

**Child Welfare Policy Roundtable Agenda
November 1, 2024 10am-11:30am**

Zoom Webinar ([Registration Required](#))

Policy Focus for November:

Domestic Violence and Child Welfare – The Intersection and Practice Change

Countless children enter foster care due to allegations of domestic violence in the home. Often, these allegations fall under a finding of neglect for failure to protect. Yet removing children from their homes and placing them in foster care for an isolated allegation of domestic violence can result in further trauma for both the DV survivor and the children, and result in other harms, particularly in diverse communities of color. The November Child Welfare Policy Roundtable will delve into this issue, including an overview of how DV and child welfare intersect, survivor perspectives, and novel strategies to safely support families experiencing domestic violence.

Overview:

- a. Domestic Violence and Child Welfare – The Intersection
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Taylor Dudley, Executive Director, dudley@gseis.ucla.edu
The UCLA Pritzker Center for Strengthening Children and Families, pritzkercenter.ucla.edu

Panel:

- b. Survivor Perspective
Jacqueline Herrera, Hope-Line Parent Partner, Herreraj@ladlinc.org
Los Angeles Dependency Lawyers, ladlinc.org
- c. New Strategies to Address the Intersection
Brenda Tully, Research Director, tully@gseis.ucla.edu
The UCLA Pritzker Center for Strengthening Children and Families, pritzkercenter.ucla.edu
- d. Legal Advocacy for Survivors
Fabiola Gonzalez, Parent Support Case Manager, gonzalezf@clccal.org
Family Support and Advocacy Center, fsacla.org
- e. Policy Change in DV/Child Welfare, Part I
Chris Negri, Associate Director of Public Policy Strategies, chris@cpedv.org
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- f. Policy Change in DV/Child Welfare, Part II
Arati Vasan, Senior Managing Attorney, avasana@fvaplalaw.org
Family Violence Appellate Project, fvaplalaw.org

Open Discussion

**Next Roundtable Meeting: December 6, 2024
Topic: TBA**

*The Child Welfare Policy Roundtable is held on the first Friday of every month unless it is moved to accommodate the legislative calendar or holidays.

**Meeting information and materials from past meetings can be found at: childrennow.org/cwroundtable

***Please contact Susanna Kniffen at skniffen@childrennow.org if you have suggestions for format or topics or would like additional information or to be added to the invite list for future meetings.