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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County Administration Building
1221 Oak Street
Oakland, California 94612

Dear Board Members:

Subject: Approval of a new structure for the Interagency Children's Policy Council (ICPC) that includes the appointment of representatives from each member of the Board of Supervisors.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that your Board:

1. Approve a new structure for the Interagency Children's Policy Council (ICPC), with appointed and designated membership.

2. Charge the ICPC with the following role and goals:

Promote better communication and coordination between County and private agencies serving children and families throughout Alameda County;

Ensure that interagency and cross-systems protocols and practices are effectively implemented and evaluated;

Provide leadership in the advocacy and development of legislative policies that improve and enhance service delivery and outcomes for children and youth;

Review funding and fiscal policies for children and youth services;

Identify and set priorities for interagency projects and cross system reform to address unmet needs and service gaps that impact children and youth;

Advise and make recommendations to your Board on policies and issues regarding Alameda County children and youth.

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SUMMARY/DISCUSSION/FINDINGS:

The Alameda County Board of Supervisors established the Interagency Children's Policy Council in 1994, to promote joint planning, collaboration and innovation in policy and program development. ICPC has focused its efforts on incubating programs, piloting services, and facilitating system reforms that addressed the comprehensive needs of:

- youth at risk of out-of-home placement;
- youth involved with the juvenile justice system; and
- youth at risk or experiencing school failure.

As we continue to move forward we must develop a shared vision and approach that guides the broad scope of Alameda County's children and youth collaborative efforts.

For the past six months ICPC stakeholders have met to discuss and re-evaluate the ICPC's current structure and role. There is consensus for the development of a new structure. Restructuring ICPC will enable Alameda County to effectively continue its commitment to providing a forum that examines the continuum of children's policies, issues and services.

FINANCING:

Approval of the ICPC restructure will have no impact on County general fund revenue. Staff assigned to the ICPC will continue to be provided by Health Care Services Agency.

Sincerely,



Alex Briscoe, Acting Director
Health Care Services Agency

Cc: County Administrator
Auditor-Controller
County Counsel

**Alameda County
Board of Supervisors**

ICPC Steering Committee

- BOS member
- two members of CECC
- others as ICPC recommends

**ICPC Childrens Executive
Coordinating Committee (CECC)**

- BOS Member
- BOS Member
- Presiding Juvenile Judge
- Health Care
- Social Services
- Probation
- District Attorney
- Public Defender
- ACOE Superintendent
- Regional Center

Interagency Children's Policy Council (ICPC)

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| • Two members of the Board of Supervisors | 10 |
| • Each Supervisor appoints two members | 2 |
| • Health Care Director or designee | 1 |
| • Social Services Director or designee | 1 |
| • Probation Chief or designee | 1 |
| • District Attorney or designee | 1 |
| • Public Defender or designee | 1 |
| • Presiding Juvenile Judge or designee | 1 |
| • Regional Center | 1 |
| • Two individual school districts (one north, one south) | 2 |
| • Alameda County Office of Education | 1 |
| • Probation (Local Planning Council) | 1 |
| • Mental Health (CBO) | 1 |
| • Social Services (Children Family Services Coalition) | 1 |
| • Child Care (Childcare Planning Council) | 1 |
| • Health (School Based Health Services Coalition) | 1 |
| • Alameda First Five | 1 |
| • Youth Ventures (Safe Passages) | 1 |
| • National Center Youth Law/other youth law advocates | <u>1</u> |

Membership, seats total **30**