

## STATE OF TENNESSEE TENNESSEE COMMISSION ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH

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RE: Invitation to Children's Advocacy Days 2006

Dear «salut»:

The Tennessee Commission on Children and Youth cordially invites you to attend the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Children's Advocacy Days, March 13-14, 2007. On March 13, 2007 we will have an open luncheon from 11:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m. and would welcome your attendance at any time your schedule permits. The theme of Children's Advocacy Days 2007 is "Class of 2025: Looking Forward to a New Future." A copy of the brochure is enclosed. You are welcome to attend any and all sessions.

Children's Advocacy Days 2007 will begin with registration from 9:00 a.m.—10:30 a.m. At 10:30 a.m. the event will kick off with opening remarks by Cindy Durham, TCCY Chair, followed by a challenge to participants by Reverend Edwin Sanders, Metropolitan Interdenominational Church and followed by a legislative update and comments. After lunch, participants will hear updates from the Departments of Children's Services, Health, Education, Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities, Human Services, and CoverKIDS, the Developmental Disabilities Council and the Governor's Office of Children's Care Coordination.

**Please call 741-2633 to confirm your plans to attend the luncheon** so we can reserve a space for you at a table with members of the Regional Council from your area. In addition, Regional Council members are planning to visit you in your office.

Sponsors for Children's Advocacy Days 2007 are Vanderbilt University Child and Family Policy Center, Centerstone, Community Services Agencies of Tennessee, Education Networks of America, Holston United Methodist Home for Children, March of Dimes Foundation-Tennessee Chapter, Metropolitan Nashville Social Services, National Association of Social Workers—Tennessee Chapter, OmniVisions, T.R.A.C. Incorporated, Tennessee Association of Child Advocacy Centers, Tennessee Council on Developmental Disabilities, Tennessee Court Appointed Special Advocate Association, Tennessee Department of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities, Tennessee Lives Count Project, Tennessee Perinatal Association, Tennessee Suicide Prevention Network, Tennessee Voices for Children, and Youth Villages.

We sincerely hope you will make time in your very busy schedule to attend the luncheon. We would be glad for you to attend as much of the two-day events as your schedule permits. We look forward to seeing you as part of Children's Advocacy Days.

Sincerely,

Linda O'Neal Executive Director