

Nebraska Children's Commission Membership

Member Name	Member Type	Title and Organization	Representation
Teresa Anderson	Voting	Health Director , Central District Health Department	Community Representative - Central Service Area
Beth Baxter (Past Chair)	Voting	Administrator , Behavioral Health Region 3	Administrator of a Behavior Health Region
Jim Blue	Voting	President and CEO , CEDARS Youth Services	Child Welfare Service Agency
Holly Brandt	Voting	Executive Director , CAPstone Child Advocacy Center	Community Representative - Western Service Area
Jennifer Chrystal-Clark	Voting	Attorney , Douglas County	Prosecuting Attorney Who Practices in Juvenile Court
Vernon Davis	Voting	Young Adult Previously in Foster Care , Young Adult Previously in Foster Care	Young Adult previously in Foster Care
Misty Frazier	Voting	Director of the Dakota Tiwahe Service Unit , Santee Sioux Nation of Nebraska	Representative of a federally recognized Indian tribe residing within the State of Nebraska
Kim Hawekotte	Voting	Executive Director , Foster Care Review Office	Executive Director of the Foster Care Review Office
Terri Knutson	Voting	Certified Peer Support Provider , Nebraska Family Support Network	Biological Parent Currently Or Previously Involved In The Child Welfare System or juvenile justice system
Felicia Nelsen	Voting	Executive Director , Nebraska Foster and Adoptive Parent Association	Community Representative - Southeast Service Area
David Newell (Chair)	Voting	President & CEO , Nebraska Families Collaborative	Community Representative - Eastern Service Area (Lead Agency)
Deb O'Brien	Voting	FCRB Member ,	Member of a Local Foster Care Review Board
Lisa Story	Voting	Community Member/Foster Parent , Community Representative of the Northern Service Area	Community Representative - Northern Service Area
Susan Thomas	Voting	CASA Volunteer , Nebraska CASA Association	Court Appointed Special Advocate Volunteer
Janine Ucchino	Voting	Attorney , Law Office of Janine Ucchino	Guardian Ad Litem
Kelli Wacker	Voting	Director , Northeast Nebraska Child Advocacy Center	Director of a Child Advocacy Center

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Paula Wells	Voting	Foster Parent,	Foster Parent
Bill Williams	Voting	Chief Operating Officer, COMPASS	Representative Of A Child Advocacy Organization
Sen. Kate Bolz	Ex-Officio	Senator, Nebraska Legislative Council	Designee of the Chairperson of the Appropriations Committee of the Legislature
Michele Borg	Ex-Officio	Education of Systems-Involved Students (ESIS) Coordinator, Nebraska Department of Education	Designee of the Commissioner of the Department of Education
Jeanne Brandner (Vice Chair)	Ex-Officio	Deputy Administrator of the Division of Juvenile Services, Administrative Office of Probation	Appointed by the State Court Administrator
Sen. Patty Pansing Brooks	Ex-Officio	Senator, Nebraska Legislative Council	Designee of the Chairperson of the Judiciary Committee of the Legislature
Courtney Phillips	Ex-Officio	Chief Executive Officer, Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services	CEO of Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services
Judge Linda Porter	Ex-Officio	Judge, Lancaster County Juvenile Court	Appointed by the State Court Administrator
Sen. Merv Riepe	Ex-Officio	Senator, Nebraska Legislative Council	Designee of the Chairperson of the HHS Committee of the Legislature
Julie Rogers	Ex-Officio	Inspector General, Office of Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare	Inspector General of Nebraska Child Welfare
Deb VanDyke-Ries	Ex-Officio	Director, Nebraska Court Improvement Project	Appointed by the State Court Administrator
Matthew Wallen	Ex-Officio	Director, DHHS, Division of Children and Family Services	Director of Children and Family Services division of DHHS