



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

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, October 2, 2020 from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. virtually. The public may call in and listen to these proceedings in real time at: **+1 480-561-6122 United States, Phoenix (Toll) Conference ID: 478 974 101#** The Arizona Department of Health Services and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has issued guidance regarding the Coronavirus, which limits gatherings to less than ten people as a means of protection of the public's health.

**AGENDA**

1. Welcome, Introductions, and Meeting Format
2. Trends in the Placement of Children in Foster Care in Light of Covid-19  
A representative of DCS will provide an update of trends in the placement of children in foster care as a result of Covid-19. The Committee will discuss and take possible action based on the information provided.
3. Racial Disproportionality and Disparities in Child Welfare  
A representative of the DCS will discuss the issue of racial disproportionality and disparities in child welfare, and the efforts of DCS to reduce them. The Committee will discuss and take possible action based on the information provided in the presentation.
4. Call for Public Comment  
The Arizona Department of Health Services and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has issued guidance regarding the Coronavirus, which limits gatherings to less than ten people as a means of protection of the public's health. Therefore, pursuant to A.R.S. Sec. 38-431.01(H), the Call for Public Comment portion of the October 2, 2020, meeting is

suspended on a temporary basis. 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>. The public may also communicate with the committee at [communityadvisorycommittee@azdcs.gov](mailto:communityadvisorycommittee@azdcs.gov). A copy of the agenda and background materials will be available at <https://dcs.az.gov/about/community-advisory-committee>.

5. Set Agenda for next meeting

The committee will finalize the agenda for the next meeting, December 4, 2020.

6. Meeting Schedule for Fiscal Year 2021

December 4, 2020

February 5, 2021

April 2, 2021

June 7, 2021

7. Executive Session:

The Committee may vote to go into Executive Session for discussion and consultation with the DCS General Counsel regarding agenda items 1-6 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>.

Persons having a difficulty connecting into the meeting can contact Felix Fornino at 480-215-0647 for assistance.