

**Child Welfare Policy Roundtable Agenda
May 4, 2018 10am-12pm**

State Capitol, Room 317

Call-In: 605-475-2875; 2001258#

Policy Focus for May: Continuum of Care Reform (CCR)—Child and Family Teams (CFTs)

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“The child, youth and family’s experience and voice is important in assessment, placement and service planning. A process known as a “child and family team,” which includes the child, youth and family, and their formal and informal support network will be the foundation for ensuring these perspectives are incorporated throughout the duration of the case.”

<http://www.cdss.ca.gov/lettersnotices/EntRes/getinfo/acl/2016/16-84.pdf>

<http://www.cdss.ca.gov/Portals/9/CCR/CFT%20Professional%20Brochure%20ADA.PDF?ver=2018-03-14-141547-423>

Panel:

- a. Authentic Engagement in CFTs
Vanessa Hernandez, vanessa@calyouthconn.org
Director of Statewide Policy, California Youth Connection, www.calyouthconn.org
- b. The Vision for CFTs
Mary Sheppard, mary.sheppard@dss.ca.gov
Child Protection and Family Support Branch Chief, California Department of Social Services
- c. Implementation of CFTs
Diana Boyer, dboyer@cwda.org
Senior Policy Analyst, County Welfare Directors Association, www.cwda.org
- d. CANS Assessment in CFTs
Lynn Thull, lthull@cacfs.org
Mental Health Policy and Practice Improvement Consultant, California Alliance of Child and Family Services, www.cacfs.org
- e. The CFT Experience – Year 1
CFT Participants provide brief updates on their experience within CFTs in the first year of implementation
Speakers include caregivers, youth and families, social workers and others

Open Discussion

**Next Roundtable Meeting: June 1
Continuum of Care Reform (CCR)—Outcomes and Accountability**

*The Child Welfare Policy Roundtable is held on the First Friday of Every Month, at 10am in Room TBD unless it is moved to accommodate the legislative calendar or holidays.

**Please contact Susanna Kniffen at skniffen@childrennow.org if you have suggestions for format or topics or would like additional information or to be added to the invite list for future meetings.