**Steering Committee of the California Child Welfare Council**

**Role, Time Commitment, and Selection of Membership**

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Pursuant to the California Child Welfare Council Operations Manual, as revised December 10, 2014, the role, time commitment, and selection of Council members to serve on the Steering Committee shall include:

**Steering Committee Role**

* Provide Council staff with ongoing assessment of the work of the Council and its Committees and Task Forces.
* Give guidance to Council staff regarding Council agendas prior to approval by Council Co-Chairs.
* Advise Council staff regarding Council membership to promote active participation.

**Steering Committee Time Commitment**

* Effective July 2015, Steering Committee term of membership will be two years.
* One-hour conference calls to be held quarterly, one month in advance of each Council meeting.
* Ad hoc conference calls to be scheduled as needed.

**Steering Committee Representation**

Steering Committee members will be appointed by the Council’s Co-Chairs and include representation from the following array of stakeholders who comprise the membership of the Council:

* Former foster youth
* Parent
* Foster parent
* Tribal member
* Nonprofit provider of service
* Nonprofit advocate
* County Child Welfare staff
* County Behavioral Health staff
* Juvenile Court Judge
* State Mental Health staff
* State Child Welfare staff