

Welcome to the Nebraska Children's Commission!

10/15/2019





Introductions

1. Name
2. Member Role and/or Title and Organization
3. New or Returning Member (since when)
4. Involvement with any other Children's Commission Committees or groups
5. Fun Fact!



History

[Nebraska Children's Commission Fact Sheet](#)



Early Initiatives

Multi-phased strategic plan to reform child welfare and juvenile justice.

Phase I:

Community Ownership of Child Well-Being
(Community Response/Prevention)
System of Care Work Group
Information & Technology / Data Sharing-
Mapping
Workforce Work Group

Phase II:

Psychotropic Medications Committee
Juvenile Services Committee
IV-E Demonstration Committee and
DHHS Alternative Response Stakeholders
Group
Foster Care Reimbursement Rates
Young Adult Voluntary Services and
Support Committee



Early Initiatives

Task Forces of Note

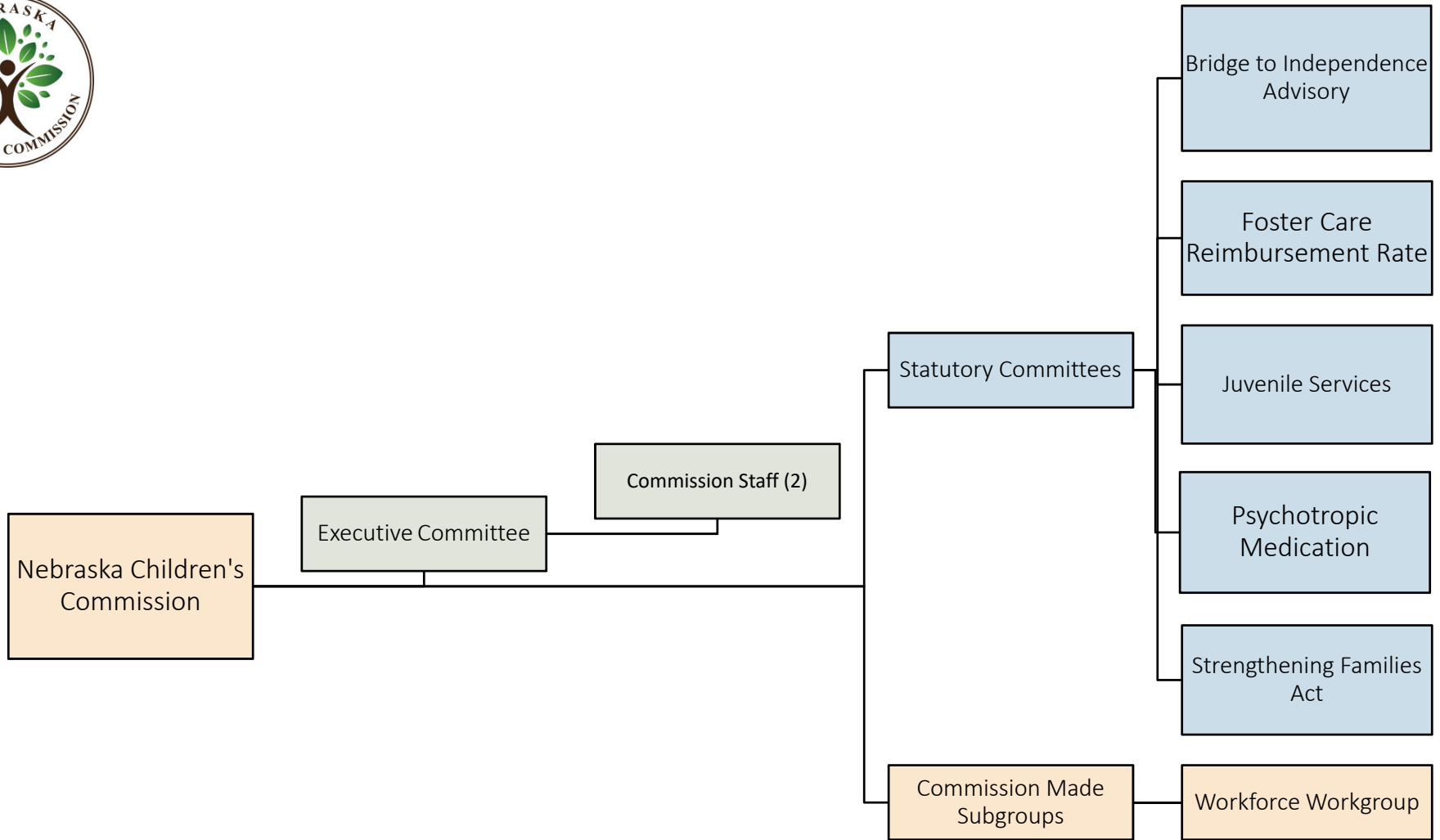
- Lead Agency
- Strengthening Families (Normalcy Task Force)
- Juvenile Justice Extension for B2i



Commission Activities

Activities of the Commission have ranged over the years from large scale to small scale and at various locations in the state

- Annual Reports to the HHS Committee of the Legislature and Governor
- Legislative Testimony
- Community Listening Sessions
- Surveys for foster parents, young adults, and providers
- Partnering with private entities to obtain evaluations and consulting
- Educational panels for stakeholders and the Legislature
- Coordination and collaboration of child welfare and juvenile justice systems





Orientation

[2019 New Member Orientation Manual](#)



Member Resources

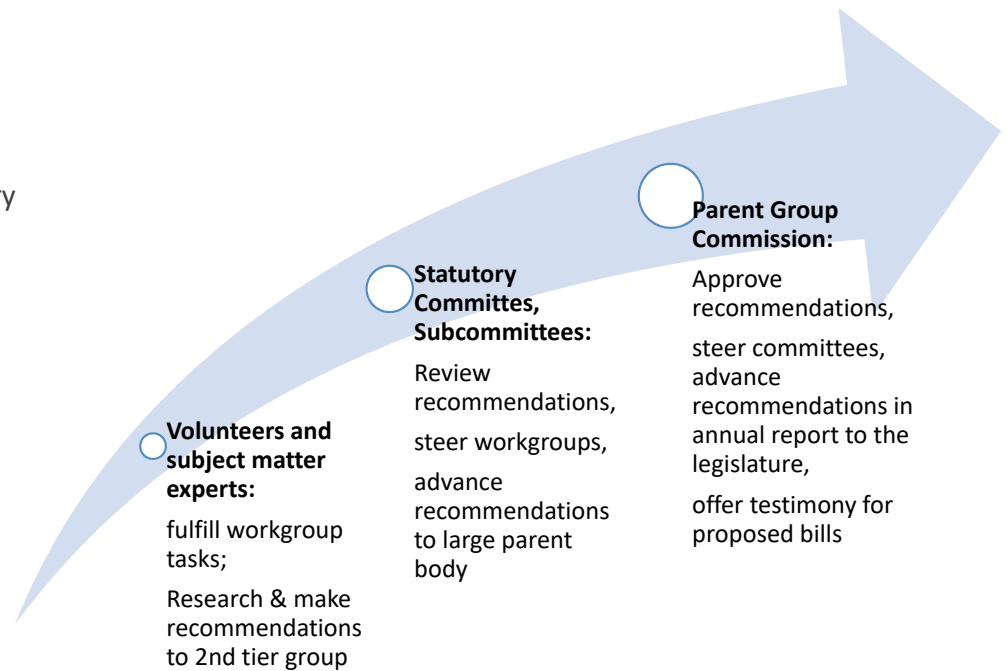
The Nebraska Children's Commission has a website!

www.childrens.nebraska.gov



Operations

- Approval Process
- Annual Reports
 - Due September 1st annually
 - Includes Commission, Bridge to Independence Advisory Committee, Juvenile Services Committee, and Strengthening Families Act Committee





Meeting Procedures

[Nebraska Open Meetings Act](#)



Voting!

Examples of reasons to take a vote:

- Official business (approving the minutes, appointing members to statutory committees, approving the agenda)
- Taking a position (proposed regulations, legislative hearings, issuing a stance in a public forum)
- Approving any final report of the Commission or a statutory committee
- Approving the recommendations by statutory committees



How to Vote!

- A voting member makes a **MOTION**.
- A voting member **SECONDS THE MOTION**.
- **DISCUSSION** ensues.
- Members **VOTE**.

FOR AGAINST ABSTAIN

Example: The vote will carry if the majority of the votes are FOR, even if the majority of the votes are ABSTAIN.

4- FOR 3- AGAINST 8- ABSTAIN



TODAY'S VOTES

1. Approval of the Agenda
2. Approval of the Consent Agenda
3. Approval of the Governance and Structure Memo
4. Nomination and Election of the Executive Committee (Ballot Vote)



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