

Vermont Citizen's Advisory Board

to the Department for Children and Families

Agenda

March 5th, 2025 ♦ 9:00 a.m. to Noon Hybrid: Waterbury State Office Complex & Teams Co-Chairs: Dr. James Metz, Erinn Rolland-Forkey

I. 9:05 - Welcome and Introductions

Co-Chairs

- II. 9:10 Public comment
- III. 9:20 December 4, 2024 Meeting Minutes (vote)

Dr. James Metz

- IV. 9:20 VCAB Business
 - A. Board Recruitment (e.g. DoC, lived experience)
 - B. Membership Election (vote)

Dr. James Metz

C. Co-Chair Election (vote)

Erinn Rolland-Forkey

D. Bylaw Workgroup Update

Anne Ward

V. 9:40 - **DCF Updates**

DCF

- A. Secure Youth Residential Facility
- B. DCF Legislative Priorities & Advocacy Requests of VCAB
- VI. 9:50 Legislative Updates

Amy Rose

- VII. 10:00 Discussion
 - A. Current Contracts & Upcoming RFPs
 - 1. High End System of Care
 - 2. Contracted staffing support updates
 - 3. Impact on internal staffing
 - B. Media Coverage or Legal Action
 - 1. ACLU lawsuit https://www.vermontpublic.org/local-news/2025-01-16/aclu-claims-dcf-illegally-surveils-pregnant-vermonters-considered-unsuitable-for-parenthood
 - 2. Anticipated
 - 10:45 Public Meeting Adjourned; public and guests excused

CONFIDENTIAL: Empaneled Team Presentation & Discussion

10:45 - Break

VIII. 10:55 - Case Review: Access to Education for Children in Care

Lindsay Barron

IX. 12:00 - Adjourn

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Next meeting: June 4, 2025