

Council of the District of Columbia
Committee on Human Services
NOTICE OF PUBLIC OVERSIGHT ROUNDTABLE

1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Room 117, Washington, D.C. 20004

Revised Notice

**THE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES
TOMMY WELLS, CHAIR**

ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC OVERSIGHT ROUNDTABLE ON

**“A DISCUSSION ON ABSCONDENCE AND DYRS YOUTH IN
COMMUNITY-BASED PLACEMENTS”**

MONDAY, JUNE 14, 2010 – 11:00 AM

**THE JOHN A. WILSON BUILDING
1350 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, N.W.
HEARING ROOM 412
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20004**

Councilmember Tommy Wells, Chair of the Committee on Human Services, announces a Public Oversight Roundtable on “Discussion on Abscondence and DYRS Youth in Community-Based Placements”. The roundtable will be held on Monday, June 14, 2010, at 11:00 a.m. in the Room 412 of the John A. Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004. **This notice has been revised to reflect a new date and time for the roundtable.**

This roundtable has been scheduled to discuss the issue of abscondence in light of the recent shooting that allegedly occurred by youth under the custody of DYRS who absconded from their community placement. The Department of Youth Rehabilitation Services (DYRS) will be given this opportunity to provide their definition of abscondence for the public, explain how the abscondence rate for the agency is obtained, share the agency’s current abscondence protocol, and identify ways to effectively work with all the District’s juvenile justice partners to address this community safety concern.

Those who wish to testify should contact Ms. Vivian McCarter of the Committee on Human Services by e-mail at vmccarter@dccouncil.us or by telephone at (202) 724-8191 by June 11, 2010. E-mail contacts to Ms. McCarter should include the full name, title, and affiliation -- if applicable -- of the person(s) testifying. Witnesses should bring 15 copies of their written testimony to the roundtable. Representatives of organizations and individuals will be allowed a maximum of three (3) minutes for oral presentation. Additionally, if you plan to testify and require reasonable accommodations, please contact Ms. McCarter so arrangements can be made by no later than May 10, 2010.

If you are unable to testify at the roundtable, written statements are encouraged and will be made a part of the official record. Copies of written statements should be submitted to Committee on Human Services, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 117, Washington, D.C. 20004, by no later than June 21, 2010, at 5:00 p.m.