**Section 316.10 Purpose**

The purpose of this Part is to describe the independent review processes required by federal and State law for the purpose of ensuring that children and families who receive services from the Department or its child welfare contributing agencies have participation and periodic review of their case plan to determine and ensure safety, well-being, and permanency. This Part also includes a description of the caseworkers' roles and responsibilities in juvenile court hearings.

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