## **NOTICE OF RULE MAKING**

Pursuant to A.C.A. § 9-28-103, the Director, Division of Children and Family Services, issues proposed changes to revise Division procedure regarding:

- Child Near Fatalities and Fatalities. This revised rule will ensure the State is consistent in release
  of information and monitoring of near fatalities and fatalities.
- Provision of information to the newly established Child Maltreatment Investigations Oversight Committee. This revised rule will ensure the State is in compliance with ACT 713 of the 91st General Regular Assembly.
- Provision of a report twice annually to the Senate Committee on Children and Youth and the House Committee on Aging, Children and Youth, Legislative and Military Affairs concerning true findings of child maltreatment which have been overturned administratively or judicially. This revised rule will ensure the State is in compliance with ACT 1025 of the 91<sup>st</sup> General Regular Assembly.

The proposed changes are available for review at the Division of Children and Family Services, Policy Unit, 5<sup>th</sup> floor Donaghey Plaza South, 7<sup>th</sup> and Main Streets, Little Rock, AR. 72203-1437. All comments must be submitted in writing to the Policy Unit no later than March 26, 2018. All the proposed changes may be viewed in their entirety at

https://ardhs.sharepointsite.net/CW/Notice%20of%20Rule%20Making/Forms/AllItems.aspx. If you need this material in a different format, such as large print, contact our Americans with Disabilities Act Coordinator at 501- 682-8830 (Voice) or 501- 682-1442 (TDD). The Arkansas Department of Human Services is in compliance with Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act and operates, manages and delivers services without regard to age, religion, disability, political affiliation, veteran status, sex, race, color or national origin.

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