

# FIRST 5 SAN JOAQUIN CLIENT CONSENT FORM

**The following text is the format recommended for all Agencies funded by First 5 San Joaquin to use as their Client Consent Form on their agency letterhead:**

I agree to participate in those services funded by the First 5 San Joaquin offered to me and my child(ren) named below.

I understand that The Children and Families Commission (**First 5 San Joaquin**) has entered into a Standard Agreement with **Agency XX** and that the services provided under that Agreement might include the care I receive from **Agency XX**.

First 5 San Joaquin and First 5 California evaluators and staff will use my information, without names or other identifying information, to learn what activities and programs are most useful for children and families. This information will help First 5 California learn how programs can help children be ready to learn and do well in school. Taking part in this evaluation involves very little risk to my family or me.

### **Confidentiality Policy**

The Children and Families Act of 1998 in the Health and Safety Code Section 130140.1 (e) provides:

(1) Individually identifiable physical or mental health information, substance abuse information, child care or education information, personnel or employment information, financial information, criminal justice information, or demographic information, regarding a child or child's parent, legal guardian, or other family member, that is provided to county commission by parent, legal guardian, family member, health care provider, health plan, public health authority, school, law enforcement agency, social services agency, probation agency or any other source, shall be considered confidential, and may be disclosed only to person, agency or entity that receives funding from the county commission, by way of a grant award or contract or as a service provider for the provision of early childhood services, and only to the extent necessary to the provision of services, unless further disclosure is authorized by a written consent of the parent or legal guardian, or where disclosure is authorized by a written consent of the parent or legal guardian, or where disclosure is required by state or federal law.

(2) Confidential information identified in accordance with this section shall not be subject to disclosure under the California Public Records Act (Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 6250 of Division 7 of Title 1 of Government Code. State and federal laws protect the personal and health information I share even if the Federal Privacy Rule does not do so.

Any violation of The Confidentially Policy that involves Clients confidentiality information and records may be grounds for contract termination and may expose the violator to civic or criminal penalties. **I understand that all services provided will remain confidential, and in the situations where confidentially cannot be honored, I have been informed of those situations.**

I agree to participate in those services funded by the First 5 San Joaquin offered to me and my child(ren) named below.

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Childs Name

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Childs Name

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Childs Name

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Childs Name

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Client Signature

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Authorizing Signatory's Relationship to Child

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Date

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Signature of Interpreter