

**REVISED  
TENTATIVE  
AGENDA\***

**SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON FOSTER CARE OVERSIGHT**

August 25 – 26, 2020

**Tuesday, August 25**  
**All Day Session**  
Room 112-N—Statehouse

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- 9:00 a.m. Welcome
- 9:10 a.m. Foster Care Orientation
- Laura Howard, Secretary for Children and Families and Secretary for Aging and Disability Services
- 10:30 a.m. Introduction of Foster Care and Family Preservation Services Contractors
- Lindsey Stephenson, Vice President, KVC Kansas
  - Rachel Marsh, Vice President of Advocacy, Saint Francis Ministries
  - Denise Cross, President, Cornerstones of Care
  - Rachelle Roosevelt, Senior Vice President, TFI Family Services
  - Lori Alvarado, Chief Executive Officer (CEO), DCCCA, Inc.
- 11:00 a.m. Family First Prevention Services Act
- Norma Volkmer, Fiscal Analyst, Kansas Legislative Research Department (KLRD)
  - Tanya Keys, Deputy Secretary, Kansas Department for Children and Families (DCF)
- 11:30 a.m. Services for Foster Care Children with Intellectual and Developmental Disability and Mental Health Needs; Access to Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facilities
- Amy Penrod, Commissioner, Aging and Disability Services and Programs, Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services (KDADS)
  - Andrew Brown, Commissioner, Behavioral Health Services, KDADS

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- 11:45 a.m. Presentation on the DCF McIntyre Settlement
- Scott Abbott, Assistant Revisor, Office of Revisor of Statutes
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch
- 1:30 p.m. Overview of Child Welfare System Task Force Activities and Recommendations
- Norma Volkmer, Fiscal Analyst, KLRD
- 2:00 p.m. Implementation of Child Welfare System Task Force Recommendations
- Laura Howard, Secretary for Children and Families and Secretary for Aging and Disability Services
- 2:45 p.m. Foster Care Report Card
- Tanya Keys, Deputy Secretary, DCF
  - Dale Dennis, Deputy Commissioner, Division of Fiscal and Administrative Services, Kansas State Department of Education (KSDE)
- 3:30 p.m. Mental Health Pilot Services for Foster Care Children
- Dale Dennis, Deputy Commissioner, Division of Fiscal and Administrative Services, KSDE
- 3:45 p.m. Impact of COVID-19 on the Foster Care System
- Laura Howard, Secretary for Children and Families and Secretary for Aging and Disability Services
  - Denise Cross, President, Cornerstones of Care
  - Jeannette Owens, Chief Child Welfare Officer, DCCCA, Inc.
- 4:30 p.m. Adjourn

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- 9:00 a.m. Welcome
- 9:05 a.m. Introduction of Entities Serving Individuals Involved In or At Risk of Entering the Child Welfare System
- Minister Nina Shaw-Woody, Executive Director and Therapist; Kansas Family Advisory Network
  - Gail Cozadd, CEO, Kansas Children's Service League

- Jeannette Owens, Board President, and Beth Roberts, Director of Training, Children's Alliance of Kansas
- Tara Wallace, President, Kansas African American Foster Care and Adoption Coalition
- John Wilson, President, Kansas Action for Children
- Tammy Thomas, State Director for Kansas, Safe Families for Children
- Barb Kempf, Vice President, FosterAdopt Connect
- Joey Hentzler, Director of Advocacy, Kansas Appleseed

10:30 a.m. Status of Technology in Child Welfare System, Data Collection, and Barriers to Sharing Information Across Stakeholders

- Tanya Keys, Deputy Secretary, DCF
- Sonder Crane, MD, Board Member, and Pamela Shaw, MD, Kansas Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics

12:00 p.m. Lunch

1:30 p.m. Quality of Legal Representation in Foster Care

- Laura Howard, Secretary for Children and Families and Secretary for Aging and Disability Services
- Vanessa Dudley-Miller, State Director, Kansas Court Appointed Special Advocates
- Allison Green, Legal Director, National Association of Counsel for Children
- Jeff Wright, State Public Defender, Iowa
- Kerrie Lonard, Managing Attorney, Kansas Legal Services – Topeka
- Marilyn Harp, Executive Director, Kansas Legal Services, Kin-Tech

3:30 p.m. Discussion and Proposal of Recommendations on Meeting Topics

- Technology in Child Welfare System, Data Collection, and Barriers to Sharing Information Across Stakeholders
- Quality of Legal Representation in Foster Care

4:30 p.m. Adjourn