## Child Action, Inc.

**Client Services** 

## **Parent Fee Information Sheet**

Date:			
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Dear Parent:

You are required to pay a portion of your child care costs, which is referred to as the parent fee. Parent fee amounts are established by the State of California and determined by the family's gross monthly income, the family size, and whether the child is enrolled for full time (130 hours or more per month) or part time (less than 130 hours per month) care as defined by the California Department of Education.

- ➤ Parent fees are billed according to the child who uses the most hours in a month, regardless of how many children in the family are on Child Action, Inc.'s program. Please refer to your most recent Notice of Action for your current monthly parent fee amount and the effective date of that fee.
- ➤ Parent fees are billed and collected in advance of service. Bills are mailed monthly during the week of the 15<sup>th</sup> for the following month's services. Each bill will state the monthly fee for which you are being billed.
- ➤ Parent fees are billed based on an estimate of the number of hours of care to be used in the upcoming month. If you have a variable schedule, parent fees are billed based on the maximum number of hours the child is scheduled for care during the upcoming month.
- The entire balance stated on the bill is due on the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month and is considered delinquent if not received in full by our Fiscal office by the 7<sup>th</sup> of the month. A termination notice will be issued for all delinquent fees. For your convenience, a copy of the parent fee policies and rules are on the back of every parent fee bill.
- ➤ If you receive a delinquent parent fee notice, you may request a reasonable Delinquent Fee Repayment Plan prior to your termination effective date to allow you to avoid termination from the program. Please note, however, that to remain on the program you must pay your current fees when due and comply with the provisions of your repayment plan (which means that you must never be late with either your current parent fee or the payment on your repayment plan).

In this example the parent owed \$100 by January 1<sup>st</sup> but was unable to pay and requested a Repayment Plan of \$20 per month to pay the January bill. The following shows the payments that the parent would have to make to avoid termination from the program.

	January	February	March	April	May	June
Current bill due by 1st	\$100	\$100	\$100	\$75 (schedule changed)	\$75	\$0 (no fee)
Repayment Plan		\$20	\$20	\$20	\$20	\$20
Payment due by 1 <sup>st</sup>		\$120	\$120	\$95	\$95	\$20

If you have any questions regarding your parent fee bill, contact a Parent Fee Accounting Specialists:

- Long Xiong at (916) 369-3235
- Mike Murdock at (916) 369-4472

Questions regarding your income calculation and days of enrollment should be directed to your case manager.

## Sample Parent Fee Billing Statement

CHILD ACTION, INC.

DATE
06/14/14
PARENT FEE NO.
PF111230

PARENT NAME
PARENT ADDRESS
CITY, STATE ZIP

\$ \_\_\_\_\_AMOUNT ENCLOSED

Page 1 of 1 **Balance from** previous billing PLEASE DETACH AND RETURN THIS PORTION WITH YOUR PAYMENT **BALANCE** REF. NO. DATE BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD 21.00 42.00 127873 05/17/14 Invoice MAY 2014 - IN PT @ \$21.00 21.00 128220 05/17/14 Invoice JUN 2014 - IN FT @ \$42.00 42.00 84.00 **Current Parent Fee billing amount,** indicating the monthly parent fee rate. **Total amount** due by the 1st of the month. 84.00 BALANCE DUE CHILD ACTION, INC. Current 1 to 30 31 to 60 61 to 90 Over 90 OFFICE USE ONLY 84.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00