

Defined term: "County" § 1-101

(C) SINGLE PARENT SERVICES.

"SINGLE PARENT SERVICES" MEANS:

- (1) COUNSELING 1 OR BOTH PARENTS;
- (2) MAKING THE PARENTS AWARE OF THE NEED FOR PRENATAL CARE;
- (3) HELPING IN A DECISION ABOUT PLACEMENT FOR ADOPTION AND EXPLORING THE INVOLVEMENT OF THE NONCUSTODIAL PARENT;
- (4) HELPING PARENTS PREPARE FOR EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING;
- (5) MAKING A REFERRAL TO A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER;
- (6) COUNSELING AND MAKING A REFERRAL FOR COUNSELING FOR CHILD REARING PROBLEMS;
- (7) HELPING MAKE ADEQUATE LIVING ARRANGEMENTS; AND
- (8) EXAMINING ANY ASPECT OF MATERNAL HEALTH, CHILD HEALTH, AND FAMILY PLANNING.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language derived without substantive change from former Article 88A, § 112.

In item (3) of this subsection, "noncustodial" is substituted for the former word "separated", for clarity.

In item (8) of this subsection, "maternal health, child health, and family planning" is substituted for the former language "maternal, child health, and family planning", for clarity.

6-102. LEGISLATIVE POLICY.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY DECLARES THAT:

- (1) SINGLE PARENTS SHOULD HAVE ACCESS TO A COMPREHENSIVE RANGE OF SERVICES TO ENABLE THEM TO MAKE SUITABLE PLANS FOR THE CARE OF THEIR CHILDREN AND THEMSELVES;
- (2) YOUTHS UNDER THE AGE OF 18 YEARS WHO ARE PREGNANT OR WHO ARE PARENTS OF A CHILD FOR WHOM THEY ARE UNPREPARED TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE CARE AND PROTECTION ARE OF SPECIAL CONCERN;
- (3) THIS STATE HAS A CONTINUING INTEREST IN PREVENTING THE PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH TEENAGE PREGNANCY;