## **CASH MEDICAL SUPPORT**

Cash Medical Support is an amount of money ordered to be paid in addition to child support by a person ordered to pay child support when no private health insurance is provided or ordered.

The parties' combined Cash Medical Support obligation is the amount in the attached chart for the parties' combined gross income and number of children <u>OR</u> 5% of the adjusted gross income of the party required to pay support (line 14a of the Child Support Guidelines Worksheet), <u>whichever is the lower amount.</u>

If there is no accessible Private Health Insurance available at a reasonable cost, <u>AND</u> the annual gross income of the person ordered to pay child support is at least \$16,335.00, then that person must pay the entire Cash Medical Support amount.

The Child Support recipient's proportionate share of Cash Medical Support is automatically deducted from the amount of child support due when private health insurance is not provided.

## 2011 Ohio Department of Job and Family Services Schedule of Cash Medical Support Obligations

The following schedule of cash m edical support obligations shall be used by all courts and child support enforcement agencies to calculate the amount of cash medical support to be paid pursuant to a child support order in accordance with section by an obligor, **unless the annual gross income of the obligor is 150% of the federal poverty level for an individual.** 

| Combined<br>Adjusted<br>Gross<br>Income | Number of Children |          |         |         |         |             |
|---|--------------------|----------|---------|---------|---------|-------------|
|   | One                | Two      | Three   | Four    | Five    | Six or more |
| Less than<br>\$56,300                   | \$869              | \$1,390  | \$1,626 | \$2,168 | \$2,711 | \$3,253     |
| \$56,000 to<br>\$97,490                 | \$984*             | \$1,886  | \$2,207 | \$2,942 | \$3,678 | \$4,413     |
| More than<br>\$97,490                   | \$984*             | \$1,968* | \$2,551 | \$3,401 | \$4,251 | \$5,101     |

\* Indicates that the obligation has been adjust ed downward t o ensure t hat the amount of cash m edical support that m ay be assigned to the Ohio Departm ent of Job and Fam ily Services does not exceed the amount of the State's medical assistance expenditure.

The schedule of cash medical support obligations is based on data published by the United States Department of Agriculture: <u>Expenditures on Children by Families 2009</u>, *Estimated annual expenditures on a child by husband-wife families, urban Midwest, 2009* and the lowest regional capitation rate of Ohio's Medicaid managed care program, as determined by the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services.