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MEDIA ADVISORY & PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

The Drug Endangered Children (DEC) Workgroup was established in SF 2258 to...*"examine issues and develop policy recommendations relating to the protection and safety of drug endangered children"* and...*"propose a statutory definition of a drug endangered child for purposes of child in need of assistance and child abuse proceedings."*

Iowa Drug Endangered Children (DEC) Workgroup

12:30-3:30 p.m., November 17, 2016

Iowa Capitol, Room 102

Tentative Agenda

1. Welcome & Introductions
2. Purpose, Goals & Deliverables
3. DHS Follow Up Data
4. Discussion & Consideration of Proposed Workgroup Recommendations
 - A. Revise definition of "Child in Need of Assistance"
 - B. Standardization of Differential Response (DR) case reassignment criteria by DHS
 - C. DHS policy/guidance for workers use of "confidential access" during Family Assessment
 - D. Use of enhanced data measures by DHS to track & evaluate DR, & for inclusion in annual DHS DR report
 - E. Implementation by DHS of formal method for periodic stakeholder review of child abuse data/trends for possible policy/practice recommendations
5. Public Comment
6. Next Steps & Timelines
7. Other Business
8. Adjourn

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