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STATE OF MAINE TASK FORCE ON KINSHIP FAMILIES

AGENDA

Meeting #1, August 3, 2010

Room 209, Cross State Office Building, 10 am to 4 pm

- 10 am Welcome and introductions
Senator Margaret Craven and Representative Patricia Jones
- 10:30 am Overview of Task Force duties
Resolve 2009, chapter 136 and Public Law 2009, chapter 571, Part EEEE
OPLA Staff
- 10:45 am Roundtable discussion of kinship family issues
Task Force Members
- 12 noon Break for lunch
Task Force member Barbara Kates will show the 25-minute film Maine Grandfamilies in Room 209 during the lunch break for persons who would like to view the film.
- 1 pm Public comment period
- 1:30 pm Discussion of next steps
What are the issues facing children, birth, kinship and fictive kin families, providers of services, schools, Indian tribes and the Department of Health and Human Services?
- *Education*
 - *Services and resources for children and families*
 - *Financial support*
 - *Tribal issues*
 - *Multicultural issues*
 - *Legal process issues*
 - *Other issues*
- 3 pm Task Force discussion
Planning for meetings 2, 3 and 4
- *What information does the Task Force need?*
 - *Who might be able to provide the needed information?*

Meeting #2, Tuesday, September 7
Meeting #3, Tuesday, September 28
Meeting #4, Tuesday, October 19