



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
Commission on Juvenile Justice

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**Juvenile Justice Commission Meeting Agenda**

**Date:** Wednesday, November 19, 2025

**Time:** 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

**Location:** Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams

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**I. Welcome (7:00 p.m.)**

- Melissa Goemann, Co-Chair
- Carlotta Woodward, Co-Chair

**II. Guest Speaker (7:02 p.m.)**

- **Senator William C. Smith, Jr.**
  - Chair, Juvenile Proceedings Committee (since 2020)
  - Represents District 20, Montgomery County
  - *Topics for Discussion: (See attached document)*

**VI. Old Business (7:55 p.m.)**

- Approval of Minutes: Vote on draft October 2025 meeting minutes

**VII. New Business**

**a. Mental Health Advisory Committee Forum for DHHS BCC's**

- Virtual forum with Council President Kate Stewart (Nov. 4)
- Attended by Co-Chair Melissa Goemann

**b. Letter to Department of Juvenile Services regarding closing of the Evening Reporting Center – vote**

**c. National roundtable on Prosecuting youth as adults – Diane and Melissa**

**d. County Executive Marc Elrich Budget meetings - Melissa**

**e. Committee Liaison Updates**

- Jeanily Cruz: Volunteered as Mental Health Advisory Committee liaison
- Carole Browne: Continuing as Criminal Justice Coordinating Council liaison (emeritus member)

**f. Committee Sign-Ups (Please indicate your interest in the chat)**

- **Legislative Committee**

- Focus: Recommendations on state legislation
- Co-Chairs: Andrew Messick & Kimberly Alfriend
- Meets frequently during legislative session (Jan–Apr)

- **Subcommittee One**

- Focus: Youth in the justice system with mental health and substance misuse needs
- Chair/Co-Chairs needed – please volunteer if interested
- Meeting is scheduled for December 4 at 5pm-6pm

**VIII. Upcoming Meetings (8:25 p.m.)**

- **December:** No meeting

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**Local Behavioral Health Authority • Behavioral Health and Crisis Services**

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- **Next Meeting:** January 20, 2026 (Virtual)
- **February 16, 2026** – We will be working on legislation for Justice involved youth. This meeting will be spearheaded by the Legislative committee.
- **March 17, 2026:** In-person meeting in Rockville – *Please mark your calendar*

**IX. Adjournment (8:30 p.m.)**

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