



Commission on Improving the Status of Children in Indiana

Multi-System Youth Task Force February 6, 2026; 9:30-11:00 a.m. EDT Virtual via Zoom Agenda

Strategic Goal:

Improve safety and outcomes of children and youth who encounter multiple systems

The Multi-System Youth Task Force shall provide information, present recommendations, and provide followup on Commission approved recommendations regarding:

1. Improving identification, referral, system responses and appropriate services for victims of commercial sexual exploitation of children (CSEC).
2. Identifying gaps and potential solutions for dual status youth and those involved with multiple systems.
3. Integrating the science of child and adolescent development into system responses.
4. Promoting family and caregiver engagement at all stages of system involvement.
5. Improving how systems transition children and youth, including both when they are transitioning between systems and when they are exiting systems

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| 9:30 | Welcome/Introductions/Check-In |
| 9:40 | Review and approval of December minutes |
| 9:45 | Wrap Up 2023-2025 Strategic Plan
Objective #2
Identify and encourage adoption of effective policies and practices that promote family engagement, healing, and growth in juvenile status offense cases
<i>Leah Pezzarossi and Tracy Fitz</i> |
| 10:00 | Organizing the Work: Identifying Sub-Committee Co-Chairs and Members
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<i>Judges Dowling and Harvey</i>

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| 10:45 | Executive Director Update and Legislative Activities – Mark Fairchild |
| 11:00 | Adjourn |