

CHILD ADVOCACY BOARD[489]

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CHAPTER 1
PURPOSE AND FUNCTION
[Prior to 3/23/88, see Foster Care Review Board[445] Ch 1]

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489—1.1(237) Purpose. The child advocacy board is established by Iowa Code section 237.16 to carry out all duties described in Iowa Code section 237.18. The board is charged with the responsibility of establishing a foster care registry, establishing local review boards to review cases of children in foster care, establishing a training program for members of the state board, establishing procedures and protocols for administering the local foster care review board and court appointed special advocate program, receiving and administering funds received for the state board's programs and annually reporting findings and making recommendations to the governor, the general assembly, the department, child-placing agencies, and the state court administrator for dissemination to the supreme court and the chief judge of each judicial district.

1.1(1) Location. The child advocacy board is located in the Lucas State Office Building, 321 East 12th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0083; telephone (866)448-4608. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, except on state holidays. The child advocacy board is created within the department of health and human services.

1.1(2) Definitions. The following definitions apply to the rules of the child advocacy board.

"Case permanency plan" means the same as defined in Iowa Code section 232.2(4), except the plan shall also include, but not be limited to:

1. Time frames to meet the stated permanency goal and short-term objectives.
2. The care and services that will be provided to the child, biological parents, the child's fictive kin, and foster parents.
3. The efforts to place the child with a relative or fictive kin.
4. The rationale for an out-of-state placement, and the efforts to prevent such placement, if the child has been placed out of state.

"Child receiving foster care" means a child defined in Iowa Code section 237.15(2) who is described by any of the following circumstances:

1. The child's foster care placement is the financial responsibility of the state pursuant to Iowa Code section 234.35.
2. The child is under the guardianship of the department.
3. The child has been involuntarily hospitalized for mental illness pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 229.
4. The child is at risk of being placed outside the child's home, the department or court is providing or planning to provide services to the child, and the department or court has requested the involvement of the state or local board.

"Court appointed special advocate" means a person duly certified by the child advocacy board created in Iowa Code section 237.16 for participation in the court appointed special advocate program and appointed by the court to carry out the duties pursuant to Iowa Code section 237.24 as enacted by 2022 Iowa Acts, House File 2507, section 65.

"Department" means the department of health and human services.

"Family" means the social unit consisting of the child and the biological or adoptive parent, stepparent, brother, sister, stepbrother, stepsister, and grandparent of the child.

"Fictive kin" means an adult person who is not a relative of a child but who has an emotionally positive significant relationship with the child or the child's family.

"Local board" means a local citizen foster care review board created pursuant to Iowa Code section 237.19.

"Person or court responsible for the child" means the department, including but not limited to the department of health and human services, agency, or individual who is the guardian of a child by court order issued by the juvenile or district court and has the responsibility of the care of the child, or the court having jurisdiction over the child.

"State board" means the child advocacy board created pursuant to Iowa Code section 237.16.

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CHAPTER 2
RULES AND OPERATION FOR THE STATE BOARD

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489—2.1(237) Membership and term.

2.1(1) *Membership and terms.* The child advocacy board is created within the department of health and human services. The state board consists of nine members appointed by the governor, subject to confirmation by the senate and directly responsible to the governor. One member shall be an active court appointed special advocate volunteer, one member shall be an active member of a local citizen foster care review board, and one member shall be a judicial branch employee or judicial officer appointed from nominees submitted by the judicial branch. The appointment is for a term of four years that begins and ends as provided in Iowa Code section 69.19. Vacancies on the state board shall be filled in the same manner as original appointments are made. An employee of the department of health and human services, an employee of a child-placing agency, an employee of an agency with which the department of health and human services contracts for services for children under foster care, a foster parent providing foster care, or an employee of the district court is not eligible to serve on the state board. However, the judicial branch employee or judicial officer appointed from nominees submitted by the judicial branch in accordance with Iowa Code section 237.16(1) shall be eligible to serve on the state board.

2.1(2) *Officers.* The members of the state board shall annually select a chairperson, vice chairperson, and other officers the members deem necessary. The members may be entitled to receive reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties, subject to available funding. Each member of the state board may also be eligible to receive compensation as provided in Iowa Code section 7E.6.

2.1(3) *Meetings.* The state board shall meet at least twice a year. Notice of a meeting is published at least seven days in advance of the meeting and will be provided to interested persons upon request. The notice shall contain the specific date, time and place of the meeting. The agenda will be made available to any interested person not less than seven days in advance of the meeting. All meetings will be open to the public, pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 21, unless a closed session is voted by a quorum. The operation of the state board meetings will be governed by the following rules of procedure.

a. A quorum shall consist of a majority of the members. When a quorum is present, a position is carried by an affirmative vote of a majority of the members present.

b. Minutes of state board meetings are prepared and are available at the board office for inspection during office hours. Copies may be obtained without charge by contacting the office.

c. At each meeting the state board shall set the time, date and place of the next meeting.

(1) Notice of the meeting shall be given pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 21.

(2) When the chairperson of the state board determines that a special or electronic meeting is required, the meeting shall be held in accordance with Iowa Code section 21.4 or 21.8.

(3) Persons wishing to appear before the state board shall submit the request to the state board office not less than ten days prior to the meeting. Presentations may be made at the discretion of the chairperson and only upon matters appearing on the agenda. Persons wishing to submit written material should do so at least ten days in advance of the scheduled meeting to ensure that state board members have adequate time to receive and evaluate the material.

(4) Cameras and recording devices may be used at open meetings provided they do not obstruct the meeting. The presiding officer may request a person using such a device to discontinue its use when it is obstructing the meeting. If a person fails to comply with this request, the presiding officer shall order that person excluded from the meeting.

(5) The presiding officer may exclude any person from the meeting for repeated behavior that disrupts or obstructs the meeting.

(6) Cases not covered by these rules shall be governed by Robert's Rules of Order.

2.1(4) *Powers and duties.* The powers and duties of the state board are enumerated in Iowa Code section 237.18.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 17A.3, 237.16, and 237.18.

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489—2.2(237) Administrator.

2.2(1) The director appoints an administrator for the child advocacy board. The administrator is responsible for the ongoing administration of the state and local boards' activities and of the court appointed special advocate program.

2.2(2) The administrator:

a. Applies for and administers funds necessary for operations of the child advocacy board and the foster care review board and the court appointed special advocate program.

b. Employs, discharges, trains, and supervises foster care review board and court appointed special advocate program employees.

c. Develops and implements policies and procedures needed to implement requirements of federal law and regulations and state law and administrative rules.

d. Develops and recommends administrative rules for promulgation by the state board as needed to govern the operation of the state board, the foster care review board program and the court appointed special advocate program.

e. Ensures training is provided for state and local board members, court appointed special advocates and coaches and any other volunteers supporting the state board's programs.

f. Ensures that relationships are developed and maintained between the local board and judges, juvenile court referees, local departments, juvenile court services, and advocacy groups.

g. Coordinates efforts to ensure community awareness of state and local boards and the court appointed special advocate program.

h. Works closely with allied agencies and associations to ensure that efforts relating to state and local boards and the court appointed special advocate program are coordinated and consistent.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 17A.3 and 237.18(5).

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489—2.3(237) Foster care registry. The state board shall establish a registry of the placements of all children receiving foster care. The agency responsible for placement shall notify the state board of each placement in accordance with written protocols adopted pursuant to Iowa Code section 237.16(4) as enacted by 2022 Iowa Acts, House File 2390, section 3. The notification shall include information identifying the child receiving foster care and placement information for that child.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 17A.3 and 237.17.

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489—2.4(237) Confidentiality of records—penalty. The state and local boards, court appointed special advocates and coaches and child advocacy employees shall adhere to the confidentiality requirements established in Iowa Code section 237.21.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 17A.3 and 237.21.

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CHAPTER 3
LOCAL FOSTER CARE REVIEW BOARDS

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489—3.1(237) Local boards. The child advocacy board shall establish local foster care boards throughout the state. The number of local boards needed and established shall be determined by the child advocacy board based on the number of children in foster care and available funding.

3.1(1) The child advocacy board is responsible for establishment of policy and procedures consistent with the Iowa Code. Local boards are required to comply with policies and procedures. If a local board does not agree with a policy or procedure, the local board may bring that issue to the child advocacy board for discussion and request a change by the board. If the child advocacy board upholds the policy, local boards must comply.

3.1(2) Day-to-day implementation of policy is delegated by the child advocacy board to administrative staff. Staff is responsible for bringing questions about policy issues to the child advocacy board for clarification or changes of policy.

3.1(3) Any written communication from a local review board or local board member, in the member's capacity as a board member, to state officials or media shall be sent to the child advocacy board office and reviewed by the administrator prior to its release.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 17A.3 and 237.19.
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489—3.2(237) Membership.

3.2(1) The child advocacy board delegates responsibility to the administrator to develop and for local board coordinators to implement an application, recruitment, screening and training process for appointments to vacated local board positions:

a. The process includes the coordinator's conducting a personal interview with the applicant, obtaining character references, and completing background checks on the applicant.

b. The process will include consultation between the coordinator and coordinator's direct supervisor.

3.2(2) A person employed by the department of health and human services or the judicial department, an employee of an agency with which the department of health and human services contracts for services for children under foster care, a foster parent providing foster care, or a child-placing agency shall not serve on a local board.

3.2(3) Vacancies on a local board shall be filled in the same manner as original appointments are made.

3.2(4) The term of a local board member's appointment shall not exceed four years. The child advocacy board shall fix the tenure of individual appointments so that no more than one-third of the membership's terms expire in a given year. A local board member may serve continuous successive terms.

3.2(5) The administrator shall develop a local board member evaluation process. The local board coordinator shall complete the evaluation process at least once for each local board member during the member's four-year term. The local board coordinator, in consultation with the coordinator's direct supervisor, shall consider the results of the evaluation when determining whether to approve reappointment of the local board member to a successive term. Prior to any reappointment, the member shall complete updated background checks and a progress evaluation.

3.2(6) A quorum is established when a majority of local review board members or alternates are present. A quorum shall be present before cases can be reviewed and recommendations are formulated.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 17A.3 and 237.19.

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489—3.3(237) Removal of a local board member. Rescinded ARC 6676C, IAB 11/16/22, effective 12/21/22.

489—3.4(237) Duties of local board.

3.4(1) Local board reviews. At least every six months, the case of each child receiving foster care assigned to a local board shall be reviewed in accordance with the written protocols adopted pursuant to Iowa Code section 237.16(4) as enacted by 2022 Iowa Acts, House File 2390, section 3, to determine whether satisfactory progress is being made towards the goals of the case permanency plan pursuant to Iowa Code section 237.2. Whenever possible, reviews shall be conducted prior to court review of the cases.

a. Each review will consider the following:

(1) The past, current, and future status of the child and placement as shown through the case permanency plan and case progress reports submitted by the agency responsible for the placement of the child and other information the board may require.

(2) The efforts of the agency responsible for the placement of the child to locate and provide services to the child's biological or adoptive parents, legal guardians, or fictive kin providing the majority of the child's daily food, lodging, and support.

(3) The efforts of the agency responsible for the placement of the child to facilitate the return of the child to the home or to find an alternative permanent placement other than foster care if reunion with the parent or previous custodian is not feasible. The agency shall report to the board all factors which either favor or mitigate against a decision or alternative with regard to these matters.

b. The local board may request an investigation of any problems, solutions, or alternatives with regard to the best interest of the child or of the state.

c. Each review shall include any oral, written, or recorded statements submitted by any person notified pursuant to Iowa Code section 237.20(4).

d. A person who gives an oral statement has the right to representation by counsel at the review. An oral statement may, upon the request of an interested party or upon motion of the local board, be given in a private setting. Local board questions shall pertain to the permanency plan and shall not include issues that do not pertain to the permanency plan.

3.4(2) Findings and recommendations. The local board shall submit the findings and recommendations to the appropriate court and the department within 15 days after the review. The findings and recommendations shall include the proposed date of the next review by the local board. The report to the court shall include information regarding the permanency plan and the progress in attaining the permanency goals. The local board shall send a copy of the findings and recommendations to the persons specified in subrule 3.4(3) within 15 days following the review.

3.4(3) The local board shall notify the following persons at least ten days prior to the review of the case of a child receiving foster care:

a. The person, court, or agency responsible for the child.

b. The parent or parents of the child unless termination of parental rights has occurred pursuant to Iowa Code section 232.117 or chapter 600A.

c. The foster care provider of the child.

d. The child receiving foster care, if the child is 14 years of age or older. The child shall be informed of the review's purpose and procedure, and of the right to have a guardian ad litem present.

e. The guardian ad litem of the foster child. The guardian ad litem shall be eligible for compensation through Iowa Code section 232.141(2).

f. The department.

g. The county attorney.

h. The person providing services to the child.

i. The child's attorney.

j. Any intervenor.

The notice shall include a statement that the person notified has the right to representation by counsel at the review.

3.4(4) The local board shall encourage placement of the child in the most appropriate setting reflecting the provisions of Iowa Code chapter 232.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 17A.3 and 237.20.

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489—3.5(237) Local board coordinator. Rescinded **ARC 6676C**, IAB 11/16/22, effective 12/21/22.

489—3.6(237) Children eligible for review.

3.6(1) To be eligible for review, the child shall meet the requirements set forth in Iowa Code sections 234.1(2), 234.35 and 237.15.

3.6(2) If the child is not receiving foster care when the six-month review is scheduled, the review may be held if the child has received foster care for a minimum of two months during that six-month period.

3.6(3) If parental rights are terminated, the child's case will continue to be reviewed every six months until the child is placed in an adoptive home and the adoption is finalized.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 17A.3 and 237.18.

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CHAPTER 4
COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATE PROGRAM

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489—4.1(237) Purpose. The child advocacy board is required by Iowa Code section 237.18 to establish procedures and protocols for administering the court appointed special advocate program.

4.1(1) Definitions.

“Administrator” means the person selected by the director to lead, direct and manage the staff and programs established by the board.

“Certified,” when used as a descriptor of a court appointed special advocate, means that an applicant has been determined by the child advocacy board to have the required qualifications to become a court appointed special advocate and has completed the application requirements, background checks, screening and selection process and training established pursuant to the rules in this chapter.

“Coach” or *“CASA coach”* means a duly certified court appointed special advocate volunteer who has received additional training to assist the coordinator by overseeing facets of the court appointed special advocate’s case work.

“Coordinator” means the staff member of the child advocacy board who is responsible for planning and implementation of the court appointed special advocate program in a county or cluster of counties in the state.

“Court appointed special advocate” or *“CASA volunteer”* or *“CASA”* or *“advocate”* means a person who is duly certified by the child advocacy board for participation in the court appointed special advocate program and appointed by the court to represent the interest of a child in any judicial proceeding to which the child is a party or is called as a witness or relating to any dispositional order involving the child resulting from the proceeding. Unless otherwise enlarged or circumscribed by a court or juvenile court having jurisdiction over the child or by operation of law, the duties of a court appointed special advocate with respect to a child pursuant to Iowa Code section 237.24 as enacted by 2022 Iowa Acts, House File 2390, section 15, shall include the following:

1. Conducting in-person interviews with the child every 30 days, if the child’s age is appropriate for the interview, and interviewing each parent, guardian, or other person having custody of the child, if authorized by counsel.
2. Visiting the home, residence, or both home and residence of the child and any prospective home or residence of the child, including each time placement is changed.
3. Interviewing any person providing medical, mental health, social, educational, or other services to the child.
4. Obtaining firsthand knowledge, if possible, of the facts, circumstances, and parties involved in the matter in which the court appointed special advocate is appointed.
5. Attending any depositions, hearings, and trial proceedings in the matter in which the court appointed special advocate is appointed for the purpose of supporting the child and advocating for the child’s protection.
6. Assisting the transition committee in the development of a transition plan if the child’s case permanency plan calls for the development of a transition plan.
7. Submitting a written report to the juvenile court and to each of the parties identified in Iowa Code section 237.21(4) as amended by 2022 Iowa Acts, House File 2390, section 13, prior to each court hearing, unless otherwise ordered by the court. The report shall include, but not be limited to, the identified strengths and concerns of the child and the child’s family, along with recommendations about the child’s placement and best interest.

4.1(2) Program mission. CASA of Iowa trains and supports community volunteers to advocate for a safe and permanent home for children who have experienced abuse and neglect, and works collaboratively to ensure their voice is heard.

4.1(3) Program goal. The CASA program will provide certified advocates for every child who has experienced abuse or neglect and for whom an advocate is authorized by an Iowa court.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 17A.3 and 237.18.

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489—4.2(237) Program requirements.

4.2(1) *Establishing additional procedures and protocols.*

a. The state board is responsible for establishment of procedures and protocols consistent with the Iowa Code.

b. Responsibility is delegated by the state board to the administrator to establish and submit to the board for approval a program policy and procedures manual that provides detailed guidance to child advocacy board staff and volunteers on application of these rules and the statutes that govern the operation of the court appointed special advocate program.

c. Child advocacy board staff and volunteers are required to comply with the protocols and procedures established by the state board and the provisions of the policy and procedures manual established by the administrator and approved by the board.

d. Day-to-day implementation of program policy is delegated by the state board to administrative staff. Staff is responsible for bringing questions about policy issues to the state board for clarification or changes of state policy.

4.2(2) *Operation requirements.*

a. The state board delegates responsibility to the administrator to hire, train, and manage staff throughout the state to implement CASA programming. The administrator shall determine the number of court appointed special advocates or coaches an individual coordinator may supervise.

b. The state board delegates responsibility to the administrator to provide additional information or guidance in the program's policy and procedures manual regarding the analysis of applicant qualifications and requirements for the final selection of CASA volunteers and coaches.

c. The coordinator is responsible for recruiting, screening, selecting, training and supervising court appointed special advocates.

d. The CASA selection is made in a manner that provides the best match available between the knowledge, skills, abilities, and availability of the advocate and the needs of the child. The assignments shall be made in a manner that avoids conflicts of interest, risk to the child's or advocate's safety, and jeopardy to the program's integrity.

e. Upon selection of the CASA who will serve on an individual case, the court and all interested parties are notified of the selection.

f. The selected CASA continues to serve on the case until the assignment is terminated by the court.

4.2(3) *CASA advocate qualifications.* Potential coaches and advocates shall meet the following qualifications:

a. Possess a genuine interest in advocating for children and their rights and needs.

b. Have availability to complete mandatory duties.

c. Commit to serve on a case until terminated by the court.

d. Have the ability to interact with persons involved in the child welfare system.

e. Have the ability to communicate effectively both in verbal and written presentations.

f. Be at least 19 years of age or older.

g. Not be a person employed by the state board, the department of health and human services, the district court, or an agency with which the department of health and human services contracts for services for children.

h. Agree to use the child advocacy board's data management system for case work.

4.2(4) *Application requirements for CASA volunteers.* All CASA volunteer applicants shall complete the following requirements:

a. Submit a program application to the program office.

b. Provide the names and addresses of at least three nonrelative personal references.

c. Participate in at least one personal interview with the local coordinator.

d. Complete mandatory CASA preservice training.

e. Take a confidentiality oath, administered by the presiding juvenile court judge, or designee, for whom the CASA will be performing official duties.

f. Authorize a release of information for the CASA program to conduct a complete criminal history check of the applicant's background, including, but not limited to, checking records in the court jurisdiction in which the applicant has resided, state criminal records, Federal Bureau of Investigation or other national criminal database, sex offender registry, child abuse registry, and social security number verification. Applicants who refuse to sign required background check releases will not be considered for the CASA program.

g. Individuals with a negative background check finding may be approved to be a court appointed special advocate in accordance with the CASA of Iowa child abuse registry/criminal background check exemption policy.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 17A.3 and 237.18.

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489—4.3(237) Training. All child advocacy board staff and court appointed special advocate volunteers shall complete preservice and continuing education requirements.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 17A.3 and 237.18.

[ARC 6676C, IAB 11/16/22, effective 12/21/22]

489—4.4(237) Adherence to national guidelines. The National Court Appointed Special Advocate/Guardian ad Litem Association for Children has established a national quality assurance system for CASA programs. The primary goal of the system is to strengthen CASA organizations and support their efforts to provide high-quality child advocacy and achieve the maximum level of excellence. CASA of Iowa shall continue to maintain compliance with the standards and, within the limits of available funding, shall deploy resources to maintain compliance in the future.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 17A.3 and 237.18.

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489—4.5(237) Children eligible for assignment of a court appointed special advocate. CASA of Iowa serves any child for whom the court appoints a court appointed special advocate as long as the resources to do so are available.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 17A.3 and 237.18.

[ARC 1375C, IAB 3/19/14, effective 4/23/14; ARC 6676C, IAB 11/16/22, effective 12/21/22]

489—4.6(237) Annual program report. The child advocacy board shall issue an annual report to the general assembly, the governor and the supreme court. The report shall provide information about the number of volunteers providing service through the court appointed special advocate program, the number of children served by the program, and the benefits children and their families have obtained from the program.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code sections 17A.3 and 237.18.

[ARC 1375C, IAB 3/19/14, effective 4/23/14]

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CHAPTER 5
PUBLIC RECORDS AND FAIR INFORMATION PRACTICES
Rescinded **ARC 7698C**, IAB 3/6/24, effective 7/1/24¹

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