



# Commission on Improving the Status of Children in Indiana

## Juvenile Justice and Cross System Youth Task Force

Friday, May 7, 2021

9:00-11:00 a.m. EDT

Virtual via Zoom

### Agenda

#### Strategic Goal and Objectives:

**Improve safety and outcomes of youth who come in contact with the juvenile justice system**

9:00 – Welcome and Introductions; approval of minutes from March 5<sup>th</sup> meeting

9:10 – Action Items from last meeting:

- ESC and Violence Sub-Committees – presentations to CISC
- Prevention/Diversion and Reentry Sub-Committees – survey distribution
- Reintegration Sub-Committee – JDAI survey
- Adolescent Brain Development Sub-Committee – connect to co-chairs
- Meeting for sub-committee chairs
- Strategic Plan Tracking document
- Sub-Committee Rosters
- Sub-Committee Reports

9:20 – Family First Prevention Services Act – Don Travis

9:40 – Sub-Committee Reports

1. Strengthen collaboration between juvenile probation, mental health, the Department of Child Services, prosecutors, and public defenders at the county level, across the state, especially with regard to dual status children  
*Dual Status Implementation Committee Chair: Jurist in Residence/Senior Judge Mollo*
2. Identify and encourage adoption of effective and promising practices for identification, referral, and appropriate services for victims of commercial sexual exploitation of children (CSEC)  
*Sub-Committee Co-Chairs: Judge Dowling and Judge Harvey*
3. Increase alternatives to detention for youth, such as shelter care, assessment centers, intake centers, and alternative therapeutic settings  
*Sub-Committee Co-Chairs: Mike Gray and Matt Gooding*
4. Identify and encourage adoption of effective and promising practices for preventing and diverting youth from entering the juvenile justice system  
*Sub-Committee Co-Chairs: Tracy Fitz and Megan Horton*
5. Identify and encourage adoption of effective and promising practices for preventing serious and violent delinquent behavior  
*Sub-Committee Co-Chairs: Steve Balko and Bob Bragg*
6. Identify and encourage adoption of effective and promising programs to engage justice-involved youth and parents in effective treatment, services, and community connections  
*Sub-Committee Co-Chairs: Coleen Connor and Rebecca Humphrey*

7. Identify and encourage adoption of effective and promising practices to support youth transitioning back to their families and communities from corrections, secure detention, and residential programs  
*Sub-Committee Co-Chairs: Joel Wieneke and Terrie Decker*
8. Identify and encourage adoption of effective and promising practices and policies that integrate the science of child and adolescent development into the justice system's response to children and youth.  
*Sub-Committee Co-Chairs: Judge Pratt and JauNae Hanger*

10:30 – Task Force Annual Report

10:35 – Executive Director Update – Julie Whitman

10:45 – Review Action Items and Next Steps

11:00 – Adjourn

**2021 Meetings:**  
July 9, 2021  
September 3, 2021  
November 5, 2021