



- Amending rule 9.12(3) to allow the amount of cash medical support to be the lesser of the actual cost of the hawk-i premium or the amount calculated under rule 9.12(4).
- Adding a definition for gross monthly income and clarifying the treatment of spousal support in child support calculations with amendments to rule 9.5.
- Striking the child care variance language in rule 9.11(2) and adopting a new rule 9.11A to address specifically the court's ability to vary from the guidelines based on the cost of child care.
- Requiring support orders to include step-down provisions for child support in cases involving multiple children with new rule 9.14(6).

The Committee included appropriate adjustments to applicable chapter 9 grids, and worksheets consistent with its recommendations. The Committee's full report and recommendations are available on the Iowa Judicial Branch website.

Prior to its full consideration, the court solicited public comment on the Committee's report and recommendations. After careful review of the report and recommendations and of the comments received, the court adopts these recommendations as amendments to chapter 9 of the Iowa Court Rules as provided with this order.

The amended rules and revised child support grids and worksheets are effective January 1, 2018.

Dated this 20th day of July, 2017.

The Supreme Court of Iowa

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