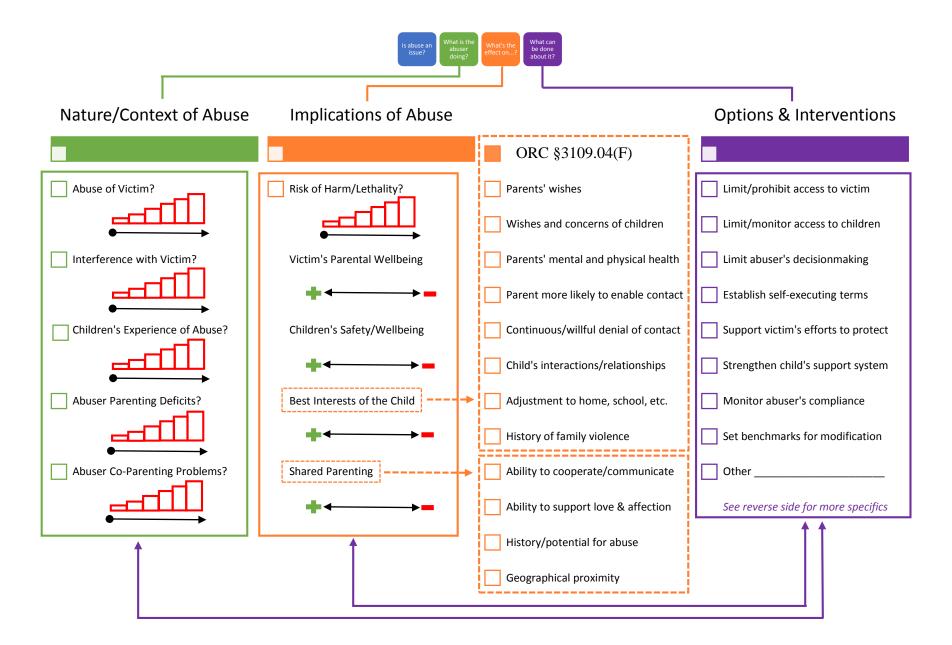


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EXAMPLES OF MORE SPECIFIC OPTIONS & INTERVENTIONS

LIMIT OR MONITOR ABUSIVE PARENT'S ACCESS TO CHILD OR VICTIM PARENT:	LIMIT ABUSIVE PARENT'S RULEMAKING OR DECISION-MAKING AUTHORITY:
• Limit methods of communication (no in-person, telephonic or social media contact)	Grant sole legal custody to victim parent, with or without specified exceptions
• Prescribe frequency and methods of communication (email only, text only, etc.)	Grant parallel legal custody, with or without specified exceptions
• Restrict length and/or content of communication (1-page, 10-minutes, scope, etc.)	Appoint a parenting consultant to confer with abuser on all major decisions
• Limit access to sensitive information (addresses, account numbers, SSNs, records)	Appoint a parenting monitor to oversee and periodically assess abuser's parenting
• Issue and enforce no contact orders and orders for protection	• Limit abuser's ability to dispose of real or personal property or to dissipate assets
 Require neutral exchange locations (school, place of business, etc.) 	Appoint a special master to monitor and effectuate property allocations
• Require third party exchanges (professional, friend, family member, etc.)	• Other:
• Restrict visitation to designated location (grandparent's home, public park, church)	
• Restrict visitation to a geographical area (25-mile radius, in town, state, or country)	
 Condition visitation on having third party present (professional, friend, family) 	
• Restrict what can happen during visitation (no alcohol or drugs, no weapons, etc.)	
• Establish benchmarks for unsupervised access (no abuse, no threats, no violations)	
• Condition access on compliance with established terms (sobriety, BIP, car seat, etc.)	
• Appoint a post-visitation safety monitor to ensure visits are safe and go as planned	
Periodically monitor and conduct risk and danger assessments	
Define consequences for non-compliance with access restrictions	
• Other:	
MONITOR AND ENFORCE ABUSIVE PARENT'S COMPLIANCE WITH PARENTING PLAN:	SUPPORT VICTIM PARENT'S EFFORTS TO PROTECT CHILD:
Conduct review hearings	Link parental decision-making authority to parental responsibility for child's care
Establish schedule for abusive parent to demonstrate compliance with plan	Designate victim parent as the custodian of records
Set automatic consequences for non-compliance with parenting plan	Provide victim parent with information about available community-based resources
Appoint a compliance monitor at abusive parent's cost	Facilitate victim parent's access to available community-based resources
Hold abusive parent accountable for unjustified, unexcused, intentional violations	Establish self-executing parenting plan enforcement mechanisms
• Other:	Allow direct and expedited access to parenting plan enforcement mechanisms
	Establish automatic bill-paying processes for abuser's financial obligations
	Delineate reasonable house rules
	Limit grounds upon which abuser may object to the victim's parenting decisions
	Permit the victim to relocate with the child in accordance with the law
REQUIRE ABUSIVE PARENT TO PARTICIPATE IN REMEDIAL INTERVENTIONS AND/OR SERVICES:	STRENGTHEN CHILD'S SYSTEMS OF SUPPORT:
Refer abusive parent to batterer intervention for assessment and proper services	Ensure that parenting plan accommodates child's interests, activities and supports
Refer abusive parent to parenting after violence for assessment/proper services	Provide sufficient parenting time flexibility to adapt to child's age and social needs
• Other:	Structure parenting time to maintain access to child's support system
	Connect child and victim parent to available community based resources

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