

## *Intro to Child Support Calculations and Iowa Support Master*

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- I. Zoom Instructions
  - a. In the upper right corner of your Zoom screen, you will see a small icon and “View”. Click on “View” then select “Fullscreen”.
  - b. Click “Reactions” at the bottom of the screen to raise your hand.
  - c. Unmute your mic to ask a question. No question is dumb.
  
- II. Introductions
  - a. Mike Alft 610-368-5749 (Math – Taxes – Tech Support)
  - b. Pat Wilson 515-822-0203 (Guidelines – Sales)
  
- III. Update Program – Current Version About Button
  - a. [lowasupportmaster.com](http://lowasupportmaster.com) – Download.
  - b. Download/Reg code always available – share email to office.
  
- IV. Polls
  - a. Position in Office
  - b. Level of Experience with Support Master
  
- V. Prepare a Form 1
  - a. Info Gathering – Guidelines Button.
  - b. Know the Guidelines and Rules.
  - c. Can you explain your results?
  - d. Confidence. Fake your way or know your way.
  - e. Help files and Guides.
  
- VI. Comparing Numbers – Forms
  - a. Are they using Support Master?
  
- VII. Example Cases
  - a. Sample 1 – Low Income – 2 Children
    - i. NCP 12,000
    - ii. CP 36,000
    - iii. Low Income
    - iv. Tax – each will claim 1.

- v. Health Insurance
    - 1. Hawki
    - 2. Title 19
  - vi. Special Ops – Tax Effects
  - vii. Analysis
  - viii. Step-down.
- b. Sample 2 – 3 kids
- i. NCP 72,000
  - ii. CP 36,000
  - iii. NCP has a child by a prior marriage.
  - iv. QAD vs. Pays Support
  - v. Health Insurance Cost \$1,000 @ Month
    - 1. Calculator
    - 2. Unreasonable
    - 3. Push Through
    - 4. Form 1
  - vi. Analysis Page – Who best benefits claiming the kids?
  - vii. Special Ops – Claiming the Kids
  - viii. Step-Down
  - ix. What to do if a party lives/works in South Dakota?
- c. Sample 3 – Spousal Support Feature
- i. NCP 98,000
  - ii. CP 24,000
  - iii. Enter All First – Screen by Screen
  - iv. Spousal Support Feature
    - 1. Click – More Spousal Support Options
    - 2. Enter Numbers - Click
  - v. Google “Illinois Spousal Support 2021”
  - vi. <https://www.equitablemediation.com/blog/illinois-alimony>
- d. Sample 4 - 3 kids – Split Custody
- i. NCP 88,000
  - ii. CP 64,000
  - iii. Oldest and Youngest with Mom
  - iv. Middle with Dad
  - v. Health Insurance No Cost
  - vi. Split Custody Demonstration
  - vii. Step Downs

- e. Sample 5 – 2 kids – IPERS
    - i. NCP operates his own business. Self-Employed
      - 1. Cash Medical – No Insurance?
      - 2. Medical – 252E.1A(b) or (c).
    - ii. CP is a teacher – IPERS – \$62,000 - Other Income
- VIII. Actual Child Care Variance Court Case – Click the “Guidelines” button.
- a. Variance Guidelines Rules
  - b. Variance Rules in Word
  - c. Variance Guide – Step-by-Step for Clients
  - d. ISM Variance Feature Instructions
  - e. Variance Ruling
  - f. IPERS Guide
  - g. QAD Guide
  - h. W-2 Explained