



DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

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LCB File No. R027-24RP1

Informational Statement per NRS 233B.066

1. A clear and concise explanation of the need for the adopted regulation.

The regulation modifications found in LCB File No. R027-24RP1 focus on various aspects of agency interaction with young adults, their support plans, court review processes, and transition plans. These regulations only affect state and local governments programmatically and are intended to align practice across the state as the agencies which provide child welfare services continue to implement the Extended Young Adult Support and Services Program (EYASSP). These regulations align Nevada child welfare practices in compliance with federal requirements.

2. A description of how public comment was solicited, a summary of public response and an explanation how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.

Below is a summary of how public comment was solicited and a summary of the public's response.

Description of How Public Comment was Solicited

Interested person(s) were sent copies of the proposed regulations, the notice of public workshop and the public hearing notice of intent to adopt via email, upon request, or by interest. The email list included 17 individuals.

Public notices were posted at the following locations, in accordance with NRS Chapter 241:

DCFS, 500 E. Warm Springs Rd., Ste 100, Las Vegas, NV 89119
DCFS, 4126 Technology Way., Ste. 300, Carson City, NV 89706
Northern Nevada Child and Adolescent Services, 2655 Enterprise Rd., Reno, NV 89512
Nevada Youth Parole Bureau, 6171 W. Charleston Blvd., Bldg. 15, Las Vegas, NV
89146 DCFS, 1010 Ruby Vista Dr. Suite 101, Elko, NV 89801
DCFS, 1485 West Warm Springs #109 Henderson, NV 89014

Division of Child and Family Services website:

<http://dcfs.nv.gov/Meetings/2025/2025MeetingsandAgendas/>

Nevada Legislature website: <https://www.leg.state.nv.us>

Nevada Public Notices website: <https://notice.nv.gov/>

Summary of Public Response

Considerable discussion was held through an informal stakeholder engagement process to understand the required components of the regulations. Through the course of the public workshop and the adoption hearing, three formal comments were made.

Public Workshop

On June 20, 2025, a public workshop was held to allow the child welfare agencies and the public to provide input regarding the proposed EYASSP regulations. The following comments were received:

1. Tammi Williamson, Washoe County Human Services Agency - Asked for clarification regarding how often a young adult can opt in or out and whether the regulation needs to be expanded based on that information. Amber Howell, DCFS Consultant, indicated the federal guidelines would be reviewed and an email would go out. Depending on the answer, to determine if the regulation can/should be revised.
2. Megan Tingle, Division of Child and Family Services – Wanted to add language specifying that “virtual” visits would be allowable in addition to, or instead of “in person.”

Adoption Hearing

On September 24, 2025, DCFS held a public hearing on the EYASSP regulations. One comment was received in writing and during public comment from Cadence Matijevich, Washoe County Human Services Agency (WCHSA) Government Affairs Liaison:

“WCHSA recommends the following language changes. The panel shall (1) Place the young adult on a probationary period of 60 days; (2) Issue a written summary setting forth the conditions with which the young adult must comply during the probationary period. (3). If a young adult fails to comply with the conditions set forth in the written summary pursuant to subparagraph (2) of paragraph (c) of subsection 2, the participation of the young adult in the Program may be terminated in accordance with subsection 5 of NRS 432B.594, as amended by section 5 of Senate Bill No. 504, chapter 364, Statutes of Nevada 2025, at page 2370.”

How Other Interested Persons May Obtain a Copy of the Summary

Any person interested in obtaining a copy of the responses at the public workshop or adoption hearing meetings may email, call, or mail a request to Amber Howell at:

Division of Child and Family Services

4126 Technology Way
Carson City, NV 89706
Phone: (775) 687-9047
Email: ahowell@dcfs.nv.gov

- 3. On September 24, 2025, a public adoption hearing was held. There were 11 participants that attended: 4 in person and 7 virtually. There was one written comment and testimony received from the person below:**

Cadence Matijevich, Washoe County
775-444-0015
1001 E. Ninth St. Bldg. A., Reno, NV 89512
775-328-2077
Cmatijevich@wasohecounty.org
Washoe County

- 4. A description of how comments were solicited (i.e. notices), from affected businesses, a copy of their response, and an explanation of how other interested persons may obtain a copy of the summary.**

No solicitation was conducted for these regulations from affected businesses as they do not apply to any small businesses. However, at the public workshop held on June 20, 2025, and the adoption hearing on September 24, 2025, both agendas allowed for public comment and were posted in accordance with Open Meeting Law and shared with Nevada child welfare agencies.

Any other person interested in obtaining a copy of the public workshop or adoption hearing meeting materials may email, call, or mail in a request to Amber Howell at:

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- 5. If, after consideration of public comment, the regulation was adopted without changing any part of the proposed regulation, a summary of the reasons for adopting the regulation without change.**

The primary request to amend the regulation was to change the term “order” to “written summary.” That change was not made because the referenced section references a formal termination of participation in the program, and because it is a formal process, it is appropriate to identify it as an order.

- 6. The estimated economic effect of the regulation on the business which it is to regulate and on the public. These must be stated separately, and in each case must include: (a) Both adverse and beneficial effects; and (b) Both immediate and long-term effects.**

- *Adverse immediate effects:* There are no anticipated immediate adverse economic effects.
- *Adverse long-term effects:* There are no anticipated long-term adverse economic effects.
- *Beneficial immediate effects:* There are no immediate beneficial economic effects.
- *Beneficial long-term effects:* These regulations align Nevada child welfare practices in compliance with federal requirements.

- 7. The estimated cost to the agency for enforcement of the proposed regulation.**

There is no estimated cost to implement or enforce the regulation.

- 8. A description of any regulations of other state or government agencies which the proposed regulation overlaps or duplicates and a statement explaining why the duplication or overlapping is necessary. If the regulation overlaps or duplicates a federal regulation, name the regulating federal agency.**

The proposed regulations do not overlap or duplicate any federal or Nevada state regulations.

- 9. If the regulation includes provisions which are more stringent than a federal regulation which regulates the same activity, a summary of such provisions.**

There are no federal regulations addressing the same activity.

- 10. If the regulation establishes a new fee or increases an existing fee, a statement indicating the total annual amount the agency expects to collect and the manner in which the money will be used.**

These regulations do not address any fees.