

**Policy 7.01 Plan and Progress Report**  
 Timeframe: July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023  
**Division of Child Support Region 3: Makah Tribe**

Implementation Plan				Progress Report
(1) Goals/Objectives	(2) Activities	(3) Expected Outcome	(4) Lead Staff and Target Date	(5) Status Update for the Fiscal Year Starting Last July 1
Continue to provide child support services to Makah members. Provide information regarding our services to Makah tribal staff.	Child support cases of Makah members will be worked by Olympia Tribal Team members.	Services provided as appropriate.	Andy Ewing, Tribal Team Supervisor, 360-664-6927 <a href="mailto:andy.ewing@dshs.wa.gov">andy.ewing@dshs.wa.gov</a> Ann Bailie, Tribal Liaison, 360-664-6965 <a href="mailto:ann.bailie@dshs.wa.gov">ann.bailie@dshs.wa.gov</a> Eric Stender, Tribal Liaison, 360-664-6971 <a href="mailto:Eric.stender@dshs.wa.gov">Eric.stender@dshs.wa.gov</a> Darlene Scissons, General Assistance Mgr Makah Tribe <a href="mailto:darlene.perry@makah.com">darlene.perry@makah.com</a>	Currently, 145 non-custodial parents identified as members of the Makah Tribe have open child support cases. The Division of Child Support will provide the Makah Tribe annual reports regarding child support collections from Makah tribal members.
	Provide direct access to Olympia Tribal Team via dedicated toll free number 866-850-1496.	Makah members' calls are automatically routed to the Tribal Team.	The direct contact for Makah members is Ann Bailie and Eric Stender. Their direct phone numbers can be found directly above.	Makah members' calls that come in to the Olympia Field Office are currently routed to Ann Bailie and Eric Stender and if either liaison is not available those calls will be routed to other Olympia tribal liaisons.

	<p>Educating Makah Tribal community members and/or Community Services staff on child support related issues.</p>	<p><b>Due to the COVID pandemic, outreach on the Makah reservation has not occurred. DCS will be in contact with the tribe to discuss the resumption of outreach.</b></p> <p>The Division of Child Support wants to help the Makah community become aware of options available to them through DCS.</p> <p>Completed outreach efforts by making presentation to staff, meeting with clients or participating in the Makah Health Fair.</p>	<p>Eric Stender, Ann Bailie and other members of the Olympia Field Office's Tribal Team.</p> <p>Date will depend on COVID-19 protocols in place for both the Tribe and DCS.</p>	<p>The Olympia Tribal Team is committed to meeting/doing outreach with Makah tribal staff and/or DCS clients 3 to 4 times over the next year. This outreach includes participation in tribal community events such as the Makah Health fair.</p> <p>The tribal team will be in contact with Makah Social Services staff to set up dates for visits and to ensure that the Makah community is aware of upcoming visits.</p> <p>The Division of Child Support is willing to give a "Child Support 101" presentation to interested Makah staff/tribal council members. DCS will contact the Makah Tribe to schedule the presentation.</p> <p><b>At this time, the Makah Tribal Gov't offices are still closed although the reservation is technically 'open'. DCS will reach out in May 2022 to ask about potential outreach visits this year.</b></p>
	<p>Ensure communication with Makah Tribe for information sharing, joint planning and problem solving.</p>	<p>Completed meeting with Makah Tribal Staff to discuss our 7.01 plan.</p>	<p>Andy Ewing, Tribal Team Supervisor, Ann Bailie &amp; Eric Stender, Makah Tribal liaisons</p>	<p>DCS met with the Makah Tribe on 3/28/22. The draft plan has been sent to them for approval</p>

<p>The Division of Child Support is willing to partner with the Makah Tribe in developing strategies and innovative approaches aimed at increasing the number of tribal members paying support for their children.</p>	<p>Explore the possibility of the Makah Tribe accepting direct wage withholding from the Division of Child Support for those employed by the Makah Tribe</p> <p>The Makah Tribal police is currently serving documents on the reservation on behalf of the Clallam Co. Prosecuting Attorney</p>	<p>Receive child support from non-custodial parents who have the ability to pay but choose not to.</p> <p>The Division of Child Support would have an alternate method to serve DCS documents in the Makah community if service by mail is unsuccessful</p>	<p>DCS will contact the Tribal Police Dept by 5/1/22.</p>	<p>Makah Tribal payroll currently withholds funds from the pay of non-custodial parents if there is a voluntary wage assignment in place. The ability to collect child support from Makah tribal employees via wage withholding orders is an issue that would need to be addressed by the Makah Tribal Council.</p> <p>A phone # for the Makah Tribal Police has been provided by the Tribe so that DCS can reach out to them to discuss the possibility of service of documents on the reservation.</p>
--	---	---	---	--