on PRLIST.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Status:

CASE STATUS (A/I/C/D/H) A 4

REASON BLANK

REFER2 GOOD CAUSE D

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: **1**

Text: The above referenced case was re-opened effective ___/___.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Flag:

CASE TERM NOTICE SENT Spaces through 47

existing date

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **2** ICAR no longer issues this status.

Text: This case has been closed because there is no longer a current support order and

arrearages are under \$500 or unenforceable under state law.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Flag:

CASE REASON NSOR1 52

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): C

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **3**

Text: This case has been closed because there is no longer a current support order and arrearages are under \$500 or unenforceable under state law.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Flag:

CASE REASON NSOR1 53

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): C

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **4**

Text: This case has been closed because the obligor or putative father is deceased and no further action can be taken.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Flag:

CASE REASON DECD 54

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H):

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **5**

Text: This case has been closed because paternity cannot be established because the child is at least 18 years old and paternity action is barred by the statute of limitations.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Flag:

CASE REASON AGEL 55, 56, 57

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): C

Process: **CLOSE** Number: 6

Text: This case has been closed because the noncustodial parent's location has been unknown for a 3-year period.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Flag:

CASE REASON LOCA 58

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): C

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: **7**

Text: This case has been closed because the absent parent cannot pay support for the following reason(s):

The parent is institutionalized in a psychiatric facility; is incarcerated; or has a total and permanent disability. No income or assets are available.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Flag

CASE REASON INST, PRSN, or DISA 59, 60, 61

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): C

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **8**

Text: This case has been closed because the noncustodial parent lives in a foreign country.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Flag

CASE REASON CITZ 62

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): C

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **9** ICAR no longer issues this status.

Text: This case has been closed because the requested location-only services have been

provided.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Flag:

CASE REASON LOCS 63

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): C

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **10**

Text: This case has been closed because of the recipient of services' request. There is no assignment to the state of medical support or accrued arrearages.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Flag:

CASE REASON REQU 64

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): C

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **11**

Text: This case has been closed because of a finding of good cause based on risk of harm to the child or caretaker relative.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Flag: CASE REASON GOODA 97 2

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): C

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **12**

Text: This case has been closed because of our inability to locate the custodial parent by phone or certified letter within 60 calendar days.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Flag:

CASE REASON CONT 66

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): C

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: **13**

Text: This case has been closed due to the non-cooperation and actions of the custodial

parent.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Flag:

CASE REASON COOP 67

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): C

Process: CLOSE Number: 14

Text: This case has been closed because paternity cannot be established because a genetic test or a court or an administrative process has excluded the putative father, and no other putative father could be named.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Flag:

CASE REASON EXCL

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): C

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **15**

Text: This case closed because it was not in the best interests of the child to establish

paternity.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Flag:

CASE REASON NCIN

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): C

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **16**

Text: This case closed because the identity of the alleged father could not be determined after at least one interview with the custodial party.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Flag:

CASE REASON NOID

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): C

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **17**

Text: This case has been closed because the noncustodial parent's location has been

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unknown for a 1-year period.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Flag:

CASE REASON LOCA1

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): C

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **18**

Text: As the initiating state in this case, Iowa's CSRU needs you to provide the following information to allow us to take the next essential step in the case. If you do not provide us with the necessary data, we will close this case under 45 CFR 303.11(b)(17).

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Flag:

CASE REASON COOP3

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): A

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Process: **CLOSE** Number: **19**

Text: You have not provided the necessary information that Iowa requested for this case. Iowa has closed the case under authority of 45 CFR 303.11(b)(17). Iowa's case is now closed.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Flag:

CASE REASON COOP3

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): C

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **20** ICAR no longer issues status.

Text: This case has been closed because there is no longer a current support order and

arrearages are under \$500.00 or unenforceable under state law.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Flag:

CASE REASON NSOR, NSOR1, or NSOR2

STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): C

Process: **CLOSE** Number: **21** Text: This case has been closed.

Screen: Field: Entry: Narrative: Flag:

CASE STATUS (A/I/C/D/H): C