

WhoisXML API Now Supports Parent-Child API Keys

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We're excited to announce a new feature designed to enhance security and control within your organization while using WhoisXML API products—parent-child API keys. This feature allows account administrators to create and manage individual API keys for different members on their team.

The parent-child API key feature is available for enterprise users only. Please [contact us](#) to check your eligibility or if you are an enterprise user and want to turn this feature on.

How Can This Feature Help You?

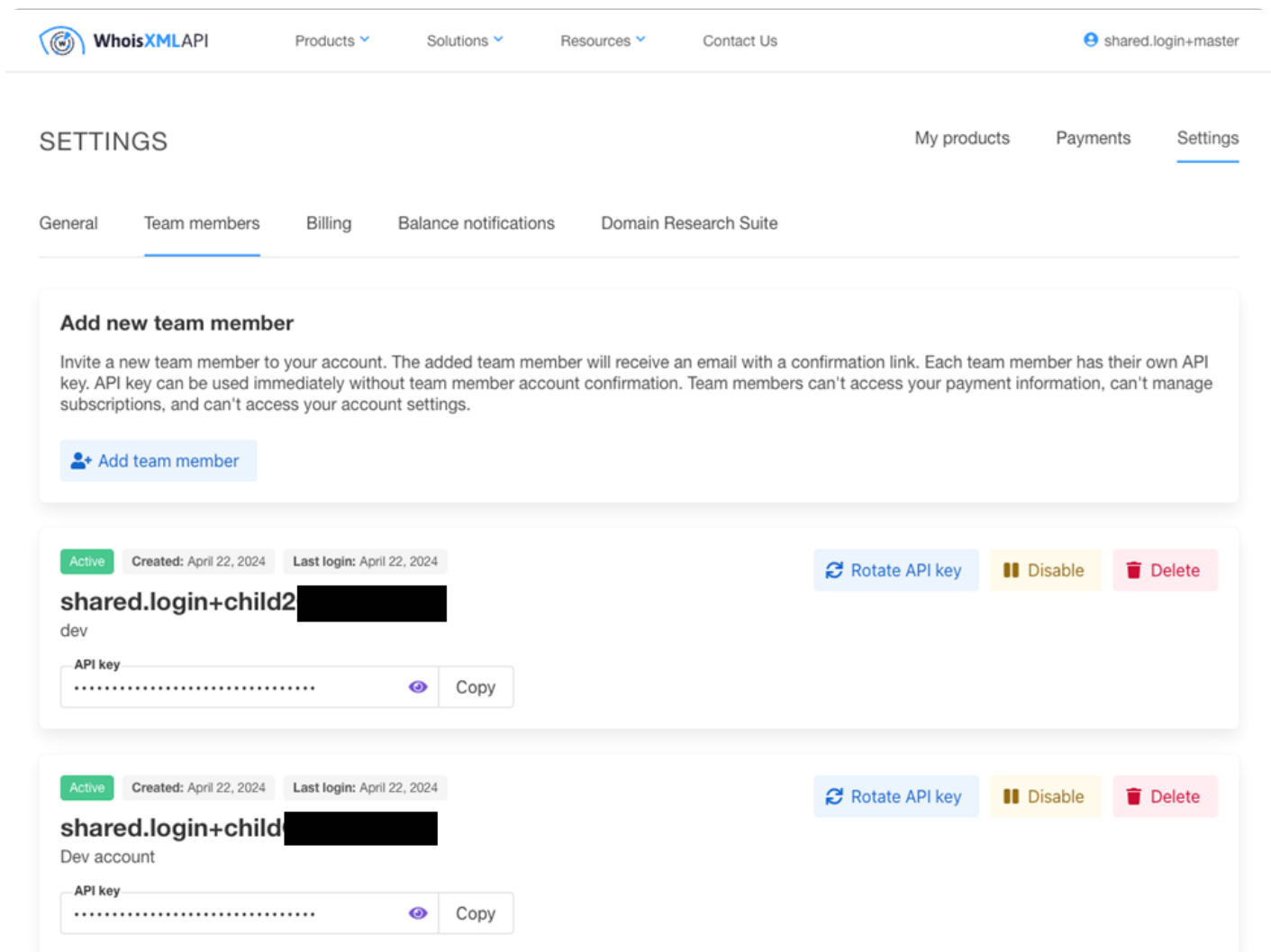
Being able to set up API keys for team members can benefit organizations by providing the following:

- **Centralized control:** The parent-child API key feature will enable administrators to gain centralized control over API usage for better access management. Administrators can also disable and delete child accounts when necessary.
- **Hardened security:** Child accounts have restricted permissions compared to parent accounts, ensuring that only authorized users have access to sensitive information or can make critical changes to subscriptions.

How to Create a Child User Account

Once the feature is enabled for an account, follow these steps to create a child user account.

- Log in to your account and go to the **Team members** tab.
- Click **Add team member**. The administrator will be asked to enter the team member's email address. Note that the email address must not be associated with any existing WhoisXML API account.



The screenshot shows the WhoisXMLAPI user interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the logo, 'Products', 'Solutions', 'Resources', and 'Contact Us' menus, and a user profile 'shared.login+master'. Below this is a 'SETTINGS' section with tabs for 'My products', 'Payments', and 'Settings'. Under 'Settings', there are sub-tabs for 'General', 'Team members', 'Billing', 'Balance notifications', and 'Domain Research Suite'. The 'Team members' tab is active, showing a section titled 'Add new team member' with a description and an 'Add team member' button. Below this, two team member cards are displayed. Each card shows the member's name (e.g., 'shared.login+child2'), role (e.g., 'dev'), status ('Active'), creation date, and last login date. Action buttons for 'Rotate API key', 'Disable', and 'Delete' are present. The API key is shown in a masked field with a 'Copy' button.

- The child account email address will receive an email invitation and a link to confirm the account and accept the invitation.

Invite to the WhoisXML API product External Inbox x



WhoisXMLAPI service <service.desk@[REDACTED]>
to shared.login+child ▾

Hi, new team member,

The following account [shared.login+master@\[REDACTED\]](#) has invited you to the WhoisXML API product account.

Use the following link to confirm your account:

[Confirmation link](#)

Best regards, [whoisxmlapi.com](#) product team

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What Child Accounts Can and Can't Do

While parent and child API keys have access to the same products, child accounts have certain limitations. For example, child accounts can't access the buttons to buy or edit the subscription.

However, child users can access **Usage stats** and manage their newsletter subscriptions from the settings screen. The table below summarizes what child accounts can and can't do.

| | PARENT | CHILD |
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|----------------------------|---|---|
| Product access | ? | ? |
| Buy product subscriptions | ? | ? |
| Edit product subscriptions | ? | ? |
| Billing information | ? | ? |
| Usage statistics | ? | ? |
| Newsletter subscription | ? | ? |

Don't hesitate to [contact us](#) to check eligibility for the parent-child API key feature or request access if you are an existing enterprise customer.