

Making Reasonable Efforts Findings in a Pandemic

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The image shows a YouTube video player thumbnail. The title is "Reasonable Efforts" with a sub-title "THE COURT'S ROLE: JUDICIAL OVERSIGHT". The main text on the slide reads: "The Court holding the child welfare agency accountable for making reasonable or active efforts is not just a best practice. It's the law!". Below the text is a photograph of a young girl pointing upwards. The video player interface includes a play button, a "Watch later" button, a "Share" button, and a "Watch on YouTube" button. The date "October 6, 2020" and the channel name "NCJFCJ" are visible at the bottom.

This webinar, taught by NCJFCJ Past President Judge R. Michael Key, will assist juvenile and family courts in understanding the importance of examining reasonable efforts during the current pandemic. The webinar will cover why a "no reasonable efforts finding" can be controversial, but very important given the current climate. Finally, with the return to schools and daycares, the webinar will discuss how to prepare for a potential increase in cases and how reasonable efforts findings fit in.

Learning Objectives

1. Participants will learn how the lack of available services during the pandemic may impact reasonable efforts finding and what to do when this happens.
2. Participants will learn how and why to make no reasonable efforts findings if necessary.
3. Participants will learn how to incorporate stakeholders into planning for an increase in cases.