**PARENT / LEGAL GUARDIAN NOTICE**

# NOTICE OF LIMITED NONCONSENT

Request for Written Child Protection Information | IDAHO

Date: [Date] Parent / guardian: [Full name]

Mailing address: [Street, city, state, ZIP] Contact (optional): [Email / phone]

To: Idaho Department of Health and Welfare (DHW), Child Welfare — [Office / worker]

Re: [Child initials / reference number]

To the child protection investigator and supervisor:

Idaho Code § 16-1649 requires certain written parental-rights notices after an investigator first meets directly and in person with a parent or custodian. Please provide the prescribed form and document any rights I assert.

## NOTICE REGARDING VOLUNTARY CONSENT

I do not give blanket advance consent to voluntary interviews of me, consensual nonemergency entry or searches, optional adult testing or evaluations, blanket releases of confidential records, or proposed voluntary services and safety plans. I will consider each request individually, including after consulting counsel. This notice does not prohibit a lawful child interview, emergency action, or valid court order.

## STATE-SPECIFIC LIMITATIONS AND RIGHTS

- Idaho Code § 16-1649 permits the parent/custodian to refuse questions, consult privately retained counsel, refuse entry to the home or other real property, and refuse questioning of minor children IN THE HOME/ON THE PROPERTY absent qualifying judicial authority. This does not establish a blanket veto over school interviews.
- DHW must provide its prescribed written § 16-1649 rights notice at the first direct, in-person parent/custodian contact or within 72 hours. Failure to give that notice does not itself void an investigation. DHW can seek law enforcement assistance or court authority if safety cannot be determined.

## PLEASE PROVIDE IN WRITING

- The department-prescribed written § 16-1649 notice with its delivery date/method, worker/supervisor contacts, case number and disclosable allegations (not the reporter's confidential identity).
- Identification of each proposed home visit, adult interview, examination, records request, service, or safety plan and whether it relies on consent, statute, or a court order.
- Written assessment findings, lawfully available records and appeal instructions for any substantiated decision. DHW describes a written request followed by a redacted assessment and a 14-day period to provide additional material at one review step; ask for the exact applicable filing deadline and subsequent hearing rights in writing.

Please place this notice in the agency record and acknowledge receipt. Routine, nonurgent requests may be delivered in writing; urgent child-safety concerns can be communicated promptly.

Parent / guardian signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed name: _____

**LEGAL REFERENCES: Idaho Code § 16-1649(1)-(5); Idaho DHW "For Parents" and "About the Idaho Child Protection Central Registry" agency guidance; U.S. Const. amend. IV.**

**CAUTION: A statutory right to refuse certain consent is not a command to stop a lawful investigation. The 14-day additional-evidence period is not a substitute for the initial request deadline. Verify the current notice and obtain legal advice.**

**IMPORTANT - NO APPEAL FILED:** This notice does not file an appeal, hearing request, grievance, or court petition; it does not pause any deadline. Follow the case-specific notice and filing instructions.