STANDING ORDERS IN ALL CHILD PROTECTION CASES IN THE 326TH DISTRCT COURT OF TAYLOR COUNTY TEXAS, AND THE TAYLOR COUNTY CHILD PROTECTION COURT

The following orders are intended to protect children and families and are in the best interest of each child before the Court in any case filed by the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services and its single source continuum contractor, currently 21Ngage, (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Department").

1. **IT IS ORDERED** that hair and nailbed drug tests shall not include detection for the presence of fentanyl unless the Department has a reason to believe that a child has been or is being exposed to fentanyl, and/or there is evidence that a parent or other household member is using and/or distributing fentanyl.

2. **IT IS ORDERED** that, as required by Texas Family Code Section 262.115, the Department shall file a Temporary Visitation Schedule prior to the Adversary Hearing [Section 262.201]. Subsequently, not later than the 10th day before the date of the Status Hearing [Section 263.201], the Department shall file with the court a copy of the Visitation Plan developed as per the requirements of Section 263.107.

3. **IT IS ORDERED** that, as required by Texas Family Code Section 264.107, absent exigent circumstances, or a court order, the Department shall not change a child's placement prior to consultation with the child's attorney ad litem, guardian ad litem, and with any court-appointed volunteer advocate for the child.

4. **IT IS ORDERED** that the Department shall list all placement types, county of placements, and placement changes in the Status Report and each court report thereafter.

5. **IT IS ORDERED** that the Department shall include each respite or other temporary placement stay (e.g. hospital, jail, hotel, overnight in an office, etc.) in the Status Report and each court report thereafter.

6. **IT IS ORDERED** that, upon written request, the Department shall produce to the child's attorney and guardian ad litem the child's common application and Every Child A Priority (ECAP) assessment that is submitted to determine a child's placement.

7. **IT IS ORDERED** that this standing order is effective November 9, 2024.

Signed this 9th day of November 2026.

Hon. Sandra B. Self
Associate Judge
Taylor County Child Protection Court

Hon. Paul R. Rotenberry
District Judge
326th District Court, Taylor County