

**AGENDA**  
**COLORADO'S CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM INTERIM STUDY COMMITTEE**

House Committee Room 0112

State Capitol Building

Tuesday, September 12, 2023

9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

- 9:00 AM**      **Call to Order and Opening Remarks**
- *Representative Young, Chair*
- 9:05 AM**      **Presentation on Child Welfare Funding**
- *Emily Hansen, Senior Legislative Budget and Policy Analyst, Joint Budget Committee Staff*
  - *Minna Castillo, Director, Office of Children Youth and Families, Colorado Department of Human Services*
  - *Mollie Bradlee, Deputy Director, Office of Children Youth and Families, Colorado Department of Human Services*
  - *Jamison Lee, Chief Financial Officer, Office of Children Youth and Families, Colorado Department of Human Services*
  - *Matthew Sundeen, Accountable Care Collaborative Program Management and Section Manager, Department of Health Care Policy and Financing*
  - *Commissioner Wendy Buxton-Andrade, Prowers County and County Co-Chair of Colorado's Child Welfare Allocation Committee*
  - *Mimi Scheuermann, Chief Operating Officer and Acting Executive Director, Denver Human Services*
  - *Lennie Bottorff, Fiscal Manager, Weld County Department of Human Services*
- 11:05 AM**      **Q&A with Child Welfare Funding Panelists**
- 11:30 AM**      **Presentation on Adoption**
- *Korey Elger, Permanency Manager, Colorado Department of Human Services*
  - *Jonathan Anderson, Deputy Division Manager, Children Youth, and Families, Larimer County Department of Human Services*
  - *Ann Ayers, Chief Executive Officer, Raise the Future*
  - *Lucinda Wayland Connelly, Vice President of Programs, Raise the Future*
- 12:00 PM**      **Q&A with Adoption Panelists**
- 12:15 PM**      **Break**
- 12:45 PM**      **Presentation from the High-quality Parenting Time Task Force**
- *Melanie Jordan, Chair, High Quality Parenting Time Task Force*

- 12:55 PM Q&A with High-quality Parenting Time Task Force Panelist**
- 1:00 PM Presentation on Safety Assessment Tool**
- *Joe Homlar, Director, Division of Child Welfare, Colorado Department of Human Services*
  - *Mimi Scheuermann, Chief Operating Officer and Acting Executive Director, Denver Human Services*
  - *Dr. Ida Drury, Kempe Center*
  - *Dr. Becky Orsi, Kempe Center*
- 1:30 PM Q&A with Safety Assessment Tool Panelists**
- 1:45 PM Presentation on Overrepresented Populations in Colorado's Child Welfare System**
- *Doris Tolliver, Principal, Health Management Associates*
  - *Steve Ellis, Data Advocacy Analyst, Casey Family Programs*
  - *Crystal Ward Allen, Senior Director Strategic Consulting, Casey Family Programs*
  - *Nicole Bishop, Director, Action in Advocacy*
  - *Melanie Jordan, Policy Director, Office of the Respondent Parents' Counsel*
- 2:15 PM Q&A with Overrepresented Populations in the Colorado's Child Welfare System Panelists**
- 2:30 PM Break**
- 2:45 PM Public Testimony**
- Please use the following link to sign up to provide public testimony:  
<https://www2.leg.state.co.us/CLICS/CLICS2023A/commsumm.nsf/signIn.xsp>
- 3:45 PM Bill Requests**
- *Jane Ritter, Managing Senior Attorney, Office of Legislative Legal Services*
  - *Alana Rosen, Staff Attorney, Office of Legislative Legal Services*
- 5:00 PM Adjourn**