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Paternity and parentage establishment

- Emotional stability
- Medical and genealogical information
- Financial benefits
- Reunification



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- Federal mandate to open cases and establish parentage
- Statewide PEP
- IV-D PEP
- Open cases on welfare referrals



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Paternity Establishment

- Paternity Opportunity Program (POP)
- Stipulation
- Judicial Determination
- Genetic Testing



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Parent's financial responsibility for child in their home

- California Family Code § 17552
- Family Reunification Compromise of Arrears



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Parent's financial responsibility for child once removed from home

- Ability to pay
- California child support guideline
- Child support add-ons
- Emancipation
- Arrears