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To: Baby Bonus Approved Persons/Approved Institutions

Dear Sir/Madam,

UPDATED TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR BABY BONUS APPROVED PERSONS / APPROVED INSTITUTIONS

Aim

This circular informs all Baby Bonus Approved Persons (“AP”) of early childhood developmental centres¹ (ECDCs) and preschools², that are Baby Bonus Approved Institutions (“AI”) under the Child Development Co-Savings Act (CDCA), the Child Development Co-Savings Regulations (CDCR) and the AP/AI Terms and Conditions (collectively, “Relevant Legislation and Conditions”), on the updated AP/AI Terms and Conditions that will be effective from 1 May 2025.

Updated Baby Bonus AP/AI Terms and Conditions

2 On 10 March 2025, the Ministry of Social and Family Development (“MSF”) announced that the use of Child Development Account (CDA) will be expanded to cover all incidental charges at ECDCs and preschools with effect from 1 May 2025. The CDCR and AP/AI Terms and Conditions have been amended accordingly and the updated Terms and Conditions can be found [here](#).

3 We have also attached the [updated infographic](#) for your reference and dissemination to parents for their information.

Reminder on Correct CDA Uses

4 MSF would like to remind APs/AIs that CDA moneys are to be used strictly for the benefit of the CDA member or his/her siblings, for the following uses:

- a) Basic fees and approved incidental charges listed in Annex and Appendix 1 of the AP/AI Terms and Conditions only.
- b) Refunds for payment made from the CDA must be credited back into the CDA via (a) the AI’s corporate bank account registered with MSF, using Interbank GIRO, or (b) the AI Portal, using the “Refund to CDA” service.

¹ Licensed by the Early Childhood Development Agency (ECDA)

² These refer to the following categories:

- (a) Ministry of Education (MOE) Kindergarten (MKs) or MOE Kindergarten Care (KCare); and
- (b) Preschool services offered by Private Education Institutions registered with Committee for Private Education (CPE).

5 CDA moneys cannot be used for non-approved expenses, which include, but are not limited to, administrative fees (e.g. bank processing fee or late penalty fee) or parents' participation in school activities, such as excursions. MSF will continue to perform routine audits on CDA transactions and may take actions against an AP/AI should we discover any potential breach of the Relevant Legislation and Conditions.

6 For clarifications on the contents of this circular, please direct your queries to MSF_Babybonus@msf.gov.sg.

Regards,

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