137-055-2080 Office Responsible for Providing Services when Conflict of Interest

(1) The Child Support Program (CSP) will, to the maximum extent possible, assign support cases to avoid the potential for or the appearance of a conflict of interest.

(2) If an actual or potential conflict of interest is identified by either an employee or a party or potential party to a case, the manager of the affected office shall make a determination whether the case should:

(a) Remain assigned to the current employee;

(b) Be reassigned to another employee within the same office; or

(c) Be reassigned to a different office.

(3) If the determination made under section (2) of this rule is to reassign the case to a different office, the manager of the affected office shall contact the manager of another CSP office, which may be either a district attorney or Division of Child Support office, to reach an agreement and arrange for the case to be reassigned.

(4) If the branch offices cannot reach an agreement for the case to be reassigned or if the party or potential party disagrees with the determination made by the manager of the affected branch office, the CSP Director shall decide which office has the responsibility for providing services for that particular case.

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