



# Foster Care Standards and Oversight Committee

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## FCSOC Meeting Dates for 2024

Full Committee meets the first Wednesday of every month

Jan 3, Feb 7, Mar 6, Apr 3, May 1, Jun 5, Jul 3, Aug 7, Sept 4, Oct 2, Nov 6, and Dec 4

Room E\*, DSS Building 5, 380 W. Ashlan Ave, Clovis, CA 93612 (\*Nov. only) or via Microsoft Teams Link Provided

## AGENDA

November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024

9:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Members of the public may view the meeting virtually via Microsoft Teams here  
or at the link provided below:

<https://www.fresnocountyca.gov/Departments/Social-Services/DSS-Administration/Foster-Care-Standards-and-Oversight-Committee>

**If you wish to provide public comment, please attend the meeting in person.**

Please silence cell phones before entering the meeting room.

- I. Call to Order – Introductions – Roll call Rosemary/DSS Support Staff
  - II. Approve the October 2, 2024, Minutes and November 6, 2024, Agenda
  - III. Updates
    - A. Receive Report from Department of Social Services Addressing Critical Areas Dalvin/Kim
  - IV. New Business
    - A. Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) Unit
      - I. What CQI does and quarterly information report-out beginning January 2025 Cathi/Frank
    - B. Annual Report to the Board of Supervisors 2023-24 Goals Review Rosemary
      - I. 2023-24 Goals from Annual Report:
        - 1. Be a resource to the Board – initiatives to improve CWS
        - 2. Be proactive in joint responsibility with the Board to fill FCSOC vacancies
        - 3. Continue to focus on the wellbeing of children in CWS
      - II. Recommendations to the Board of Supervisors:
        - 1. County-wide campaign to strengthen CWS infrastructure
          - i. Commercials, billboards, social media, etc. to promote the following:
            - a. Recruitment and retention of social workers
            - b. Recruitment of resource families and promotion of kinship care
    - III. For December 4<sup>th</sup> FCSOC meeting, preparation/presentation of information regarding specific successes or struggles in accomplishing 2023-24 goals is being requested from the following parties:
      - 1. Children’s Mental Health Subcommittee Kevin
      - 2. Education Subcommittee Pam
      - 3. Board of Supervisors Ari
      - 4. DSS CWS CWS DDs
  - C. For December meeting: workshop 2024-25 Goals for Upcoming Annual Report
- V. Subcommittee Update
  - A. Education Pam
  - B. Children’s Mental Health Kevin
- VI. Public Comments
 

*This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons desiring to address the FCSOC on matters within the jurisdiction of the FCSOC but are not listed on this agenda. Matters presented during this public comment period cannot be acted upon by the FCSOC.*



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## VII. Announcements

A. FCSS Access to Higher Education “Unlock Your Future” event on Friday 12/13 from 10:00am – 2:00pm at Fresno City College

Pam

- Registration required by 12/2 – link to register is on the flier included in November FCSOC supporting documents

VIII. Adjourn: Next meeting will be held in Hope Plaza on Wednesday, December 4, 2024, at 9:00am.

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### FCSOC Sub-Committee Meeting Information

#### **Children’s Mental Health**

Meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every other month

December 19, 2024

9:00am – 10:30am

Blue Sky Wellness Center, 1617 E. Saginaw

Way, Suite 110 Fresno, CA 93726

### Monthly Attendance Record

2023	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Attended
Perez	O	O	O	O		X		O	O	O			7/10
Vacant													
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Lisitsin	O	O	X	O		O		O	O	X			6/10
Young	X	O	X	O		X		O	O	O			5/10
Kashian	O	O	O	O		O		O	O	O			8/10
Vacant													
Scovill	-	-	-	-		O		O	O	O			4/10
Vacant													
Alanis	O	O	O	O		X		O	O	O			7/10



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Hashimoto	O	O	O	O		O		O	O	X			7/10
Avila	O	X	O	O		O		O	O	O			7/10
Hancock	O	O	O	X		O		O	O	X			6/10
Quintero/Martinez	O	O	O	O		O		O	O	O			8/10
O-Present	X-Absent												