



Commission on Improving the Status of Children in Indiana

MEETING AGENDA

October 15, 2025 / 10:00 AM – Noon

1. **Welcome & Introductions** - Hon. Dana Kenworthy, Chair
2. **Consent Agenda - 10:05 AM** - Hon. Dana Kenworthy, Chair
 - a. Minutes from the August 2025 meeting
Action: Approval of August 2025 Meeting Minutes
3. **Juvenile Justice & Cross-System Youth Task Force Recommendation - 10:10 AM**
 - a. Recommendation regarding family access for youth in secure detention
 - i. Overview of recommendation - Nancy Wever, Task Force co-chair
 - ii. Response to prior meeting request for information - Joshua Nichols, Indiana Juvenile Detention Association
 - b. Commission discussion and Q&A
Action: Approval of Recommendation
4. **Strategic Planning Update - 11:25 AM**
 - a. Recap of strategic planning session - Patrick Freeland, Forum for Youth Investment
 - b. Timeline and next steps - Mark Fairchild
 - c. Commission discussion and Q&A
5. **Department of Child Services Older Youth Initiatives - 11:00 AM**
 - a. Presentation on DCS Older Youth Initiatives - Anisa Evans-Tucker, DCS
 - b. Commission discussion and Q&A
6. **Executive Director Report - 11:45 AM** - Mark Fairchild
 - a. Reminders on legislative affairs process
 - b. CISC meeting dates for 2026
7. **Commission Member Announcements and Adjournment**

Remaining 2025 Meeting Dates

December 10 @ 10AM - Indiana Government Center South - conference room C

Vision: *Every child in Indiana will have a safe and nurturing environment and be afforded opportunities to reach their full potential and live a healthy and productive life.*