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Important Update:

The IRS finished processing refunds to all current spouses whose portion of the Economic Impact Payment (EIP) payment was withheld for past due child support in Tennessee. As a result, the TDHS Child Support Program will release the remaining amount of the joint refunds on December 18, 2020.

(Posted November 3, 2020) Economic Impact Payment (EIP, also known as Stimulus payment) Update – Joint Hold Extended

The Tennessee Department of Human Services was notified by the Federal Office of Child Support Enforcement (OCSE) that the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) will issue payments to all current spouses whose portion of the EIP/stimulus payment was offset for past due child support. In an effort to reduce the negative impact to custodial parents who are required to repay collections received in error, the Federal OCSE has extended the standard six-month hold placed on all jointly filed federal tax refund offsets and EIP's until December 31, 2020.

We share concern for any inconvenience this extension may cause to your family. The Child Support Program will continue to monitor this issue for further updates.

Additional information regarding the IRS processing of EIP payments can be found on their website:

<https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus/economic-impact-payment-information-center>