CHILD SUPPORT DIRECT DEPOSIT

-AUTHORIZATION AGREEMENT-

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

INSTRUCTIONS

Complete this form to sign up for Direct Deposit of your child support payments, or to request a change regarding a previously initiated Direct Deposit authorization. Please read the back of this form before completing it. The signed, completed form must be returned to the **New Hampshire Bureau of Finance – Child Support Unit** at the address provided on the reverse side of this form.

You must keep the New Hampshire Division of Child Support Services informed of any address changes in order to ensure uninterrupted direct deposit of your child support payments.

TYPE OF REQUEST	
☐ Initial Direct Deposit Enrollment	
☐ Change of Direct Deposit Financial Institution	
NAME OF PAYEE (Last, First, Middle Initial)	TELEPHONE NUMBER
CURRENT MAILING ADDRESS (Street, P.O. Box)	Area Code
	SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (For Identification Purposes Only)
CITY STATE ZIP	
TYPE OF DEPOSITOR ACCOUNT	
☐ Checking ☐ Savings	
DEPOSITOR ACCOUNT NUMBER	
BANK ROUTING NUMBER CHECK DIGIT	
NOTE: You must enter both the account number of the account you wish to have your payments deposited in, <i>and the routing number of your bank</i> , in the spaces provided above. Please take care to ensure that the account number and bank routing number that you enter are accurate. If your account number or bank routing number are not correct, your payments will not be deposited into your account. If you do not know your account number or your bank's routing number, contact your bank.	
IMPORTANT: If you choose to have your payments deposited into a checking account, you must enclose a preprinted blank check with the word "VOID" written across the check, along with the completed form.	
PAYEE CERTIFICATION	JOINT ACCOUNT HOLDER'S CERTIFICATION (Optional)
I certify that I have read and understood the information on the back of this form (or on page two, if you printed the form from the internet). In signing this form, I authorize my child support payment to be sent to the designated account. I also authorize the Department of Health & Human Services to adjust any deposit made in error and to deduct the amount of the error from my account or future payments.	I certify that I have read and understand the back of this form, including the Special Notice to Joint Account Holders.
If applicable, please update DCSS records with the address I provide above and direct all future correspondence there, until I direct otherwise.	SIGNATURE DATE
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DIRECT DEPOSIT



- FASTER AND EASIER ACCESS TO YOUR CHILD SUPPORT
- NO MORE LOST OR STOLEN CHECKS
- NO MORE LONG BANK LINES

WHAT IS DIRECT DEPOSIT?

Direct deposit is also known as electronic funds transfer (EFT). As a recipient of Child Support services you can authorize the New Hampshire Department of Health & Human Services (Department) to deposit your child support payments directly into your account.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

When a payment is posted to your child support case, the Department electronically tells your bank to credit your account. In most instances, the payment will be received at your bank within two business days after DHHS disburses the payment.

HOW DO I SIGN UP FOR DIRECT DEPOSIT?

To ensure that <u>only</u> authorized individuals see your account information, please complete the authorization agreement on the reverse side according to directions and *personally* mail the <u>original form</u> to the *New Hampshire Bureau of Finance - Child Support Unit* at the following address:

Department of Health & Human Services
Bureau of Finance - Child Support Unit (DDP)
129 Pleasant St
Concord NH 03301-3857

The information on the back of this form will be used to process payment data from the Department of Health & Human Services to your financial institution and/or its agent. Failure to provide the requested information may affect the processing of this form and may delay or prevent the receipt of payments through the Direct Deposit Program.

ACCESS TO ACCOUNT

Once the direct deposit is electronically completed, any questions regarding access to the funds are between the payee and the financial institution. All inquiries and liabilities regarding access to funds must be addressed to the financial institution.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO JOINT ACCOUNT HOLDERS

Joint account holders should immediately advise both the Department of Health & Human Services and the financial institution of the death of an account holder. Funds deposited after the date of death or ineligibility of the Child Support payee must be returned to the Department of Health & Human Services. Each joint account holder hereby irrevocably directs the financial institution, upon notice and request of the Department of Health & Human Services, to return such funds to the Department of Health & Human Services. The financial institution will be held harmless by the Department of Health & Human Services for any claim arising in connection with this procedure.

CANCELLATION

The agreement represented by this authorization remains in effect until cancelled by the recipient by written notice to the Department of Health & Human Services or by death or legal incapacity of the recipient. Upon cancellation by the recipient, the recipient should notify the receiving financial institution that she/he is doing so. The agreement is deemed to be cancelled upon the closing of the account in the financial institution.

The agreement represented by this authorization may be cancelled by the financial institution by providing the payee a written notice *postmarked* 30 days in advance of the cancellation date to the address listed on the account. The payee must *immediately* advise the Department of Health & Human Services if direct deposit is to be cancelled by the financial institution. The financial institution cannot cancel the authorization solely by advice to the Department of Health & Human Services.

CHANGING RECEIVING FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

The payee's direct deposit will continue to be received by the selected financial institution until cancelled in writing as provided above, or until the Department of Health & Human Services and the financial institution are notified by the payee (in writing) that the payee wishes to change the financial institution that is receiving direct deposit. In addition, the payee will complete a new copy of this form with the newly selected financial institution. It is recommended that the payee maintain both accounts at both financial institutions until the transition is complete, in effect, after the new financial institution received the payee's first direct deposit payment.

FALSE STATEMENTS OR FRAUDULENT CLAIMS

State law provides a fine of not more than \$2,000 or imprisonment for not more than one (1) year or both for giving false information in connection with making a written or electronic false statement that the party does not believe to be true (NH RSA 651:2 and 641:3).