

## **Discovery Gateway Hosts Panel Discussion About**

## Child Mental Health and Covid-19

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Discovery Gateway Children's Museum (DGCM) is hosting a town hall panel discussion on the subject of children's mental health during the ongoing COVID pandemic at the museum that will offer a forum of discovery for parents to ask experts and share their own experiences.

Delving into their experiences, knowledge, and research expertise, the panel will discuss the pandemic's impact on Utah's children and provide families with an open hour of discussion about the concerns and needs of the community.

The panel will be moderated by Children's Museum CEO and Executive Director, Kathleen Bodenlos and three guests including:

- Jen Makin, Owner and Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselor at One by One Behavioral Health
- Jeremy Reynoso, Salt Lake City School District Elementary Kindergarten Teacher
- Andrew Fontes, Utah Pediatrician

"At the children's museum, we are a community resource that cares about every child's learning and mental health," said Kathleen Bodenlos CEO/Executive Director of DGCM. "By providing an open forum for parents to ask experts questions and share their own experiences, we are offering a helpful forum for parents at this free event and hope every parent joins us."

The town hall panel discussion will be held on **Thursday**, **September 30th from 6:30 PM to 8:00 PM** in the Children's Museum Theater next to admissions.

## About Discovery Gateway Children's Museum

Discovery Gateway Children's Museum is located in downtown Salt Lake City at 444 West 100 South and is a contemporary discovery center offering 60,000 square feet of interactive, hands-on fun. The engaging workshops, programs, and exhibits invite the whole family to create, learn, and play together. It is the mission of Discovery Gateway to inspire children of all ages and abilities to imagine, discover, and connect with their world to make a difference. For information, please call (801) 456-5437 ext. 136, or visit us at www.DiscoveryGateway.org.

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