

CHILDREN'S BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CONSENT DECREE MEETING MINUTES

DATE: 6/24/2026

TIME: 9:00 a.m.- 10:00 a.m.

PURPOSE: DCYF Consent Decree Advisory Committee Meeting

ATTENDEES: **In-Person:** Ashley Deckert, Gina Ginolfi, Aysa Michon, Amanda Pelletier, Bridget Kinsella, Tim Keefe, Tracy Vadeboncoeur, Allegra Scharff, Lisa Conlan, and Jenna Fallago

Virtual – Laura Fleming, Chris Hageman, Tom Martin, Kara Foley, Avery Irons, Karyn Horowitz, Deborah Harburger, Tonja Kubas-Meyer, Ellie Robinson, Sam Salganik, Darquita Fletcher, Kathleen Hughes, Jill Farrell, Amy Hulberg, Katelyn Medeiros, Beth Bixby, Diana Robbins, Megan Clingham, Alexia Arriaza, Olinda Desrosiers, Eric Gaboriault, and Sarah StJacques

DISCUSSION

Agenda: Opening Remarks, Advisory Committee Structure, Action Team Development and Closing

AD: Opened with quick remarks and established a discussion around the structure of the Advisory Committee now that DCYF is one-year into Committee meetings. Highlighting the potential for Committee Chair changeover, composition and participation, meeting structure, and advocacy.

Led to a lengthy conversation around leadership structure, committee membership, advocacy, future engagement with the Department, nominations and voting/selection. Need for a form developed for the voting/selection process.

CH: Brought up a concern with current membership construct and potential for engagement with members who have decreased in attendance to ensure continued participation.

AD: Transitioned the discussion to the Development of Action Teams, and future meeting with Team Leads to establish foundational elements and cadence for team discussions/meetings. Shared a guiding document provided by UCONN-Innovations to assist with consistent Action Team structure, with a goal to begin in July.

DH: Walked through the guiding questions developed for DCYF use.

A collaborative discussion around policy engagement and parent involvement as part of the Action Team composition. Additional discussion around the number of committees an individual may participate in.

KF: Asked if the Department could provide an update around recent legislative activity and impacts to the Consent Decree Work for the next Advisory Committee meeting.

AD: Opened the floor for any remaining questions or concerns by the Committee.

Call Concluded

ACTION ITEMS

Action Team Form Link [https://forms.office.com/g/5aUQppHt\\$Q](https://forms.office.com/g/5aUQppHt$Q)

Assessment & Level of Need – (State Lead: Chris Strnad)

Intensive Care Coordination (ICC) / Care Management Entity – (State Lead: Ashley Deckert)

Single Point of Access (SPoA) Design – (State Lead: Ellie Robinson)

Service Array and Provider Capacity – (State Lead: Heather Warner)

Hospital Transition and Discharge – (State Lead: Brandi DiDino)

Infrastructure Development – (State Lead: Misty Delgado)

Policy Review – (State Lead: Sarah StJacques)

FOLLOW-UP MEETING(S)

- Next meeting – 29 July 2026

LINKS/DOCUMENTS



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