

# STATE OF COLORADO

COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

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Re: Child Support Enforcement Data Match

On August 22, 1996, Public Law 104-193, the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (more commonly known as Welfare Reform), was signed into law. One provision of this act requires agreements between state child support agencies and financial institutions to conduct a data match between financial institution account holders and persons owing past-due child support. A second provision of the law requires the development and operation of a data match program in which financial institutions provide information on a quarterly basis in an automated fashion to the Colorado Division of Child Support Enforcement (CSE). This information is used to locate assets of persons owing past-due child support, which the CSE program may then attach.

Colorado is a member of a 15-state alliance, which has contracted with Informatix, Inc. to perform data match services. The alliance has designed a data match program that will be simple and efficient for all participants.

Enclosed are the following reference materials for the Financial Institution Data Match:

- **Financial Institution Data Match Brochure:** This brochure outlines general information about the program and its processes. It also contains information regarding the Colorado FIDM Alliance website and hotline where supplementary information may be obtained and additional forms may be downloaded.

- **Financial Data Match Specifications Handbook:** This handbook is prepared by the Federal Office of Child Support Enforcement and contains the required technical information needed for the data match.
- **Notice of Lien and Levy:** This notice is an example of the document the Division will use to attach assets of account holders.
- **Information Meetings:** The meetings will be conducted by Tier Technologies at different locations around the state. You and your staff are invited to attend any of these meetings.
- **Financial Institution Data Match Agreement:** This document outlines the purpose and terms of the process, including your company's choice of media type for the data exchange.

**Please have the appropriate person in your company sign the agreement and return to:**

**Colorado Division of Child Support Enforcement  
Attn: LeAnn Anderson  
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The Colorado Child Support Enforcement Program appreciates your involvement in this worthwhile cause and looks forward to the successful implementation of a process that will greatly benefit the children of Colorado. Should you have questions, please access the Colorado FIDM Alliance website at <http://fidm.statedatamatch.com> or call the FIDM Hotline at 877-965-FIDM (3436). If you have additional questions, you may contact LeAnn Anderson at 720-947-5018.

Sincerely,

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Colorado Division of Child Support Enforcement