

Enforcement of Arrearage

If payment of a child support order falls behind, it is considered to be an arrearage. There are a variety of tools a CSEA can use to collect an arrearage. Some methods CSEAs have the ability to use include:

- Credit reporting
- Professional and driver license suspension
- Increase the amount of income withholding to pay arrears
- Use of Financial Institution Data Match (FIDM) to identify financial accounts belonging to non-residential parents who are delinquent in their child support obligations. Once identified, these accounts may be subject to “freezing” and “seizing” by our CSEA office.
- Using tax offset to collect federal and/or state tax refunds of the non-residential parent to satisfy past-due child support