CHILDREN’S CABINET
50-06-43.1 Children’s Cabinet

The children's cabinet is created to assess, guide, and coordinate the care for children across the state's branches of government and the tribal nations.
THE CHILDREN'S CABINET CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

a. The governor, or the governor's designee;
b. The chief justice of the supreme court, or the chief justice's designee;
c. The speaker of the house of representatives, or the speaker's designee;
d. The president pro tempore of the senate, or the president pro tempore's designee;
e. The superintendent of public instruction, or the superintendent's designee;
f. The director of the committee on protection and advocacy, or the director's designee;
g. A representative of the tribal nations in the state, who is appointed by the governor; and
h. Four individuals representing parents, private service providers, or other community interests, who are appointed by the governor to serve a term of two years, at the pleasure of the governor, and who are entitled to reimbursement from the department of human services for travel and lodging at the same rate as provided for state officers and employees.
THE CHILDREN'S CABINET SHALL:

a. Coordinate broad-based leadership across programs, agencies, branches of government, and tribal nations to meet the needs of children;
b. Develop strategies to address gaps or needs regarding early care and education, medical and behavioral health, community, child welfare, and juvenile justice;
c. Develop strategies to provide for the full continuum of care in the delivery of services, including promotion, prevention, early identification and intervention, service delivery, and recovery;
d. Seek to engage cooperation across public and private service providers;
e. Provide a comprehensive vision for how and where children are best served, attending to children in a respectful and relevant manner;
f. Seek strategies to provide services to children without consideration of prior engagement with juvenile services;
g. Provide for the active participation of consumers and providers statewide on advisory committees; and
h. Receive information and recommendations from the department of human services, department of corrections and rehabilitation, and other state agencies.
NOVEMBER 19, 2019

- Legislative Council: Overview of Children’s Cabinet Duties
- Overview of the work completed by the Children’s Behavioral Health Task Force (2017-2018)
- Overview of DHS Efforts to Support Children & Families
- Overview of Simle Middle School Behavioral Health Pilot
- Stakeholder Engagement Discussion

FEBRUARY 26, 2020

- Update from the Interim Judiciary Committee and the Juvenile Justice Commission - Representative Klemin
- Education K-12 Vision – Superintendent Kirsten Baesler
- ND Autism Spectrum Disorder Advocacy Coalition (NDASDAC) – Teresa Larsen, Protection and Advocacy Project
- Update on Family First Implementation – Cory Pedersen, Division of Children and Family Services
- Life Skills and Transition Center – Chris Jones, Department of Human Services
- Human service zones and the opportunities for children/families – Sara Stolt, Department of Human Services
- Department of Health overview of children’s services – Department of Health representative