“Minnesota should be the best place to grow up and best place to raise a family – for everyone.”
— Governor, Tim Walz

Minnesota Children’s Cabinet

About the Children’s Cabinet

Minnesota’s Children’s Cabinet is an interagency partnership charged by Governor Tim Walz with taking a data-driven and results-oriented approach to create a state government centered on improving outcomes and aligning resources for all children, youth and families. The cross-agency network of the Children’s Cabinet works to build collaborative relationships with community including those administering services to children.

Child-Centered Government

The Children’s Cabinet is co-chaired by the Governor and Lieutenant Governor with participation from 22 Commissioners across the state enterprise. Its work includes convening of cross-agency senior leaders around goals of the Cabinet. As part of the administration’s commitment to enhancing opportunities for community participation in decision-making, the State Advisory Council on Early Childhood Education and Care and the Children’s Cabinet Advisory Council serve as external advisory bodies to the Cabinet. Staffing and administrative support is provided by Minnesota Management and Budget.

Priority Areas

The Children’s Cabinet will set clear outcome goals and use a results-based accountability lens in priority areas informed by community, including:

- Healthy Beginnings
- Child Care and Early Education
- Mental Health and Well-Being
- Housing Stability
- Educational Opportunity