



Commission on Improving the Status of Children in Indiana

Juvenile Justice and Cross System Youth Task Force

Friday, February 7; 9:30-11:00 a.m. EDT

Virtual via Zoom

Agenda

Strategic Goal:

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

- 9:30 Welcome/Introductions/Check-In
- 9:35 Review and approval of minutes (September and November, 2024)
- 9:40 Guest Presentation – Counsel for youth in the child welfare system:
Rachel Vilenksy, Child Advocates; Dr. Bill Evans, Notre Dame
- 10:10 Sub Committee Reports
- 1. Identify and encourage adoption of effective and promising practices for identification, referral, and appropriate services for victims of commercial sexual exploitation of children (CSEC)**
Judges Dowling and Harvey
 - 2. Identify and encourage adoption of effective policies and practices that promote family engagement, healing, and growth in juvenile status offense cases**
Leah Pezzarossi and Tracy Fitz
 - 3. Identify and encourage adoption of effective and promising programs and practices to support the healthy development of children with an incarcerated parent**
Joel Weineke and Steve Balko
 - 4. 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**
JauNae Hanger
- 10:40 Executive Director Update and Legislative Activities – Mark Fairchild
- 10:50 Review Action Items
- 11:00 Adjourn