

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS
CHESTER COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: VISITATION IN DEPENDENCY COURT CASES

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 11-2020

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AND NOW, this 26th day of May 2020, in consideration of coronavirus mitigation guidance for Chester County by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, it is hereby **ORDERED** and **DECREED** that visitation between children under the jurisdiction of the Dependency Court and their families shall be as follows:

1. All in-person visitation shall continue to be suspended until Chester County is deemed to move to the “green phase” as defined by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. All participants of in-person visitation during the “green phase” must follow all CDC and Pennsylvania Department of Health guidelines.
2. If either a child or family member resides in a “red phase” or a “yellow phase” county as defined by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, all visitation shall continue in alternate forms that comply with social distancing guidelines set by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and Chester County authorities, including but not limited to video calls, telephone calls, electronic mail, letter writing, and other advanced communication technology.
3. If both a child and the reunification-goal-parent/guardian reside in a “yellow phase” county and all parties are in agreement, which include the Chester County Department of Children Youth and Families, the Guardian ad litem, and the reunification-goal-parent/guardian, the parties may submit a proposal for in-person visitation utilizing social

distancing techniques and personal protective equipment to the Dependency Court for review.

4. This Administrative Order is effective immediately.

BY THE COURT:



ANALISA SONDERGAARD
ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE
DEPENDENCY COURT



JOHN L. HALL
PRESIDENT JUDGE