

**Court Improvement Program
Child Protection Across Court System (C-PACS) Committee
Draft Work Plan January 2016**

The mission of C-PACS is to understand others' roles in child protection, in order to illuminate ways to coordinate efforts and prevent discord.

Goal/Topic	Activities	Persons Responsible
1. Formulate framework for addressing the effect of substance abuse on children's safety	• Look at principles of harm reduction as they apply to children safety	C-PACS committee
	• Share harm reduction research with the CIP Oversight Board after exploring whether needle-exchange ideas can be adapted to child abuse/neglect	
	• Development of a bench card on child safety/risk and parental substance abuse	
	• Create guide to resources for juvenile substance abuse	Nikki Tennis, Cathy Wallace, Misty Prillaman

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- Determining avenues to disseminate the materials created

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2. Duty to monitor and ensure implementation of overlapping issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Encourage training on co-petitioning, battered-parent adjudication, and “knowing allow” policy with multiple disciplines• Explore any rule, policy, or statutory changes needed to encourage use	C-PACS committee
3. Impending dangers and how Safe at Home addresses those issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Suggest cross-training between economic services, CPS, and BCSE workers on impending dangers and child safety issues	C-PACS committee

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review BCF policy on recommended use of Chapter 44 minor guardianship in lieu of Chapter 49 petitions • Recommend that the Oversight Board schedule a presentation by Tanny on the decision-making processes throughout DHHR bureaus and offices 	
4. BCF background-check process and administrative procedure for substantiating child abuse or neglect and expunging child abuse/neglect records	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review current DHHR policy and grievance process • Explore ways for people to expunge records 	C-PACS committee