



**DEPARTMENT of CHILDREN and FAMILIES**  
*Making a Difference for Children, Families and Communities*



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**POLICY BULLETIN**  
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<b>Section and Title</b>	6-5, Administrative Hearings
<b>Related Practice Guides</b>	None
<b>Forms</b>	None
<b>Effective Date</b>	September 20, 2021
<b>Target Audience</b>	All DCF Staff
<b>Purpose</b>	Updated policy to allow for hearings to be held virtually.  Creates additional exceptions for when a removal hearing may be denied by AHU. A removal hearing may now be denied if a child is being placed with a licensed relative or pursuant to an approved ICPC.
<b>Distribution and Review Process</b>	Via all staff email
<b>Sunsetted Policy and Forms</b>	None