

INTERPRETIVE MEMO

Reach Up Rule Interpretation **Reach Up Procedural Instruction**

This memo remains effective statewide until it is specifically superseded – either by a subsequent memo or by a contradictory rule with a later date.

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UPDATE:

The third paragraph at 2235 which had exempted noncustodial parents (NCPs) from incurring or having to pay child support debt while they are receiving Reach Up or PSE is now inconsistent with state law.

The Vermont General Assembly amended 33 V.S.A. §3903 pertaining to child support debt effective January 1, 2009. This law change eliminated the provision that exempted NCPs from incurring or having to pay a child support debt while receiving Reach Up or PSE benefits. OCS now has the authority to collect child support from NCPs while they receive Reach Up or PSE benefits for their dependent children or SSI/AABD for themselves.

As soon as possible, the rule will be amended to reflect the obsolete reference.

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