

AGENDA
CHILD WELFARE LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT PANEL
UTAH LEGISLATURE

Monday, December 17, 2012 • 9:00 a.m. - Noon • Room 250 State Capitol

1. Committee Business

- Call to order
- Approval of the minutes of the July 11, 2012, meeting

2. General Session Preview

The panel will review child welfare legislation requested for the 2013 Annual General Session of the Legislature.

- Ms. RuthAnne Frost, Associate General Counsel, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel
- Sponsors of 2013 legislation
- Public comment
- Panel discussion/action

3. Child Welfare Outcomes and Compliance with Statutory Requirements

The panel will discuss trends and areas of concern identified by the Office of Services Review's annual qualitative case review and annual case process review. The panel will receive a report from the Division of Child and Family Services on what action has been taken or should be taken to address areas of concern.

- Office of Services Review, Department of Human Services
- Division of Child and Family Services
- Public comment
- Panel discussion/action

4. Legislative Audit Follow-up

At the panel's July meeting, the Division of Child and Family Services reported that implementation of 7 of the 19 recommendations made in the January 2011 legislative audit was still in process. The division will update the panel on implementation of the audit recommendations.

- Division of Child and Family Services
- Public comment
- Panel discussion/action

5. Court Ordered Services

The panel will receive a report on how juvenile court judges determine what services should be ordered for a child or a family and how those services are funded.

- Administrative Office of the Courts
- Public comment
- Panel discussion/action

6. Budget Issues

Utah Code Ann. 62A-4a-207 directs the panel to "receive reports from the executive branch and the judicial branch on budgetary issues impacting the child welfare system... and...recommend, as the panel considers advisable, budgetary proposals to the Social Services Appropriations Subcommittee and the Executive Offices and Criminal Justice Appropriations Subcommittee."

- Office of Guardian ad Litem
- Administrative Office of the Courts
- Division of Child and Family Services
- Department of Human Services (Office of Services Review)
- Department of Administrative Services (Office of Child Welfare Parental Defense)
- Public comment
- Panel discussion/action

7. Annual Reports

In addition to other written reports received during this and the panel's July meetings, the panel will discuss the following reports as necessary:

Office of Child Protection Ombudsman

"Annual Report: FY 2012"

Administrative Office of the Courts

"Child Welfare Statutory Time Requirements Report: Fiscal Year 2012"

Office of the Guardian ad Litem

"Office of the Guardian ad Litem and CASA Annual Report"

Division of Child and Family Services

"Annual Report: 2012"

- Public comment
- Panel discussion/action

8. Fatality Reviews

Utah Code Ann. Section 62A-16-302 directs the panel to review Fatality Review Committee reports for individuals who had an open case for child welfare services within one year of death. The meeting will be closed for a portion of this agenda item in order for the panel to discuss individual child welfare cases. Following the closed portion of the meeting, the meeting will be re-opened to the public for any further discussion and for any action by the panel.

Open to the public:

- Presentation of "Fatality Review Executive Summary: FY 2012"
- Motion to close the meeting to the public pursuant to Utah Code

Ann. Subsection 52-4-205(2)(b) for the purpose of reviewing child fatality review reports.

Closed portion of the meeting:

- Ms. RuthAnne Frost, Associate General Counsel, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel
- Ms. Cheryl Dalley, Department of Human Services Fatality Review Coordinator
- Other comments
- Panel discussion
- Motion to re-open meeting to the public

Open to the public:

- Committee discussion
- Public comment
- Panel action

9. Adjourn