



COMMISSION TO ELIMINATE CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT FATALITIES
TENNESSEE MEETING AGENDA
April 28-29, 2015

*Meeting Location: SpringHill Suites Memphis Downtown, 85 West Court Avenue,
Memphis TN, 38103*

*Copies of the PowerPoint slides will be posted on our website:
<https://eliminatechildabusefatalities.sites.usa.gov/>*

This meeting will explore key research, policy, and practices in the state of Tennessee related to addressing and preventing child abuse and neglect fatalities. Speakers will address the role of child advocacy centers and methods of developing and implementing a safety-based culture in challenging environments. Commission members will then continue discussing the work plans of the Commission subcommittees, the information that they have obtained to date, and emerging high-level recommendations.

TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2015

- 8:00 a.m. - 8:15 a.m. **Introductions and Remarks by Chairman Sanders**
- 8:15 a.m. - 8:45 a.m. **Opening Remarks by Tennessee Leadership**
*Speaker: James Henry, Commissioner, Tennessee
Department of Children's Services (DCS)*
- 8:45 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. **The Potential for the Children's Advocacy Center
Multidisciplinary Team Process to Prevent Child Abuse and
Neglect Fatalities in Families Known to the Child
Protective Services System**
Speakers
 - *Teresa Huizar, Executive Director, National
Children's Alliance*
 - *Chris Newlin, M.S., L.P.C., Executive Director,
National Children's Advocacy Center*
- 10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. **Break**
- 10:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. **The National and Tennessee's Response to Children with Drug
Exposure**
Speakers
 - *Nancy Young, Ph.D., M.S.W., Director, Children and
Family Futures*
 - *Scott Modell, Ph.D., Deputy Commissioner, Office of
Child Safety, DCS*

- *Carla Aaron, M.S., Executive Director, Office of Child Safety, DCS*
- *Amy Coble, M.S., State Director of Investigations, Office of Child Safety, DCS*
- *Michael Warren, M.D., Assistant Commissioner, Division of Family Health and Wellness, Tennessee Department of Health*
- *Michael Dunavent, J.D., District Attorney, 25th Judicial District of Tennessee*
- *Amy Weirich, J.D., District Attorney, 30th Judicial District of Tennessee*

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Enabling, Enacting, and Elaborating a Safety Culture: Tennessee's Journey

Speakers

- *Scott Modell, Ph.D., Deputy Commissioner, Office of Child Safety, DCS*
- *Michael Cull, Ph.D., Deputy Commissioner, Office of Child Health, DCS*
- *Noel Hengelbrok, M.S., Director of Safety Analysis, Office of Child Health, DCS*

12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Lunch

1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Commission Deliberations

3:30 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.

Break

3:45 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.

Commission Deliberations

5:15 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Closing Remarks by Chairman Sanders

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 2015

8:00 a.m. - 8:15 a.m.

Opening Remarks by Chairman Sanders

8:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

Commission Deliberations

10:15 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Break

10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Commission Deliberations

12:30 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Discuss Preparations for Utah Meeting (May 19-20) and Closing Remarks by Chairman Sanders