JOINT INFORMATIONAL AND OVERSIGHT HEARING of the ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES And ASSEMBLY SELECT COMMITTEE ON FOSTER CARE Tuesday, May 10, 2011 Upon adjournment of Policy Hearing

From Long-Term Foster Care to Permanency: A Focus on Child and Family Centered Practice

State Capitol, Room 437

I. Opening Statements

- **Assembly member Jim Beall, Jr.**, Chairman, Assembly Human Services Committee and Assembly Select Committee on Foster Care
- **Assembly member Brian Jones**, Vice Chair, Assembly Human Services Committee and Assembly Select Committee on Foster Care
- Jessie Petersen and Adam Luna, California Youth Connection, Members
 - o Foster Youth Perspective on Permanency

II. The State Overview: Foster Care Reform in California

- Barbara Needell, Principal Investigator, California Child Welfare Performance Indicators Project, Center for Social Services Research, University of California at Berkeley
 - o California Child Welfare Data Trends and Analysis
- Nina Williams-Mbengue, Program Director, Children and Families Program, National Conference of State Legislatures
 - The Role of State Legislatures in Child Welfare Reform and California's Leadership Nationally

III. Examples of Exemplary Youth and Family Centered Practice in California

SANTA CLARA FAMILY WELLNESS COURT

- Honorable Erica R. Yew, Judge, Santa Clara Superior Court
 - o Family Wellness Court Overview
- Mario Montemayor, Peer Mentor and Family Wellness Court Graduate
 - o Family Wellness Court Parent Perspective

HUMBOLDT COUNTY TRANSITION AGE YOUTH COLLABORATION

- Nancy Starck, Legislative Analyst, Humboldt County Department of Health and Human Services
 - HCTAYC Overview
- **Rochelle Trochtenberg**, Youth Organizer, Humboldt County Transitional Age Youth Collaboration
 - o HCTAYC Youth Perspective

IV. California Partners for Permanency

- Greg Rose, Deputy Director, Children and Family Services Division, Department of Social Services
- Nicolle Larkins, California Partners for Permanency Project Manager
- Joni Pitcl, Project Director, California Child Welfare Co-Investment Partnership
 - o Status of Federal Grant

V. Questions and Public Comment

VI. Closing remarks

- Assembly Member Jim Beall, Jr., Chairman, Assembly Human Services Committee
- Members of the Committee