

DRAFT Policy 7.01 Plan and Progress Report

Timeframe: July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023

Division of Child Support Region 3 / Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe

Annual Due Date: April 30 (submit Assistant Secretary's Plan to OIP).

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
1) Continue to provide child support services to Shoalwater Bay tribal members. Provide information regarding our services to Shoalwater Bay tribal staff.	The Olympia Tribal Team works all cases for Shoalwater Bay tribal members and employees. Tribal members and staff have direct access to Olympia Tribal Team via dedicated toll free number 866-850-1496.	Shoalwater Bay tribal members can expect to talk to knowledgeable staff.	Andy Ewing, Tribal Team Supervisor (360) 664-6927 andy.ewing@dshs.wa.gov Natalia Guenther, Tribal Liaison (360) 664-6859 Natalia.Guenther@dshs.wa.gov	The Shoalwater Bay child support caseload currently has 1 open case involving a Non-Custodial parent whom is a member of the Shoalwater Bay Tribe. The Shoalwater Bay caseload also includes: a) Tribal TANF cases and the non-custodial parents associated with these cases. b) Non-custodial parents employed by the Shoalwater Bay Tribe. Shoalwater Bay member's calls that come in to the Olympia Field Office are currently routed to Natalia Guenther.
2) Ensure communication with Shoalwater Bay Tribe for information sharing, joint planning and problem solving.	Annual 7.01 meeting	7.01 plan update to meet needs of Shoalwater Bay and DCS.	Andy Ewing, Tribal Team Supervisor/ Natalia Guenther, Tribal Liaison	The Shoalwater Bay Tribe has opted not to meet with the Division of Child Support this year (as of 3/8/2022).
3) The Division of Child Support will partner with the Shoalwater Bay Tribe to develop strategies to increase the number of tribal members who will pay towards their child support obligation.	a) Educating Shoalwater Bay Social Services staff and/ or tribal members on child support issues.	Social Services staff are better equipped to address questions & concerns community members have concerning child support issues.	Natalia Guenther, Tribal Liaison/ Andy Ewing Tribal Team supervisor	The Division of Child Support is more than willing to meet with Social Services staff and/or community members on child support issues such as modifying child support obligations, conference board write-offs and contacting DCS. The Shoalwater Bay Tribe honors the wage withholding orders they receive from the Division of Child Support.

	<p>b) Participating in events held to benefit Shoalwater Bay members and the surrounding community.</p>	<p>Participation by DCS in events such as health fairs gives the community the opportunity to learn about the Division of Child Support and get advice/ have questions addressed regarding child support issues.</p>	<p>DCS regularly communicates with payroll for Shoalwater Bay tribal employers.</p> <p>The Division of Child Support is strongly interested in participating in events held to benefit the Shoalwater Bay community.</p> <p>No outreach has been done recently with the Shoalwater Bay Tribe due to Covid-19.</p>
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