Commission on Improving the Status of Children in Indiana

MEETING AGENDA
August 20, 2025 / 10:00 AM – Noon

1. **Welcome & Introductions** - Hon. Dana Kenworthy, Chair
   a. New Commission members formally introduced
      i. Jada Cuttriss, Youth Representative
      ii. Emma Blackwell, Youth Representative
      iii. Audrey Arbogast, Governor's Office Appointment
      iv. Chad Ranney, State Budget Director
   b. Review of CISC member roles and participation expectations

2. **Consent Agenda - 10:15 AM** - Hon. Dana Kenworthy, Chair
   a. Minutes from the April 2025 and June 2025 meetings
   Action: **Approval of April 2025 and June 2025 Meeting Minutes**

3. **Juvenile Justice & Cross-System Youth Task Force Recommendation - 10:20 AM**
   a. Recommendation regarding family access for youth in secure detention
      - Nancy Wever and Hon. Holly Harvey, Task Force co-chairs
   b. Commission Discussion and Q&A
   Action: **Approval of Recommendation**

4. **BEST Youth Initiative Recommendation - 11:05 AM**
   a. Presentation of position statement on chronic absenteeism - Mark Fairchild
   b. Commission Discussion and Q&A
   Action: **Approval of Position Statement**

5. **Support of the Child Welfare Task Force Created Under [HEA 1273](2025) - 11:20 AM**
   a. Presentation on HEA 1273 & potential CISC support - Mark Fairchild
   b. Commission Discussion and Q&A
   Action: **Approval of Supportive Relationship**

6. **Executive Director Report - 11:45 AM** - Mark Fairchild
   a. CISC 2026-2028 Strategic Plan development update
   b. Presentation of draft 2025 CISC Annual Report
   Action: Approval of Annual Report

7. **Commission Member Announcements and Adjournment**

Remaining 2025 Meeting Dates

October 15 @ 10AM - Indiana Government Center South - conference room A
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.*