

Cherokee Nation Code Annotated
Title 43: Marriage and Family
Chapter 5: Office of Child Support Services
§ 500A. Definitions
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A. **"Address of record"** means an address for a party or a custodial person in a child support case that is used for service of process in child support actions. An address of record is a public record and may be different from the party's or custodial person's physical address.

B. **"Child"** means:

1. a person under eighteen (18) years of age; and
2. a person eighteen (18) or more years of age with respect to whom a child support order has been issued pursuant to the laws of a state.

C. **"Child support"** means a payment of money, continuing support, or arrearages or the provision of a benefit (including payment of health insurance, child care, and educational expenses) for the support of a child.

D. **"Child support order"**:

1. means a judgment, decree, or order of a court requiring the payment of child support in periodic amounts or in a lump sum; and
2. includes:
 - a. a permanent or temporary order; and
 - b. an initial order or a modification of an order.

E. **"Court"** means a court or administrative agency of a state or tribe that is authorized by state or tribal law to establish the amount of child support payable by a contestant or make a modification of a child support order.

F. **"Custodial parent"** means a parent who has physical custody of a child.

G. **"Custodial party"** means a court-appointed caretaker who has physical custody of a child.

H. **"IV-D case"** means a case in which child support services are being provided under Cherokee Nation's child support plan as approved by the Federal Administration for Children and Families.

I. **"Modification"** means a change in a child support order that affects the amount, scope, or duration of the order and modifies, replaces, supersedes, or otherwise is made subsequent to the child support order.

J. **"Non-custodial parent"** means a parent who does not have physical custody of a child.

Historical Data

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