

**Council of the District of Columbia
COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES
NOTICE OF PUBLIC OVERSIGHT ROUNDTABLE
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004**

**COUNCILMEMBER BRIANNE K. NADEAU, CHAIRPERSON
COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES**

ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC OVERSIGHT ROUNDTABLE ON

**“THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES AGENCY’S
SAFETY PLANNING AND INFORMAL FAMILY PLANNING ARRANGEMENT POLICIES”**

Tuesday, December 13, 2022

1 p.m.

Virtual Public Oversight Roundtable via Zoom

Broadcast live on Channel 13

Streamed live at

www.dccouncil.us, www.entertainment.dc.gov, and <https://www.brianneknadeau.com>

On Tuesday, December 13, 2022, Councilmember Brianne K. Nadeau, Chairperson of the Committee on Human Services, will hold a Public Oversight Roundtable on “The Implementation of the Child and Family Services Agency’s Safety Planning and Informal Family Planning Arrangement Policies”. The roundtable will be held virtually via the Zoom platform at 1 p.m.

On July 18, 2022, the Child and Family Services Agency promulgated two new policies: 1) a “Safety Plans” guidance; and 2) Administrative Issuance CFSA-22-2, which governs “informal family planning arrangements.” The former policy governs situations in which a formal, written safety plan, developed in cooperation with a child’s family, can address immediate safety concerns without the child being separated from the home through a court order. Safety plans require ongoing Agency engagement and review. The latter policy governs family-directed planning arrangements in the wake of which no further Agency involvement is necessary. Both policies may involve the establishment of a temporary living arrangement for a child with identified caretakers.

The Committee invites the public to testify or to submit written testimony. Anyone wishing to testify at the hearing should complete the witness form at <https://www.brianneknadeau.com/testify> by the **close of business on Tuesday, December 6, 2022.**

Witnesses who anticipate needing language interpretation, including sign language interpretation, are asked to inform the Committee of the need as soon as possible, but **no later than five (5)**

business days before the proceeding. We will make every effort to fulfill timely requests, but requests received less than five (5) business days in advance may not be fulfilled, and alternatives may be offered.

Representatives of organizations will be allowed a maximum of five minutes for oral testimony, and individuals (and any subsequent representatives of the same organization) will be allowed a maximum of three minutes. Witnesses are encouraged to submit a copy of their testimony electronically to humanservices@dccouncil.us in advance of the hearing.

For witnesses who are unable to testify at the hearing, written statements will be made part of the official record. Copies of written statements should be submitted either to the Committee at humanservices@dccouncil.us or to Nyasha Smith, Secretary to the Council, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 5, Washington, D.C. 20004. Additionally, voicemail testimony can be provided for the record by calling the Committee's unique voicemail number at (202) 570-4281. At the beginning of the message, please state and spell your name, provide the name of the organization you are representing (if any), your title (if any), the topic of your testimony, and then begin your testimony.

The record will close for all forms of testimony at the end of the business day on Tuesday, December 20, 2022.