

NOTICE OF RULE MAKING

Pursuant to A.C.A. § 9-28-103, the Director, Division of Children and Family Services, issues proposed changes to the Division's Differential Response policy to:

- Add allegations that can be referred to the Differential Response pathway;
- Clarify that any new Priority I allegations discovered during a Differential Response initiation will be immediately reported to the hotline while any new Priority II allegations discovered during a DR initiation will added to the initial DR referral;
- Implement new evidence-based family assessment tools in the use of supportive, in-home, and out-of-home services cases.

The proposed changes are available for review at the Division of Children and Family Services, Policy Unit, 5th floor Donaghey Plaza South, 7th and Main Streets, Little Rock, AR. 72203-1437. All comments must be submitted in writing to the Policy Unit no later than November 15, 2014. All the proposed changes may be viewed in their entirety at

<https://ardhs.sharepointsite.net/CW/Notice%20of%20Rule%20Making/Forms/AllItems.aspx>.

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