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NOTICE OF COMBINED PUBLIC MEETING AND EXECUTIVE SESSION OF THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SAFETY (DCS) COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE - AMENDED

Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Arizona DCS Community Advisory Committee and to the general public that the Arizona DCS Community Advisory Committee will hold a meeting open to the public on Friday, April 29, 2022 from 2:00p.m. - 4:00p.m. virtually. The public may call in and listen to these proceedings in real time at:

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In addition to being able to call in and listen to these proceedings in real time, the public may also observe a recording of the meeting by accessing:

https://dcs.az.gov/about/community-advisory-committee

A copy of the agenda and background materials will be available at: https://dcs.az.gov/about/community-advisory-committee

AGENDA

- 1. Welcome, Introductions, and Meeting Format
- 2. <u>COVID vaccination practices and mitigation efforts for DCS youth in congregate</u> care settings

A DCS representative will address the topic of COVID vaccines for youth in congregate settings, any/all changes to DCS practices, and DCS efforts to mitigate the spread of COVID in congregate care settings. The committee will discuss and take possible action based on the information provided.

3. Disparity in foster care

A DCS representative will discuss what the Department is doing in order to address disparity in Arizona's child welfare system. The committee will discuss and take possible action based on the information provided.

4. Barriers and issues for kinship families to obtain a foster license
A DCS representative will discuss the issues that confront kinship families when they seek to obtain a foster license. The representative will also discuss licensing waivers and licensing denials. The committee will discuss and take possible action based on the information provided.

5. Annual Report

Preparation for the annual report. The Committee will discuss and take possible action based on the information provided in the discussion.

5. Call for Public Comment

The call for public comment portion of the April 29, 2022, meeting will require the public to forward comments to

CommunityAdvisoryCommittee@azdcs.gov or through the following link https://dcs.az.gov/about/community-advisory-committee prior to the meeting, or during the meeting. The Committee Chair will read the comments into the official record of the meeting. The Committee requests that anyone wishing to comment provide their name and contact information on the comment card.

6. Set Agenda for next meeting

The committee will finalize the agenda for the next meeting in June 2022.

7. Executive Session:

The Committee may vote to go into Executive Session for discussion and consultation with the DCS General Counsel regarding agenda items above pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3).

A copy of the agenda and background material provided to Committee members (with the exception of material relating to possible executive sessions) are available for public inspection at the Committee's office, 3003 N. Central Ave. Phoenix, AZ 85012 and on https://dcs.az.gov/about/community-advisory-committee.