

THE CHILD IN NEED OF AID

COURT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

**Monitors and
improves the way the
court system handles
child in need of aid
cases.**

**Enhances
coordination between
the court system,
agencies, and Tribes
involved in CINA
cases.**



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ALASKA COURT IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP)

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Members of the statewide CIP committee are appointed by the Chief Justice of the Alaska Supreme Court.

Current members include judges, the Director of the Office of Children's Services (OCS), Tribes, and other state agencies including the Attorney General's Office (AGO), the Public Defender Agency (PDA), the Office of Public Advocacy (OPA) and the Director of the Division of Behavioral Health.

SUBCOMMITTEES

- Curriculum
- ICWA
- Youth Engagement (YES)
- Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)
- CINA Therapeutic Court
- Joint Permanency Project
- NCJFCJ Implementation Subcommittee
- Family Contact Subcommittee
- Permanency Subcommittee
- CINA Rules Implementation Subcommittee
- Anchorage MJ/Scheduling Subcommittee



PROJECTS & TRAININGS

- Bench Cards
- CINA Manual
- CINA Parent Video
- CINA Educational Videos
- CINA Laws eLearning
- ICWA eLearning
- NACC Red Book trainings
- Youth in Court trainings
- Adoption/Guardianship Subsidies Trainings
- CINA Bench Bars
- Qualified Expert Witness (QEW)
- Hearing Quality Improvement
- Quality Legal Representation
- OCS Data Exchange
- CINA Dashboard for Judges
- Youth in Court Handbook
- Youth Rights Handbook
- CINA Rules trainings
- NCJFCJ Enhanced Resource Guidelines training