

## **ELECTRONIC SUPERVISION**

Electronic supervision refers to the use of live video instead of in-person parent – child supervision. It is intended to be an alternative, temporary option to maintain the parent – child relationship when face-to-face sessions are not suitable or possible. This type of supervision may be recommended by the Director of the Family Resource Center, another professional, or through a Court order or other agreement. Electronic supervision is facilitated by a Family Resource Center supervisor who will utilize the Zoom video conferencing software to conduct the supervised sessions between a parent and child(ren). Electronic supervision will be conducted by licensed therapists, registered interns or student interns. Court orders or other agreements for supervised sessions must be provided to assure the compliance responsibilities of all parties. Court orders or agreements recommending electronic supervision for a case will be reviewed by the Director prior to the commencement of services to assure the supervision can be appropriately provided within the parameters of the Family Resource Center's policies and procedures. The presence of a parent or guardian, or other persons with the child during an electronic supervised session may be determined by the Court or other agreement; otherwise it shall be at the discretion of the Director of the Family Resource Center.

## CONSENT TO USE ELECTRONIC SUPERVISION SERVICES

- 1. The supervised and the non-supervised parents shall sign the required consent forms when electronic supervision is to occur.
- 2. Supervision sessions may NOT be recorded in any way (audio or visual) by anyone other than a staff member of the FRC. If the supervisor learns that any part of a session was recorded, it will be identified as a critical incident and be reported to the all parties, their attorneys, and the Court.
- Participants in the electronic supervised sessions shall be limited to those persons approved in the court order for the in-person supervision sessions. Additional individuals shall be permitted to participate in the electronic supervised sessions under the following conditions:

   Court order, or (2) agreement of the parties, or (3) the knowledge and consent of the Director of the Family Resource Center.
- 4. The regular fees for supervision services shall apply. Fees for a session shall be paid at least 24 hours in advance of an electronic session.
- 5. E-mail correspondence is permitted ONLY to facilitate scheduling of electronic supervised sessions.

- 6. If an emergency situation arises during an electronic supervision session, the non-supervised parent shall be notified immediately by the supervisor. The supervisor may terminate an electronic session for the same reasons as an in-person session as defined in the Family Resource Center's policies and procedures. If an electronic session is terminated, the parents shall be notified of the decision and the reason for the termination.
- 7. The Family Resource Center is utilizing a HIPPA compliant program in Zoom. The parents and participants acknowledge that there may be electronic security risks associated with conducting electronic supervised sessions. Participants assume those risks and agree to utilize the electronic format at this time. The Family Resource Center is released from any liability that may occur with regards to electronic sessions.

## By signing this form, I certify:

- I have read or had this form read to me.
- I understand and agree to electronic supervision in place of in-person supervised parenting time.
- I have been given the opportunity to ask questions and to have my questions answered to my satisfaction.

Parent Signature	
□ supervised parent	non-supervised parent

Signature of Family Resource Center Director

Date

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