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**Arizona Advisory Committee to the U. S. Commission on Civil Rights
Announces Public Web Briefing on Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Pediatric Healthcare**

The Arizona Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights is hosting a series of online public panel briefings to hear testimony regarding the potential civil rights concerns related to racial and ethnic disparities in pediatric healthcare in Arizona. The Committee intends to provide the Commission with their findings and recommendations on these topics. The fourth panel in this series will take place:

Panel IV: Tuesday, March 26, 2024, 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm Arizona Time

Zoom Registration Link (Audio/Video):

https://www.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_DH7gnikLTia44fWccVrg7g

Audio Only: (English) 1-833-435-1820 (US Toll-free); Meeting ID: 160 401 9531#

Speakers:

Dr. John Molina, Director, Arizona Advisory Council on Indian Health Care

Alison Lovell, Business Operations Administrator, Arizona Advisory Council on Indian Health Care

Members of the public will be invited to speak during an open comment period towards the last 20 minutes of each panel. Members of the public are encouraged to share their experiences and perspectives on the issue.

Closed captions will be provided. Individuals requiring additional accommodations should contact atrevino@usccr.gov at least 7 business days prior to the meeting to make the request. The Committee will also accept written comments related to this study. Please send written statements on this topic to Angelica Trevino, at atrevino@usccr.gov by September 23, 2024.

Committee Chair Leslie Ross said, “Our Committee is interested in hearing from Arizona families about their experiences accessing and obtaining quality pediatric medical care. The Committee is committed to ensuring a healthy community by safeguarding Arizona families’ ability to obtain equal access to safe and quality medical intervention regardless of race, ethnicity or national origin. For families who have experienced disparities in access to or quality of medical care provided to their children based on race or national origin, the Committee hopes to hear from you in order to provide practical recommendations to Tribal, Federal, State, and local authorities to ensure equal healthcare to all Arizonans.”

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