
**DCSE Policy & Procedures Unit
Policy Update
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SUBJECT: State of California--Declaration of Paternity

Please contact the Policy Unit if you have any questions regarding these or any other changes at [*DCSE-POLICYQUESTIONS, CSE.POLICY](#) or [\(602\) 274-7951](#).

This Policy Update is being sent to notify all IV-D staff of information the Policy Unit has received from the California IV-D program.

A *Declaration of Paternity* received from the State of California is **not** a valid determination of paternity, unless the declaration has been filed with the California Department of Child Support Services.

Please use the attached form to determine if a *Declaration of Paternity* has been filed with the appropriate office.

Section C of the *Declaration of Paternity* does not have to be completed if the declaration was witnessed by a notary.



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