

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE STATE OF Oregon Judicial Department
FOR THE COUNTY OF CLATSOP

In the Matter of **TEMPORARY**)
MODIFICATION OF EXISTING COURT)
ORDERS RE: VISITATION IN JUVENILE)
DEPENDENCY CASES)

GENERAL ORDER 2020-08

In light of the current State of Emergency and consistent with the Governor's Orders, it may be necessary for the Department of Human Services to temporarily modify the frequency and type of visitation for some of the children in their custody. Because these actions may conflict with existing court orders in individual cases:

IT IS ORDERED that, until further order of the Presiding Judge, all existing orders or judgments of the Juvenile Court of the 18th Judicial District regarding visitation in juvenile dependency cases are temporarily modified as follows:

- DHS may temporarily suspend or limit the manner and frequency of in-person visitation for children in DHS' custody where necessary to maintain familial bonds and to protect the health and safety of the children, parents, foster families and caseworkers.
- During the pendency of this order, DHS is ordered to provide alternative modes of contact between children and their parents and siblings. For any case where in-person visitation is suspended, DHS shall provide written notice to the court, CASA and the attorneys for the parents and children of the suspension of in-person visits, the specific reason for the suspension of the visits and what efforts DHS has made to provide alternative modes of contact.
- Any party may, by motion, request an expedited hearing regarding the modification or suspension of in-person visitation. The Court may schedule a hearing to be conducted remotely depending on the cause outlined in the motion and after balancing the health and safety of the community or the Court may rule without a hearing based on the written submissions of the parties.

This order takes effect immediately.

Dated: April 2, 2020



Presiding Judge, 18th Judicial District