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Iowans invited to give input on children's mental health services in October

DES MOINES – Iowans are invited to provide input on children's mental health needs at regional listening posts scheduled statewide beginning Oct. 2.

The listening posts will be hosted by Iowa's area education agencies on behalf of the Children's System State Board established by Gov. Kim Reynolds through [Executive Order 2](#) in April. The [board](#) is co-chaired by Iowa Department of Human Services Director Jerry Foxhoven and Iowa Department of Education Director Ryan Wise.

Board members will review information gathered from the listening posts as part of their charge to develop recommendations to create a children's mental health system. The recommendations are due to the legislature on Nov. 15.

Listening post details are as follows:

Oct. 2, 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Northwest AEA
940 Lincoln St. SW, LeMars

Oct. 3, 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Prairie Lakes AEA
500 NE 6th St., Pocahontas

Oct. 8, 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Heartland AEA
6500 Corporate Dr., Johnston

Oct. 8, 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Fairfield Arts & Convention Center (Great Prairie AEA)
200 North Main St., Fairfield

Oct. 10, 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Green Hills AEA
257 Swan St., Creston

Oct. 10, 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Carrie Lee Elementary Auditorium (Keystone AEA)
210 Vernon St., Decorah

Oct. 10, 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Central Rivers AEA
9184 265th St., Suite B, Clear Lake

Oct. 11, 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Grant Wood AEA
4401 6th St. SW, Cedar Rapids

Oct. 11, 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Mississippi Bend AEA
729 21st St., Bettendorf

Iowa families who are unable to participate in the listening posts may provide input online in the following ways:

- An online [survey](#). The survey deadline is Oct. 12.
- An online listening post will run from noon to 1 p.m. on Oct. 4.
To join from a computer, visit: <https://zoom.us/j/290354386>
To join by phone, call 1-646-876-9923. When prompted, enter meeting code 290- 354-386.

For more information about the Children's System State Board, visit the Iowa Department of Human Services' [website](#).

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