



## **Policy Team Charter**

### **Role:**

The role of the NE Connected Youth Initiative Policy Team is to identify policy changes which, if implemented, would impact the direct services and resources unconnected youth receive and the overall system development and sustainability.

**Accountable To:** Nebraska youth ages 14-24 (up to their 25th birthday) and their communities

**Reports To:** Nebraska Connected Youth Initiative Leadership Team

### **Responsible For:**

The Nebraska CYI Policy Team is responsible for:

1. Receiving recommendations from CYI communities and statewide committees on policy change.
2. Review each recommendation for feasibility and priority placement in a policy agenda, including review of allocation of resources for action.
3. Develop an annual policy agenda for the CYI initiative for approval by the state leadership teams.
4. Review policy changes put forth on the state and national level which potentially impact the Connected Youth Initiative and provide briefing to the CYI communities and state teams.
5. Coordinate with system partners and respective policy groups to relay administrative and legislative policies being put forth.

### **Composition:**

The Nebraska CYI Policy Team is comprised of:

1. Up to one representative from each of the CYI communities that have an interest and/or experience in Policy. If communities do not have such a person, the committee will strive for a balance of at least four community representatives.
2. Representatives of state agencies with experience in Policy including but not limited to DHHS, Probation, Crime Commission, and Public Health.
3. Two representatives from Nebraska Children responsible for oversight of the Child Well Being efforts and the Connected Youth Initiative. One of these persons will serve as the co-chair.

### **Chairpersons:**

1. Co-Chairpersons will provide leadership facilitation of the team meetings. One of the Co-Chairpersons will be a Nebraska Children Evaluator for CYI.
2. The other Co-Chairperson will be selected by the group.

**Resource:** Nebraska Children will provide support staff to the Youth Leadership Team

### **Time Commitment:**

The NCYI Policy Team will meet four times per year in person. These meetings may be held in person or by telecommunication as determined by consensus of the committee. Meetings may also be conducted by teleconferencing calls when required and agreed by the group.