Texas Department of Family and Protective Services

DFPS Announces New Appointment to the Child Protective Investigations Advisory Committee

The Texas Department of Family and Protective Services (DFPS) is pleased to announce the appointment of Associate Commissioner for Child Protective Investigations, Ms. Lindsey Van Buskirk, to the Child Protective Investigations Advisory Committee.

The advisory committee was created in accordance with House Bill 140 (89th Regular Session) to strengthen the accuracy, consistency, and fairness of investigations into allegations of child abuse, neglect, and exploitation.

The committee is composed of representatives from state leadership, the judiciary, legal advocates, DFPS leadership, frontline investigative staff, and individuals with lived experience. Its composition reflects the incorporation of diverse perspectives into the child protective investigations process.

Ms. Van Buskirk will serve as an internal agency member, providing guidance and subject matter expertise in her role overseeing Child Protective Investigations statewide. She succeeds Ms. Natalie Reeves, who served in this capacity on an interim basis.

The committee and DFPS extend their appreciation to Ms. Reeves for her service and contributions and welcome Ms. Van Buskirk to the committee.

The next committee meeting will be held on:

Date: Thursday June 25th, 2026,

Location: Brown-Heatly 4900 N Lamar Blvd, Austin, TX 78751 (Public Hearing Room # 1400)

Start time: 9am

The committee welcomes public attendance and participation during open sessions. Please refer to the committee's DFPS website for additional information.

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