Diversion Agreement Form
Agreement of Mutual Responsibility

Client Name	Co/Record #

The CAO is responsible to:

- Compare the difference between TANF and Diversion so you can make the best choice for your family.

- Explain and offer programs and services available at the county assistance office.

- Explain job search and other employment services are available to you at no cost at your local CareerLink and online at JobGateway™ www.jobgateway.pa.gov.

- Recommend the following Community Service agencies that offer services to address your needs:

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YOU are responsible to:

- Explain and provide verification of your short-term financial need and explain how you plan to support your family without applying for ongoing cash assistance.

- Use the Diversion payment for the financial need(s) that you presented in your application for Diversion.

Acknowledgments:

The Diversion Program has been explained to me, and I understand that if I am determined to be eligible for Diversion, I choose to receive a Diversion benefit rather than ongoing cash assistance at this time for the period (not to exceed three months) specified in the eligibility notice the Department of Public Welfare sends me. By making this choice, I realize that:

- I may not receive cash assistance during the period covered by a Diversion benefit.

- I may not receive another Diversion benefit for 12 months from the date a Diversion benefit is authorized. This date will be indicated on the Notice of Eligibility.

- I may keep any child support received during the Diversion benefit period.

- I may not receive employment and training services or special allowances for employment, education or training during the period covered by a diversion benefit.

- I may qualify for child care assistance without being put on a waiting list if I participate in work activities for at least 20 hours/week – with at least 10 of the 20 hours from employment.

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Client Signature   Date   CAO Representative Signature   Date