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ESTABLISHMENT OF PARENTING PLAN AND/OR CHILD SUPPORT

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- ✓ You have a dependent child or children and you were not married to the other parent;
- ✓ The father has signed and filed an Affidavit of Paternity in Washington State, OR
 - ✓ Paternity has already been established in a court or by a Paternity Affidavit in another State



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HOW TO FILE FOR A PARENTING PLAN AND/OR CHILD SUPPORT CHECKLIST

Use the forms and instructions in this packet only if the following factors apply to your situation:

- ✓ You have a dependent child or children;
- ✓ You were not married to the other parent;
- ✓ The parents are unable to agree on a Parenting Plan and/or a child Support amount for this child or children.

AND

✓ The father has signed and filed an Affidavit of Paternity in Washington State;

OR

✓ An Order determining Paternity was previously filed in a Court action, but no Parenting Plan was provided at that time **AND** it has been more than 24 months since entry of determination **AND** there is no change in custody.

DO NOT USE THIS PACKET IF:

It has been less than 24 months since entry of determination. Please use a Motion and Declaration for Parenting Plan that can be purchased at the Clerk's Office.

There has been a parentage determination and you are seeking a change in custody. Please refer to packet 6-1.

The PARENTS ARE IN COMPLETE AGREEMENT as to the terms of a parenting plan and/or child support do not use this packet. Please refer to packet 10-1A.

The FATHER HAS NOT SIGNED A PATERNITY AFFIDAVIT OR CUSTODY HAS NOT BEEN ESTABLISHED IN A COURT CASE. Please refer to packet 5-1.

READ ME: It is very important for you to know that when you sign a court document, you may be helping or hurting your court case. Before you sign any court document or get involved with a court case, it is important that you carefully read the document to make sure you are doing the right thing. You may also want to contact a lawyer for legal advice and help with those issues you do not understand. If you need help with the forms, procedures and rules of the court, there is a Family Court Facilitator available to assist you.