

IN THE COMMON PLEAS COURT OF OTTAWA COUNTY, OHIO
JUVENILE DIVISION

PAYMENT FOR EXTRAORDINARY HEALTHCARE
EXPENSES FOR MINOR CHILD(REN)

Amended July 11, 2000

IT IS THE ORDER of this Court that, in all cases, payment of extraordinary health care expenses shall be as follows unless otherwise specified in the Judgment Entry:

1. The parties shall maintain in full force and effect a policy or policies of medical, surgical, and hospital insurance for the minor child(ren) as ordered.
2. After payment of all medical, dental (including orthodontic), optical, psychological/psychiatric and pharmaceutical expenses incurred on behalf of the parties' minor child(ren) from any and all available insurance coverage, then:
 - (a) The residential parent and legal custodian shall pay the necessary medical, dental (including orthodontic), optical, psychological/psychiatric, and pharmaceutical expenses not covered by insurance in the total amount of \$100.00 per child per calendar year (3113.215(A)(12)).
 - (b) The nonresidential parent shall pay the necessary medical, dental (including orthodontic), optical, psychological/psychiatric and pharmaceutical expenses not covered by insurance in the amount exceeding \$100.00 per child per calendar year.
 - (c) The Court expressly reserves jurisdiction to apportion payment of exceptional medical, dental (including orthodontic), optical, psychological/psychiatric and pharmaceutical expenses not covered by insurance upon the motion of either party.
 - (d) A residential parent and legal custodian receiving Public Assistance shall require any and all insurance carriers providing medical, dental, surgical, hospital, optical and/or psychological/psychiatric coverage to pay all claims for the child(ren) before submitting the expenses to the Department of Job and Family Services.
3. The parent obligated to provide insurance coverage shall promptly provide the other parent with insurance cards for all dependents and for all coverages available for the use and benefit of the minor child(ren).

4. The residential parent and legal custodian shall promptly notify the other parent when the total amount of \$100.00 per calendar year for each child has been paid. Said notification shall be in writing and shall contain the name of the medical provider, date, cost and service provider, date, cost and service provided.

5. After the residential parent and legal custodian has paid said expense of \$100.00 per year for a minor child, he or she shall provide to the other parent any and all medical, dental (including orthodontic), optical, psychological/psychiatric and pharmaceutical bills incurred on behalf of the minor child(ren). The nonresidential parent shall either reimburse the residential parent or pay the bill directly to the creditor within fifteen (15) days of receipt of said expense.

6. Each parent shall promptly notify the other of a child's illness or injury when the child is in his or her care. During visitation, the nonresidential parent shall have the child treated for any necessary emergency and shall pay any uninsured expense connected therewith, if required.

7. When it is necessary to incur major medical, dental (including orthodontic), optical, psychological or psychiatric expenses on behalf of a minor child, which the nonresidential parent is obligated to pay, then the residential parent and legal custodian shall immediately notify the other parent before authorizing treatment. The other parent has a right to know the necessity for proposed cost of treatment and proposed payment schedule. The nonresidential parent may also promptly secure an independent evaluation, at his or expense, to determine the necessity for the child's treatment.

8. Both parents shall cooperate in the preparation of insurance forms to obtain reimbursement or payment of said expenses and each parent shall provide a current address to the other.

9. The parent or parents obligated to provide health insurance under this Order shall comply with providing said coverage within thirty (30) days of the date of this Order as set forth in the Health Insurance Order adopted by this Court.


JUDGE KATHLEEN L. GIESLER