

**Elkhart and St. Joseph Counties Head Start Consortium**  
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RIGHT TO REFUSE SERVICES

As the legal parent(s)/guardian of a minor child you have the right to refuse all services or a particular service for your child unless it is court ordered or an emergency situation. It is the responsibility of Elkhart and St. Joseph Counties Head Start Consortium to inform you of this and to explain that your child's issue(s) may get worse or not show any improvement without further services.

You may also refuse to have your child filmed or audio taped without written permission.

If your child is causing physical harm to him/herself or others in the classroom setting, the Head Start program may not be able to continue serving your child if you refuse treatment. A child who is not a physical danger to him/herself or others will not be required to leave the program upon refusing treatment.

Your signature on this form indicates the above issues were discussed with you by Head Start personnel and you understood your rights and the possible consequences of refusing services.

Please mark Services Refused:

Educational: \_\_\_\_\_ Mental Health: \_\_\_\_\_ Health Services: \_\_\_\_\_

SAT: \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Site: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Services Refused:

Head Start Staff Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Head Start Manager/Site Supervisor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_