

WORKSHEET EXAMPLES

Basic facts: Mom and Dad have three kids
Dad earns \$3,000 per month
Mom could earn \$1,500 per month if she'd work full time

Variations: Let's give Dad another child for whom he pays support (does it matter if he pays \$299/month or \$500/month?)
Let's have Dad pay \$100 medical insurance premium each month
Let's have Mom pay \$600 for daycare each month
Let's decrease Dad's income to \$2,000 per month

Example 1

All three kids live with Mom.

- Example 1A: transfer payment **\$739**
- Example 1B1: Same income, but Mom pays daycare \$600/month.
 - The standard calculation is **\$1133**
 - Due to the 45% limitation, transfer payment is now **\$1092/month**.
- Example 1B2: Same income, but dad pays medical insurance premium \$100/month.
 - The standard calculation is **\$668**
- Example 1B3: Same income, but Mom pays daycare of \$600/mo and Dad pays health insurance premium of \$100/month.
 - The standard calculation is **\$1062**
 - No problems with either the 45% or need standard limitation.
- Example 1C: Dad's income went down to \$2,000, same daycare, same premium.
 - The standard calculation is **\$877**
 - Due to the 45% limitation, we'd go to **\$744**
 - Because of the need standard limitation, transfer payment is now **\$638**

Example 2

All three kids live with Mom. Dad has another child, Charlie, from a previous relationship.

(WHOLE FAMILY FORMULA)

- Example 2A: same facts as Example 1A, only Dad pays \$299 per month for his child with girlfriend.
- Standard calculation is \$739, but
- Whole Family Formula "deviation" means transfer payment is \$739 minus \$112, or \$627
- Example 2B: same facts, but Dad pays \$500 for the child.
- Standard calculation is \$739, and
- Whole Family Formula "deviation" means transfer payment is \$739 minus \$112, or \$627
- Transfer payment is *still* \$627 no matter what amount of support is paid for Charlie

Example 3

Two kids live with Mom, one lives with Dad. (ARVEY CALCULATION)

- Same incomes as Example 1A, but oldest child now lives with Dad.
- Standard Calculation is \$492 for Dad
- Standard Calculation is \$129 for Mom
- Arvey Adjustment means Dad pays Mom
- Transfer payment is \$363

Want to try out further permutations?

You can use the online child support calculator at

<http://www.courts.wa.gov/ssgen/>

If you forget this address, you can find a link on the DCS internet home page, located at <http://www1.dshs.wa.gov/dcs/>