Workshop 101: The Impact of Child Support Guidelines on Low Income Families

Thursday, February 6, 2020
3:30 - 5:00 PM

Historically guidelines have focused largely on economic data on the cost of rearing children in intact families, but those expenditures do not reflect the reality of separated low-income parents. Panelists will explore several issues, including: What measures are appropriate for guidelines to use to measure poverty and the subsistence needs of families? How can you balance subsistence needs when both parents are low income? What insight can the court and child support agency provide in establishing child support orders in low-income cases? How can states provide a meaningful opportunity for input from low-income parents during the guideline review?

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