PARENT / LEGAL GUARDIAN NOTICE

NOTICE OF LIMITED NONCONSENT

Request for Written Child Welfare Information | PENNSYLVANIA

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

Address: [Mailing address] Email / phone (optional): [Contact details]

To: [County] Children and Youth Services (CYS) — [Local office / assigned worker]

Re: [Child(ren) initials or case / assessment number]

To the assigned worker and supervisor:

I am the parent/legal guardian named above. Please distinguish any Child Protective Services (CPS) investigation from a General Protective Services (GPS) assessment and accurately record my choices about voluntary consent.

NOTICE CONCERNING VOLUNTARY CONSENT

I do not provide blanket advance consent for voluntary interviews of me, nonemergency home entry or search based solely on consent, optional adult testing or evaluations, confidential records releases, or voluntary services or safety plans. I request the legal basis for any action identified as compulsory. This does not invalidate court orders, authorized child interviews or emergency authority.

PLEASE PROVIDE IN WRITING

- Caseworker and supervisor contacts, reference number, CPS/GPS designation, any parent guide, available allegations and lawfully disclosable records.
- For a CPS interview subject other than an alleged child victim, the oral rights information required before interview under 23 Pa.C.S. § 6368(l), including the right to an attorney present. Written rights notice generally follows within 72 HOURS of oral notice, subject to the permitted delays in § 6368(m).
- Any proposed service agreement, testing, interview, home visit or safety plan, stating what is voluntary and the legal basis for anything mandatory.

CPS AND GPS APPEALS ARE DIFFERENT

- For an INDICATED CPS report, 23 Pa.C.S. § 6341(a)(2) generally allows an eligible person 90 DAYS after notification of report status to request review or appeal/hearing. If the secretary refuses review, § 6341(c) provides a separate 90-day hearing-request period after notice of that decision.
- For a GPS decision accepting a family for services, § 3490.241(c) requires an initial appeal to be RECEIVED within 45 CALENDAR DAYS of the DATE OF THE LETTER; § 3490.234(b)(3) describes 45 days from the MAILING DATE. File promptly and preserve the envelope. If the county denies the appeal, § 3490.241(d) sets a separate 45-day period from the denial-letter date to request a hearing.

Please place this notice in the relevant agency record, confirm receipt in writing, and direct nonurgent correspondence to the contact information above. I reserve my rights while recognizing lawful child-protection authority.

Sincerely, _____ Date: _____

Printed name: _____

LEGAL REFERENCES: 23 Pa.C.S. §§ 6341 and 6368(l); 55 Pa. Code §§ 3490.234 and 3490.241.

IMPORTANT: This letter itself appeals neither a CPS indicated report nor GPS acceptance of services. Preserve the notice, envelope and proof of filing; check both GPS date descriptions and consult Pennsylvania counsel. Court-approved service-plan terms cannot be changed through this GPS appeal.

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.