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8/22/2014	Heather	Figueroa	hfigueroa@courts.az.gov	Yes	Yavapai	N/A	N/A	The only change I would request is if the Parenting Time Table tab can be a "required" feature?
8/26/2014	Wendy	Dunn	wdunninaz@cox.net	Yes	Maricopa	Essentially Equal	I receive child support	I am curious as to how the consumer price index really plays into this calculation. The cost of food and gas has increased dramatically. Add to that clothing, shoes, and the cost of health insurance. Decree says we have them 50/50 but in all reality I have had them 100% since February 2014. Family law has failed me in this state, the judge signed off on a decree with black and white mistakes (I was per se.) I feel as though I have no rights being the petitioner and this "no fault" divorce state. This update to child support means nothing in comparison to protecting my kids from an ex who is in contempt of multiple items on the decree and has broken about 3 ARS laws. What we need are family court judges educated in people with NPD and who will upload the laws in relation to family court to where a petitioner doesnt have to jump through hoops to be heard.

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9/3/2014	Torrance	Martin	tmartfreecity@yahoo.com	Yes	Maricopa	Mostly with Mother	I pay child support	The mother of my child has alienated me from my son over 10 years. The child support obligation they set for me is over half of my income. I tried to modify through DES but they send back letters telling me to show proof that I support my children in home and show them birth certificates with mine and my in home child's name on it. This child support leaves me living in poverty. I work full time and still have been left homeless, starving and disoriented. My entire tax return has been extracted from me since I was 23 years old. Arizona child support took my life away from me since I was 23 years old and are relentlessly extracting and placing liens on everything I have. The mother of my son never gave me the opportunity to help care for my son, and lawyers want money that I cannot afford to pay because of the child support payroll extraction in order to get court ordered visits and a modification.
9/4/2014	C	J	cgarera14@gmail.com	Yes	Maricopa	Essentially Equal	N/A	Can you please send me an email address where I can send my comments and suggestions regarding the proposed child support schedule. I was unable to write all of my comments in the provided box. Thank you

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9/4/2014	Justin	Hertel	jhertel@cox.net	Yes	Maricopa	Mostly with Mother	I pay child support	Why are these guidelines always reviewed and modified in secret, without any input from the general public? Why does every modified child support calculator give MORE money to the custodial parent? When do NCPs ever get a break? What has changed to warrant this increase? My ex-wife already gets almost 1,000 a month for ONE child and with this calculator, she will get even more. To add insult to injury, the money I already pay is clearly NOT spent on my child. When I ask to spend more TIME with my child, the courts deem my request unreasonable, but when my ex-wife wants more money, the courts happily hand it over. When are the courts going to make the custodial parents be accountable for how child support is spent?

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9/9/2014	Shebli	Geegieh	shebli.geegieh@gmail.com	Yes	Maricopa	Essentially Equal	I pay child support	In my opinion this new child support is neither fair or just. First of all, it failed to adjust for inflation.for the sake of numbers let us take one parent who use to make 100K in 2011 and 100K in 2014 while the other parent makes "0" in 2011 and "0" in 2014. They have 50%if you put the numbers in the new work sheet the parent in 2014 will pay higher child support. how is the possible when1) Social security taxes increases from 4.2 to 6.2 (in this case \$2000 a month). i.e. the disposable income for the parent in 2014 is less than that in 2011 by 2000.2) The cost of living increased exponentially. it cost much more money to put roof in top of the children. having a house is the more important than food. kids can't live on streets, but they can live with less food.3) the parent who used to make 100K is now having lower standard of living (2000) less in tax, how come the standard of the living for the children increases then? this is mathematically wrong.

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9/9/2014	Shebli	Geegieh	shebli.geegieh@gmail.com	Yes	Maricopa	Essentially Equal	I pay child support	This work sheet failed to distinguish between parents who work under 1099 and those who work under W2, it failed to include the costs required to generate income. For the sake of the argument let us this case both parents makes 100K and they share the kids equally, However, one parent work from home under his own business paid using 1099 forms, while the other parent works for a company under W2 and he is required to travel 100 miles a day to get to work. The first parent under 1099 has the choice to pay or to skip Social security taxes and medicare, while the other parent must pay it. what that means that the parent with W2 gross income is 7% less than the parent on 1099. To add to that, the parent who drives 100 miles a day to work is required to pay extra money for gas, if (s)he doesn't drive to work (s)he will not be able to make income. such cost must be added and treated just like daycare, it must be subtracted from the parent gross income.

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9/13/2014	Jemima	Schmidt	jemimaschmidt@me.com	Yes			I receive child support	I fully support the proposed child support guidelines being reviewed. As a single parent of two who is employed full time my out of pocket costs for childcare medical transportation and school currently far exceed the calculated suport. Please adopt these guidelines they are long over due. Please do not allow the fathers rights groups to strike this down like they did last time. Both fathers of my children do not pay enough child suport ore even the court ordered guideline support commensurate to child support costs.they are banking of my lack of funds to pursue enforcement.

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9/15/2014	Lisa	Gervase	lisagervase@gmail.com	Yes	Maricopa	Mostly with Mother	I receive child support	The current guidelines provide for woefully inadequate support unless the primary parent earns at least \$100,000/year. For any reasonable lifestyle, particularly once children reach the age of being in activities such as music, sports, etc., the absolute minimum support for each child must be \$500/month. There is no way any child can have any reasonable life for less. That should be the starting minimum point, and the support amount should go up from there depending on the guidelines and other relevant factors. The law also should require continued support post high-school for education, medical, etc. for children who continue post-high school education and are not fully independent. In most other areas of life, children are not 'cut off' at age 18 as long as they're in school. Benefits then continue usually to age 23.

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9/16/2014	RONALD	RYAN	ronryanlaw@cox.net	Yes	Pima	Mostly with Mother	I pay child support	I have standard visitation and pay child support for my 17 year old daughter. My issue has to do with the 3 biological children of my 30 year old son. My son goes along with whatever the mother says. I do not get to see the kids and the rules for grandparent visitation do not apply because no parent has disappeared nor does another exception exist. But those kids are being abused, in effect, by not having an ongoing relationship with their grandfather, i.e., me. The law should be changed to account for unreasonable parents whose decisions pertaining to grandparents works substantially to the detriment of the children.

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9/19/2014	Glenn	Halterman	gdh@ellsworthfamilylaw.com	Yes	Maricopa	N/A	N/A	Re: Section 27 of the Child Support Guidelines. The allocation of the dependency exemption should be contingent on an obligor being current on child support AND spousal maintenance. An award of spousal maintenance results in a reduction of the obligor's child support payment. In many cases, the receipt of spousal maintenance is far more important to the recipient to being able to support their children than the actual child support amount. Under the current Guidelines, the obligor can preserve the ability to take the exemption by ensuring that at least the child support obligation continues to be paid, while neglecting the spousal maintenance payments (which may be of far greater importance). This is not equitable. If the right to claim the tax exemption is to be conditioned on the payment of support, ALL support due to the recipient spouse—including spousal maintenance—should be considered. Thank you for your consideration. Glenn D. Halterman, Certified Family Law Specialist.