

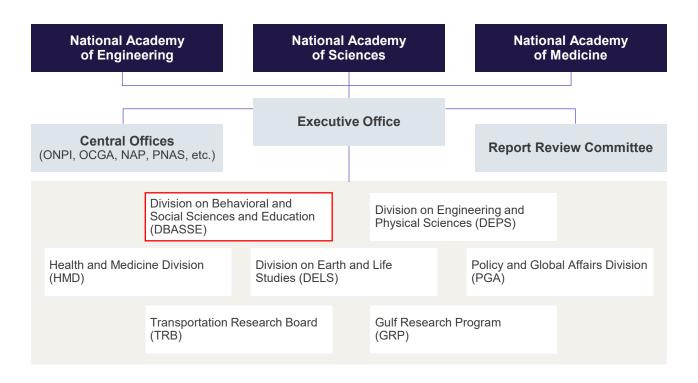
Committee on Improving the Health and Wellbeing of Children and Adolescents Through Health Care System Transformation

Division of Behavioral and Social Sciences and Education (DBASSE) Board on Children, Youth, and Families (BCYF)



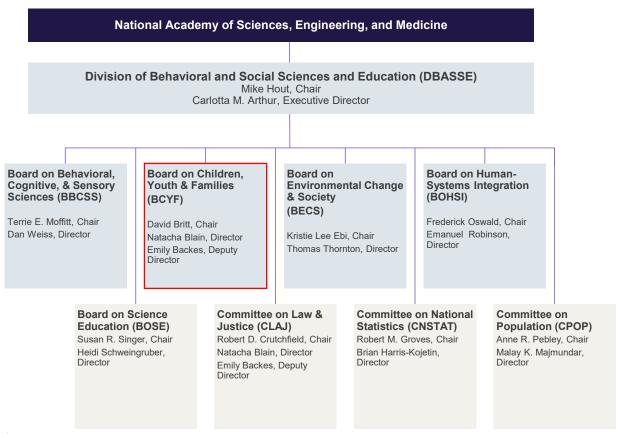
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National Academies' Capabilities

Provide Consensus Advice Convene Experts Manage Original Research and Promote the Scientific **Analysis** Enterprise

Consensus Studies

- ✓ Provide scientific evidence and advice to help policy makers and others make informed decisions
- ✓ Unbiased, authoritative advice
- ✓ All advice given in writing
- ✓ Provide neutral venue for open dialogue and discussion
- ✓ National Academies "Gold Standard"

Committee Membership

- ✓ Diverse, balanced range of interdisciplinary expertise related to the statement of task
- ✓ Potential nominees widely vetted
- ✓ Appointments made by President of National Academy of Sciences
- ✓ Before membership is finalized:
 - √ Formal public comment period
 - ✓ Hold discussion of balance, conflict of interest, and bias
- √ Volunteers serve without compensation and as individuals (not representatives of organizations or interest groups)

Our Unique Study Process

Committee **Report Review** Meeting, and Approval Information Gathering, Deliberations, Report and Drafting Released Report Committee **Communications Study Defined** Selection and **Approval Communication Strategy**

Committee Process

- ✓ Statement of task: determines scope, focus and expertise
- ✓ Confidential deliberations are key
 - ✓ shield members from political or policy pressures
 - ✓ allows modulation of diverse viewpoints and types of expertise in order to achieve new insights and interpretations of evidence
- ✓ Draft report remains confidential throughout

Committee Meetings: Open and Closed Sessions



Closed Sessions:

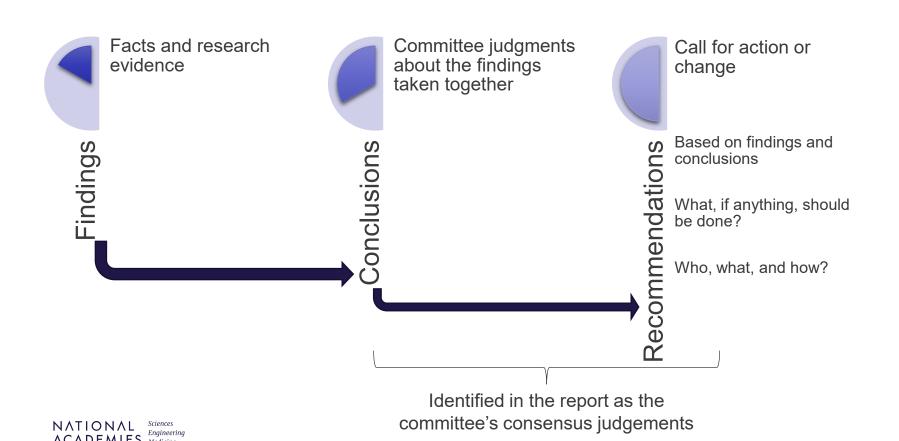
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Open Sessions:

- Posted on website
- Open to public, invited visitors, sponsor
- Information-gathering

Findings, Conclusions, & Recommendations



Report Review

- ✓ Independent, confidential review of draft report by outside experts
- ✓ Focus of review: does evidence support conclusions and recommendations?
- √ Report revised by committee in response
- ✓ Institution approves the report after revisions are complete

Report Release and Dissemination

- ✓ Sponsor briefed on final report just ahead of public release
- ✓ Report appears on National Academies Press website as free downloadable pdf
- ✓ Communications activities can include press release, webinar, public briefings, report highlights, social media, other tools

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