Two new codes have been added to the Freq (frequency) field on Panel 1 of the Support Order Detail (SUOD) screen. The two codes are:

1. RDT   REDIRECT-CARETAKER/FOSTER CARE
2. STP   STOP CURRENT SUPPORT

This change improves the accuracy of reporting collections for current support on the OCSE 157 report.

A new SUOD entry is required when a new court order is received that stops the current support obligation for an unemancipated child or redirects child support payments to another case due to a change of obligee, i.e., mother to caretaker or to foster care.

The new court order that stops the accrual of current support must be set up on Panel 1 of the SUOD screen on the original case even though the order does not have a current support obligation. Entering a comment Panel 3 without entering the new order will cause an error in reporting current support collections on the OCSE 157 report.

When a court order does not address a current child support obligation, ATLAS allows the frequency field to be populated with one of the following codes:

CNC   CHANGE IN CUSTODY - NO CURRENT
MSO   MEDICAL SUPPORT ONLY
PMS   PAST MEDICAL SUPPORT
QMC   QUALIFIED MEDICAL CHILD SUPPORT
RDT   REDIRECT-CARETAKER/FOSTERCARE
STP   STOP CURRENT SUPPORT

The child support amount on Panel 1 will default to 0.00 when one of the above codes is entered.

This Policy Update applies to new court orders that are added to ATLAS from today forward. Orders that have already been entered on the comments section of Panel 3 will be updated by automation in the near future.

Reminder:

When an order is received that stops the accrual of current support, an ARCA must be done to determine the correct amount of arrears and the debt must be adjusted so that we enforce the correct amount of arrears.

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