

The ABCs of FTMs, FPTs, FPTMs, & More!

An Introduction to Meetings and Staffings Facilitated by the Department of Children and Families (DCFS)



MAY 19, 2022
12 - 1 P.M.

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FTMs, FPTs, FPTMs, oh my:

- Do you know what each of these acronyms stand for?
- Do you know the goals for each meeting?

Preservation and Transition Staffings:

- Do you know who may participate in these staffings?
- Do you know their purpose?

Whether you answered “yes” or “no” to any of these questions, come on down to the May CIP Café! You will learn about the goals, processes, and policies for DCFS-facilitated meetings and staffings in a Child in Need of Care case. These meetings and staffings are an important part of out-of-court advocacy and may have a significant impact on the trajectory of a case.



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AGENDA & SCHEDULE

Objectives

- Identify the various DCFS-facilitated meetings and staffings for Child in Need of Care cases.
- Understand the purpose for each meeting and staffing and who may participate.
- Access the DCFS policies for the meetings and staffings.
- Appreciate how to best advocate in these settings.

Speakers

- Curtis Nelson, J.D., Deputy Judicial Administrator, Division of Children and Families, Louisiana Supreme Court
- LaTrese LeCour, M.S., State Foster Care Program Manager, Department of Children and Family Services

- 12:00 - 12:50PM** **ABCs of Meetings**
- Family Team Meetings
 - Preservation Staffings
 - Transition Staffings
 - Family and Permanency Team Meetings
 - Family Preservation Team Meetings
- 12:50 - 1PM** **Questions and Answers**

SPEAKERS



LaTrese LeCour | *State Foster Care Program Manager, Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services*

LaTrese LeCour manages the Foster Care Unit at the Department of Child and Family Services of Louisiana. She maintains the role of tribal liaison, leader of normalcy in foster care, and Quality Parenting Initiative (QPI). LaTrese has a Bachelors in Psychology and a Masters in Counseling Psychology. She began as an investigator, supervisor, and Child Welfare Manager of Lafourche and Assumption Parishes and a Child Welfare Consultant in Foster Care.



Curtis Nelson, JD | *Deputy Judicial Administrator, Division of Children and Families, Louisiana Supreme Court*

Curtis Nelson earned his Bachelor of Science degree in psychology with a minor in sociology from LSU in 1992. He graduated from Loyola University School of Law in New Orleans in 1997. Curtis has worked as an adolescence mental health technician, a court appointed special advocate, a parent's attorney in child in need of care proceedings, a child's attorney in delinquency proceedings, and as the Juvenile Section Chief for the 19th Judicial District Attorney's Office. Currently, Curtis serves as the Deputy Judicial Administrator for the Louisiana Supreme Court-Division of Children and Families. The division is involved in several Louisiana initiatives to improve the juvenile justice system for children and families.

