## NOVATO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

# **CAREGIVER'S AUTHORIZATION AFFIDAVIT**

(Use of this affidavit is authorized by Part 1.5 (commencing with section 6552) of Division Eleven (11) of the California Family Code)

#### **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Completion of items 1-4 on this form with signature is sufficient to authorize enrollment of a minor in school and to authorize school-related medical care.
- Completion of items 5-8 is required to authorize any other medical care.

## PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY =

The minor named below lives in my home and I am 18 years of age or older:

- 1. Name of minor:
- Minor's birth date: 2.

My name (adult giving authorization): 3.

- 4. My home address:
- 5. I am a grandparent, aunt, uncle, or other qualified relative of the minor (see back of form for definition of "qualified relative") 🗖 YES **NO**
- 6. Check one or both (for example, if one parent was advised and the other cannot be located):
  - $\Box$  I have advised the parent(s) or other person(s) having legal custody of the minor of my intent to authorize medical care with no objection
  - $\Box$  I am unable to contact the parent(s) or other person(s) having legal custody of the minor at this time to notify them of my intended authorization.
- 7. My birth date:
- 8. My California driver's license or identification card number:

#### WARNING

DO NOT SIGN THIS FORM IF ANY OF THE STATEMENTS ABOVE ARE INCORRECT OR YOU WILL BE COMMITTING A CRIME PUNISHABLE BY A FINE, IMPRISONMENT, OR BOTH

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct:

## Notices:

- 1. This declaration does not affect the rights of the minor's parents or legal guardian regarding the care, custody, and control of the minor, and does not mean that the caregiver has legal custody of the minor.
- 2. The decision of a caregiver to consent to or refuse medical or dental care for a minor shall be superseded by any contravening decision of the parent of other person having legal custody of the minor, provided the decision of the parent or other person having legal custody of the minor does not jeopardize the life, health or safety of the minor.
- 3. No person who acts in good faith reliance on a caregiver's authorization affidavit to provide medical or dental care, without actual knowledge of facts contrary to those stated on the affidavit, is subject to criminal liability or to civil liability to any person, or is subject to professional disciplinary action, for such reliance if the applicable portions of the affidavit are completed.

This subdivision shall apply even if medical or dental care is provided to a minor in contravention of the wishes of the parent or other person having legal custody of the minor as long as the person providing the medical or dental care has no actual knowledge of the wishes of the parent or other person having legal custody of the minor.

- 4. A person who relies on this affidavit has no obligation to make any further inquiry or investigation.
- 5. The affidavit may be reviewed annually.

## To Caregivers:

- 1. "Qualified relative", for purposes of item 5, means a spouse, parent, stepparent, brother, sister, stepbrother, stepsister, half brother, half sister, uncle, aunt, niece, nephew, first cousin, or any person denoted by the prefix "grand" or "great", or the spouse of any of the persons specified in this definition, even after the marriage has been terminated by death or dissolution.
- 2. "School-related medical care" means medical care that is required by state or local governmental authority as a condition for school enrollment, including immunizations, physical examinations, and medical examinations conducted in school for pupils.
- 3. The law may require you, if you are not a relative or a currently licensed, certified, or approved foster parent, to obtain a foster home license in order to care for a minor. If you have any questions, please contact your local department of social services.
- 4. If the minor stops living with you, you are required to notify any school, health care provider, or health care service plan to which you have given this affidavit. The affidavit is invalid after the school, heath care provider, or health care service plan receives notice that the minor no longer lives with you.
- 5. Districts cannot deny enrollment on the basis of citizenship or immigration.

## To School Officials:

- 1. Section 48204 of the Education Code provides that this affidavit constitutes a sufficient basis for determination of residency of the minor, without the requirement of a guardianship or other custody order, unless the school district determines from actual facts that the minor is not living with the caregiver.
- 2. The school district may require additional reasonable evidence that the caregiver lives at the address provided in item 4.

## To Health Care Providers and Health Care Service Plans:

- 1. A person who acts in good faith reliance upon a caregiver's authorization affidavit to provide medical or dental care, without actual knowledge of facts contrary to those stated on the affidavit, is not subject to criminal liability or to civil liability to any person, and is not subject to professional disciplinary action for that reliance if the applicable portions of the form are completed.
- 2. This affidavit does not confer dependency for health care coverage purposes (Amended by Stats. 2016, Ch. 895, Sec. 13.)