5-02/110.10 - Parents Refuse to Give Consent

There will be occasions when parents or guardians refuse to give consent due to religious beliefs or other personal reasons. In these cases, when consent is refused, a court order is necessary for medical treatment. In all emergency cases, involving 300 WIC dependent and non-dependent juveniles, 369 and 739(c) and (d) WIC allows a probation officer/social worker to authorize medical treatment upon the recommendation of the treating physician or dentist and notification to the parent or guardian if one can be found. If the parent or guardian objects the order can then only be made by the court.