



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
REP. MARY WHITEFORD
CHAIR

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, April 12, 2022 8:00 AM Room 352, House Appropriations, State Capitol Building

The House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services was meeting jointly with the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Community Health/Human Services.

The House Appropriations Subcommittee on Health and Human Services was called to order by Chair Whiteford.

The Chair requested attendance be called:

Present: Reps. Whiteford, Green, Allor, Bollin, Glenn, VanWoerkom, Beson, Fink, Brabec, Hood, Tate, Thanedar, O'Neal.

Absent: None.

Excused: None.

Presentation on the Role of Private Child Placing Agencies in Michigan's Child Welfare System

A presentation was made on the role of private child placing agencies in serving children within the child welfare system. The presentation was made by Judith Fischer Wollack, President, Wolverine Human Services, Michael Williams, President and CEO, Orchard's Children's Center, and Bob Ennis, Founder and President, Ennis Center for Children.

Presenters responded to questions from the committee.

Presentation on the Current Operating Environment for Youth in Residential Treatment

A presentation was made on the current operating environment for youth receiving treatment in residential facilities. The presentation was made by Stacie Bowens, Executive Director, Spectrum Human Services, Tom Krolicki, Chief Operating Officer, Wolverine Human Services, and Mary Muliatt, President and CEO, DA Blodgett- St. Johns.

Presenters responded to questions from the committee.

Presentation on the Child Welfare Continuum of Care Including Foster Care and Adoption

A presentation was made on the child welfare continuum of care including foster care and adoption. The presentation was made by Rachel Sykes, Director, Samaritas.

Ms. Sykes responded to questions from the committee.

Presenters provided handouts to the committee.

There being no further business before the subcommittee, Chair Whiteford adjourned the meeting at 9:03 AM.

Representative Mary Whiteford, Chair

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