

APPENDIX A
STANDARD HEALTH CARE ORDERS FOR MINOR CHILD(REN)
PAYMENT OF EXTRAORDINARY MEDICAL EXPENSES FOR MINOR CHILD(REN)
HURON COUNTY COMMON PLEAS COURT

I. Statutory Health Care Orders and Notices

The parents who are the subject of these orders are as follows:

Child Support Oblige

Child Support Obligor

The minor child(ren) who are the subject of these orders is/are as follows:

Full Name of Child

Date of Birth

Full Name of Child

Date of Birth

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that, if health insurance coverage for the child(ren) is not available at a reasonable cost to Obligor or Oblige at the time the Court issues the support order, Oblige shall obtain health care coverage for the child(ren) not later than thirty (30) days after the coverage becomes available to Oblige at a reasonable cost and shall inform the Huron County Child Support Enforcement Agency (CSEA) IN WRITING when health care coverage for the child(ren) has been obtained. [Revised Code (R.C.) 3119.30(B)(2).]

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, if health insurance coverage becomes available to Obligor at a reasonable cost, Obligor shall inform the Huron County CSEA IN WRITING and may seek a modification of health care coverage from the Court with respect to a court child support order. [R.C. 3119.30(B)(3).]

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the person(s) required to provide health care coverage for the minor child(ren) shall provide to the other party, not later than thirty (30) days after the issuance of this order, information regarding the benefits, limitations, and exclusions of the coverage, copies of any forms necessary to receive reimbursement, payment or benefits under the coverage, and a copy of any necessary proof of coverage. [R.C. 3119.32(A)(1).]

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the person(s) required to provide health care coverage for the minor child(ren) shall provide to the Huron County CSEA, not later than thirty (30) days after the issuance of this order, documentation that verifies that the coverage is being provided as ordered. [R.C. 3119.32(A)(2).]

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the person(s) required to provide health care coverage for the minor child(ren) shall designate the child(ren) as covered dependents under any health care coverage policy, contract or plan. [R.C. 3119.32(C).]

The name and address of the individual who is to be reimbursed for medical expenses is as follows:

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, if the child(ren) who are the subject of this order is/are eligible for and/or receive(s) medical assistance (i.e., “Medicaid,” etc.) under Revised Code Chapters 5111 or 5115, Oblige and Obligor shall notify any physician, hospital or other provider of medical services to the child(ren) of the number of any health insurance or health care policy, contract or plan that covers the child(ren) and include in the notice the name and address of the insurer. [R.C. 3119.54.]

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any employer of a person required to provide health insurance coverage and who receives a copy of this order issued under Revised Code 3119.30 shall comply with this order and shall notify Huron County CSEA of any change in or the termination of the health insurance coverage that is maintained pursuant to this order. [R.C. 3119.361 and 3119.364.]

R.C. 3119.32(E) NOTICE: The employer of the person(s) required to obtain health care coverage is required to release to the other parent, any person subject to an order issued under Section 3109.19 of the Revised Code, or Huron County CSEA on written request any necessary information on the health care coverage, including the name and address of the health plan administrator and any policy, contract, or plan number, and to otherwise comply with Revised Code 3119.32 and any order or notice issued under this section.

R.C. 3119.32(G) NOTICE: If the person required to obtain health care coverage for the children subject to this child support order obtains new employment, the agency shall comply with the requirements of section 3119.34 of the Revised Code, which may result in the issuance of a notice requiring the new employer to take whatever action is necessary to enroll the children in private health care insurance coverage provided by the new employer when insurance is not being provided by any other source.

II. Payment of Extraordinary Medical Expenses and Other Orders

“Cash medical support” means an amount ordered to be paid in a child support order toward the ordinary medical expenses incurred during a calendar year. [R.C. 3119.01(C)(1).]

“Ordinary medical expenses” includes co-payments and deductibles, and uninsured medical-related costs for the child(ren). [R.C. 3119.01(C)(14).]

“Extraordinary medical expenses” means any uninsured medical expenses incurred for a child during a calendar year that exceed the total cash medical support amount owed by the parents during that year. [R.C. 3119.01(C)(7).]

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that “medical expenses” and “health care expenses” shall include medical, surgical, hospital, prescription, ophthalmological, optical, dental, orthodontic, psychiatric, psychological, outpatient, doctor, therapy, counseling, prosthetic, and/or all other expenses, including preventative health care expenses related to the treatment of the human body and mind for the child(ren) subject to this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, each calendar year, it shall be the responsibility of the Child Support Oblige to pay the annual cash medical amount for all ordinary medical expenses incurred for the child(ren).

Pursuant to the child support computation worksheet in effect, that amount is \$ _____ per year.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, after the Child Support Oblige has spent the above annual cash medical amount for the child(ren), the Child Support Oblige shall notify and provide written proof to the other parent that this financial threshold has been met; further, thereafter, each parent shall be responsible for payment of extraordinary medical expenses in the percentage amount of each parent’s income on line 17 of the child support computation worksheet in effect or as otherwise agreed by the parents.

Pursuant to the child support computation worksheet in effect, or, as otherwise agreed by the parents, those percentages are:

Child Support Obligor: _____ % Child Support Oblige: _____ %

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, if there is no child support order or child support computation worksheet in effect, the children’s medical expenses shall be borne equally by the parents, unless otherwise agreed by the parents.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that neither parent shall cause the other parent to be charged or billed for medical or health care expenses for the child(ren) without that parent’s express written consent.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the parent obtaining medical or health care services for the child(ren) shall promptly notify the other parent by written statement of the date of medical or health care service(s) provided to the child(ren), the cost of the service(s), the service(s) provided, and the identity of the service provider(s) for each child when medical or health care expenses are incurred.

NOTICE: No contempt for non-payment of medical or health care expenses will be entertained by the Court for cases in which an accounting for the complaining parent’s share has not been given to the other parent.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, after a parent incurs a medical or health care expense for a child subject to this order, that parent shall provide the other parent with the originals or copies of any medical or health care bills and any “Explanation of Benefits (EOB),” if available, within thirty (30) days of the date on the bill or the EOB, whichever is later, absent extraordinary circumstances; further, the other parent shall reimburse the other parent or shall pay the bill directly to the creditor within thirty (30) days of receipt of said bill in the amount required as shown

above; further, each parent shall promptly notify the other parent of a child's illness or injury when the child is in his or her care.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all notifications and exchange of medical bills or payments to the other parent shall be by certified mail or electronic transmittal which shall not be unreasonably refused or unclaimed by the receiving parent.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, when it is determined that it is necessary for a child to have major medical, dental, orthodontic, optical, surgical, hospital, prescription, psychiatric or psychological services not of an emergency nature and will incur significant expense for which a parent will be obligated to pay or to share, then the parent proposing treatment shall immediately notify the other parent before authorizing treatment; further, that the other parent has a right to know the necessity for proposed cost of treatment and proposed payment schedule; further, that the other parent may also secure an independent evaluation to determine the necessity for treatment of the child at that parent's expense.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, if the health care coverage is cancelled for any reason, the parent ordered to maintain the coverage shall immediately notify the other parent and take immediate steps to obtain replacement coverage; further, unless the cancellation was intentional, the uncovered medical expenses shall be paid as provided above; further, however, if the cancellation was intentionally caused by the parent ordered to maintain the health care coverage, that parent shall be responsible for all medical expenses for the child(ren) that would have been covered had the coverage been in effect.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that both parents shall cooperate with service providers, insurers and each other in the preparation and signing of insurance forms to obtain reimbursement or payment of medical or health care expenses, and each parent shall provide a current address to the other.