

The Story of the Children's Bureau, Changing Times, Reshaping Priorities: 1961–1986

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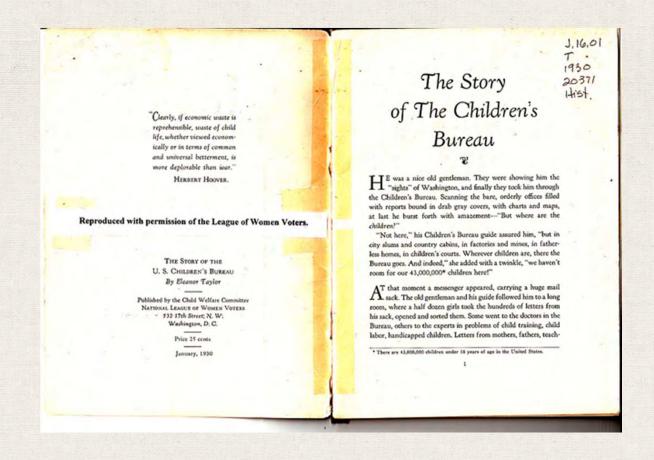


Agenda

- CB in the late 50s, strengthening family life, Social Security amendments, staff training, and health programs
- 1960s the Kennedy administration and CB's 50th birthday
- 1970s focus on foster care and adoption and the passage of CAPTA
- 1980s critical changes and additional legislation







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Katherine Oettinger with President John F. Kennedy, at the 50th Anniversary Celebration of the Children's Bureau

"The kind of vision we have in regard to children will largely determine the future of the world."

— Katherine Oettinger, Fifth Chief of the Children's Bureau

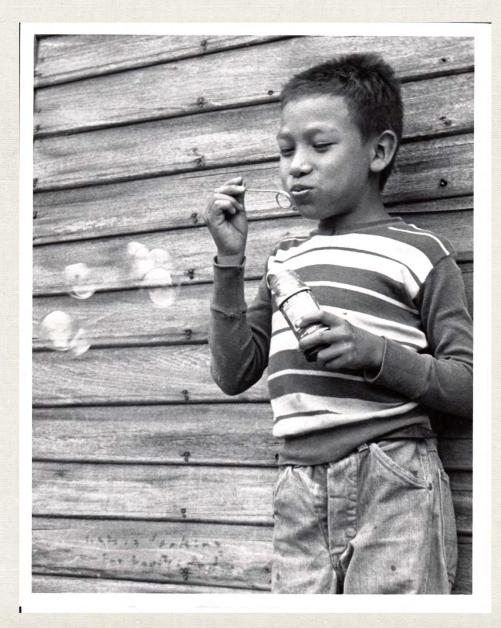




North Carolina Welfare Homemaker program, ca. 1960s







Child at play, ca. 1950s







Adoptive parents and their son, ca. 1960s







Goal: "To promote opportunities for children and youth to realize their full potential for a creative life in freedom and dignity."





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AN INTERDISCIPLINARY JOURNAL FOR THE PROFESSIONS SERVING CHILDREN

Programs for Juvenile Offenders
Care of Disturbed Children
Understanding Foster Parents
Use of Case Conferences

In the early 1960s, attention focused on juvenile delinquency, among other topics.







The Kennedy Administration







President Kennedy addressing an audience, ca. 1960s.







A little girl in art class, ca. early 1960s







Children at play in Washington, DC, ca. early 1960s







Teenage gang members arrested in Brooklyn, 1959





Zighty-eighth Congress of the United States of America

AT THE FIRST SESSION

Begun and held at the City of Washington on Wednesday, the ninth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and sixty-three

An Act

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the Maternal and Child Health and Mental Retardation Planning Amendments of 1963".

INCREASE IN MATERIAL AND CHILD HEALTH SERVICES

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INCREASE IN CRIPPLED CHILDREN'S SERVICE

Size. 3. (a). The first sentence of section 51 of the Social Security Act is amended by striking out "there is hereby authorized to be appropriated for each fiscal year beginning after June 30, 1980, the sum of \$82,000,000" and inserting in lies thereof "the following sums re hereby authorized to be appropriated: \$82,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1983, \$80,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1983, \$80,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1983, \$80,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1983, \$80,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1983, \$80,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1983, \$80,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1983, \$80,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1970, and succeeding fiscal year, and \$80,000,000 each; for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1970, and succeeding fiscal years.

PUBLIC LAW 88 - 164 S. 1576

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An Act

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "Mental Retardation Facilities and Community Mental Health Centers Construction Act of 1963".

TITLE I—CONSTRUCTION OF RESEARCH CENTERS AND FACILITIES FOR THE MENTALLY RETARDED

SEC. 100. This title may be cited as the "Mental Retardation Facilities Construction Act".

Sec. 101. Title VII of the Public Health Service Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new part:

"PART D—CENTERS FOR RESEARCH ON MENTAL RETARDATION AND RELATED ASPECTS OF HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

"SEC. 761. There are authorized to be appropriated \$6,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1964, \$8,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1964, \$8,000,000 each for the fiscal year ending year 30, 1965, and \$8,000,000 each for the fiscal year ending grants to assist in meeting the costs of construction of healthless for grants to assist in meeting the costs of construction of healthless for exeasors, or research and related purposes, relating to human davelopment, whether biological, medical, social, or behavioral, which retardation, or in finding means of ameliorating the effects of mental retardation. Sums so appropriated shall remain available until expended for payments with respect to projects or which and approved by the Surgeon General thereunder before July 1, 1908.

"Sec. 762. (a) Applications for grants under this part with respect to any facility may be approved by the Surgeon General only if—

"(1) the applicant is a public or nonprofit institution which
the Surgeon General determines is competent to engage in the
type of research for which the facility is to be constructed; and
"(2) the application contains or is supported by reasonable
assurances that (A) for not less than twenty years after completion of construction, the facility will be used for the research,
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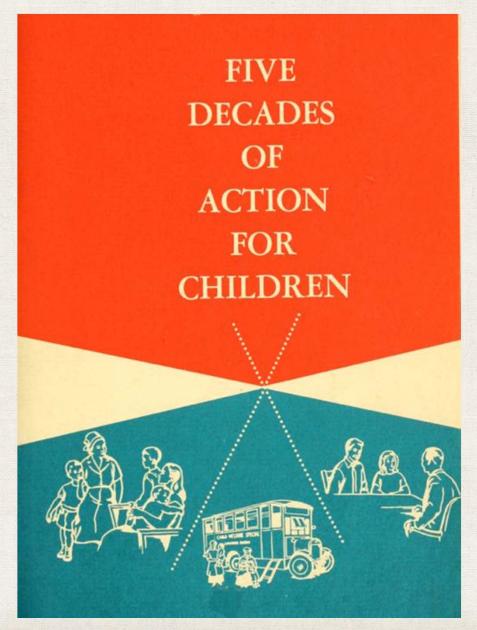




Children's Bureau's Golden Anniversary







"Society moves forward in terms of what its care, hopes, and aspirations are for its children. With pride and dedication, the Children's Bureau begins a new half century."

— Katherine Oettinger







Nursery school, date unknown







A young Cuban refugee, ca. 1961







President Lyndon B. Johnson surrounded by elementary schoolchildren during their visit to the White House, ca. 1967

Great Society/Focus on youth





U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

JAMES J. DAVIS; Secretary

CHILDREN'S BUREAU

GRACE ABBOTT, Chief

JUVENILE-COURT STANDARDS

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY THE CHILDREN'S BUREAU, AUGUST, 1921. TO FORMULATE JUVENILE-COURT STANDARDS

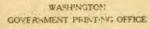
ADOPTED BY A CONFERENCE HELD UNDER THE AUSPICES OF THE CHILDREN'S BUREAU AND THE NATIONAL PROBATION ASSOCIATION

WASHINGTON, D. C., MAY 18, 1923



Bureau Publication No. 121











A ceremony for National Head Start Day (front row from left to right)
Timothy Shriver, Robert Shriver, Danny Kaye, Lady Bird Johnson, Mrs.
Lou Maginn—Director of a Head Start project in East Fairfield, VT—and
Sargent Shriver, June 30, 1965







A nurse cares for a newborn in a hospital maternity ward, ca. 1960s







A child receives
preventive dental care at
the Children's Clinic of
Meharry Hospital in
Nashville, TN (National
Library of Medicine)







A premature infant is placed in an incubator, ca. 1960s







A visiting nurse assesses family well-being, ca. late 1950s



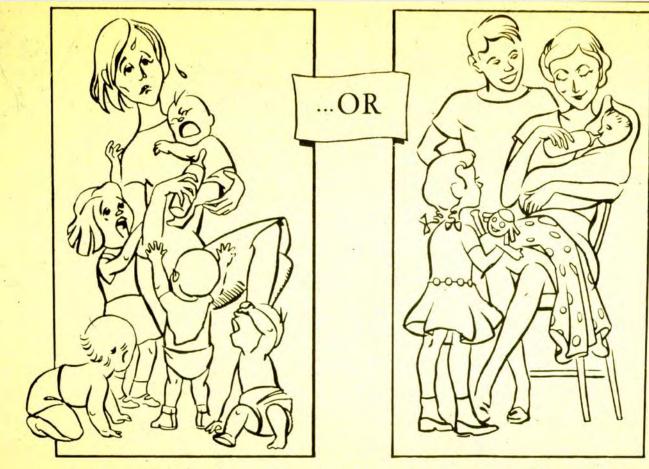




The International
Health Research Act
of 1960 expanded
CB's ability to conduct
research and training
in other countries.







How Many Children Do You Want?

FOR FAMILY PLANNING HELP:







Pardo Frederick DelliQuadri, Chief of the Children's Bureau, 1968–1969



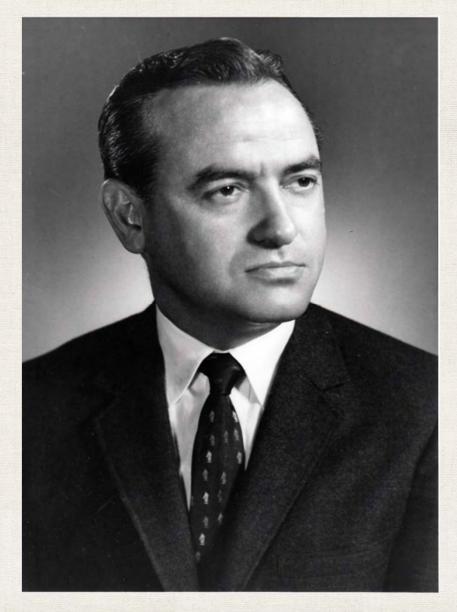




Logo for the United States Department of Health, Education, and Welfare (HEW)







Dr. Edward Zigler was appointed Children's Bureau Chief in 1970.

In an article published in *Children*, he reassured readers, "The Children's Bureau, in its advocacy function, will be even more important and influential under the present organization than it has been in the past."



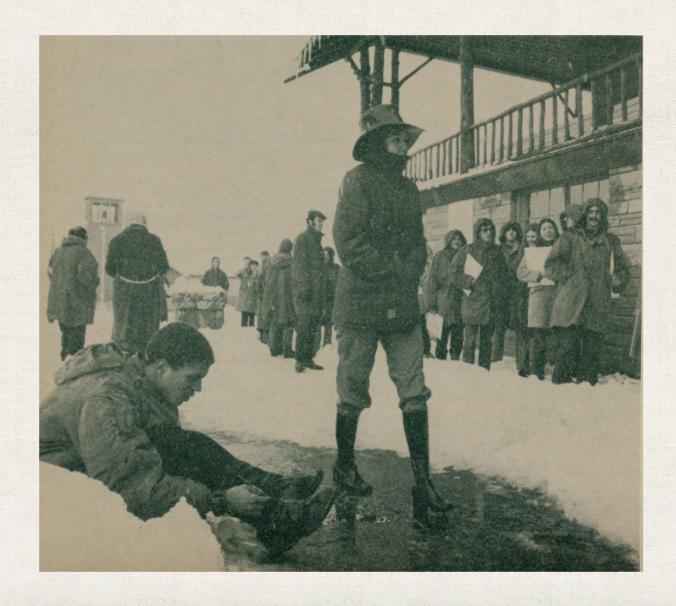




Young people gather at a local YMCA, ca. 1970s







Young people bundle up to attend the 1971 White House conference





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White House Conference on Youth the hospitalized adolescent improving care for the mentally retarded foster parents' conference

The journal, *Children*, reported on discussions during the White House Conference on Youth in 1971.







An adoptive family, ca. 1960s







Dr. Frederick Green,
Associate Chief of the
Children's Bureau, signs
the Foster Children's Bill
of Rights







President Richard Nixon proclaimed the first National Action for Foster Children Week in 1972.



BILL OF RIGHTS FOR FOSTER CHILDREN

insure their welfare.

Even more than for other children, society has a herently belonging to all children. In addition, beresponsibility along with parents for the well-being of cause of the temporary or permanent separation from foster children. Citizens are responsible for acting to and loss of parents and other family members, the foster child requires special safeguards, resources, and

Every foster child is endowed with the rights in- care.

Every Foster Child has the Inherent Right:

family or by plan, a continuing foster family.

have been selected to meet his individual needs and who are provided services and supports, including ing life. specialized education, so that they can grow in their ability to enable the child to reach his potential.

Article III-To receive sensitive, continuing help in and other adults who are consistent role models. understanding and accepting the reasons for his own family's inability to take care of him, and in developing confidence in his own self-worth.

Article IV-To receive continuing loving care and his best interests are safeguarded. respect as a unique human being-a child growing in trust in himself and others.

Article V-To grow up in freedom and dignity in a neighborhood of people who accept him with under- his life. standing, respect and friendship.

Article I - To be cherished by a family of his own, Article VI - To receive help in overcoming deprivaeither his family helped by readily available services tion or whatever distortion in his emotional, physical, and supports to reassume his care, or an adoptive intellectual, social and spiritual growth may have resulted from his early experiences.

Article II-To be nurtured by foster parents who Article VII-To receive education, training, and career guidance to prepare him for a useful and satisfy-

> Article VIII -To receive preparation for citizenship and parenthood through interaction with foster parents

> Article IX-To be represented by an attorney at law in administrative or judicial proceedings with access to fair hearings and court review of decisions, so that

> Article X-To receive a high quality of child welfare services, including involvement of the natural parents and his own involvement in major decisions that affect

The Bill of Rights for Foster Children, developed after the National Action for Foster Children week in 1973







Six-year-olds enjoy a school snack, ca. early 1970s







Nurse and children at Junior Village in Washington, DC, ca. late 1950s







Pediatrician Henry Kempe and colleagues authored "The Battered Child Syndrome" in the *Journal of the American Medical Association*







Thanks to CB's efforts, all States enacted child abuse reporting laws by the end of 1967.







Richard Nixon signed CAPTA on January 31, 1974.





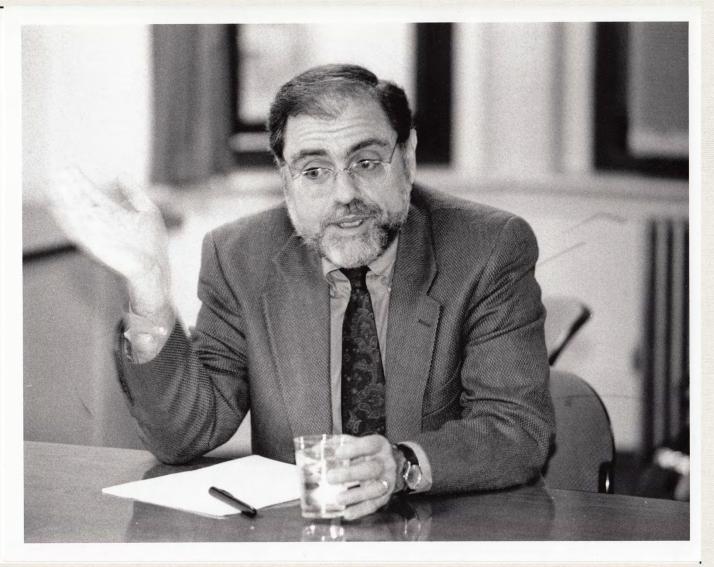


"All citizens must recognize the critical need to strengthen the family so that it can better cope with periods of stress."

— Douglas J. Besharov, J.D., (right) at an NCCAN meeting, ca. 1978







Douglas J. Besharov, speaking at a meeting at Boston University, ca. 1970s

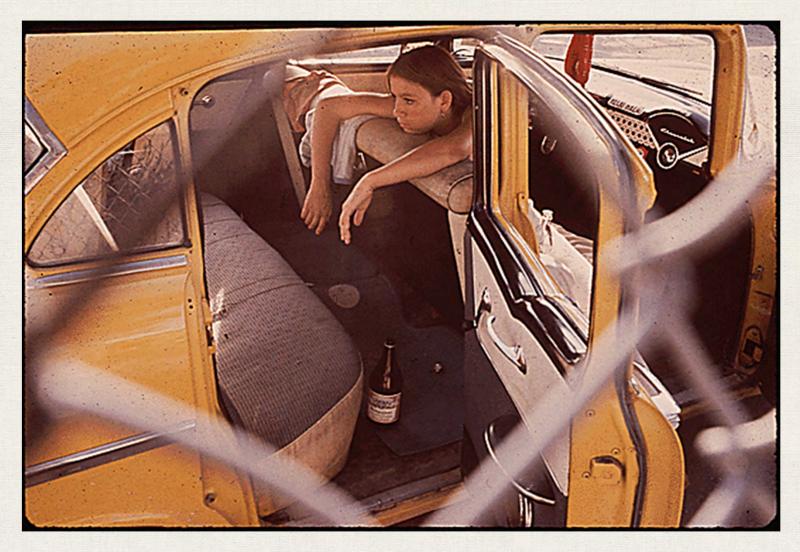


In providing training and technical assistance to States and communities, early NCCAN efforts focused on the following seven elements of effective child protection systems, all of which are still emphasized today:

- Accurate knowledge of the true incidence of child maltreatment
- Strong and well-publicized reporting laws
- Well-maintained central registers of child maltreatment reports
- An adequate supply of specially trained child protective workers
- Treatment programs for parents and children
- Effective court systems
- Interdisciplinary cooperation







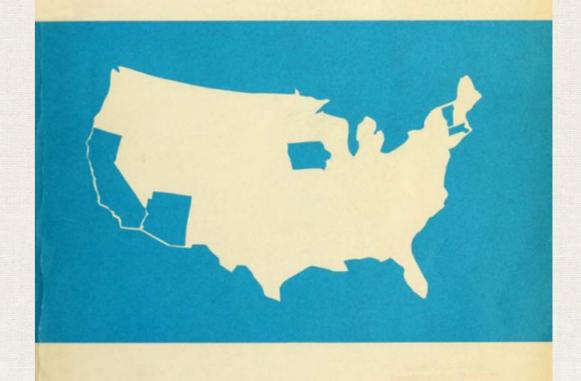
During the mid-1970s, there was wider public concern for the plight of children left adrift in foster care.





Foster Care in Five States:

A Synthesis and Analysis of Studies from Arizona, California, Iowa, Massachusetts, and Vermont



Cover of the 1977
Bureau publication
Foster Care in Five
States



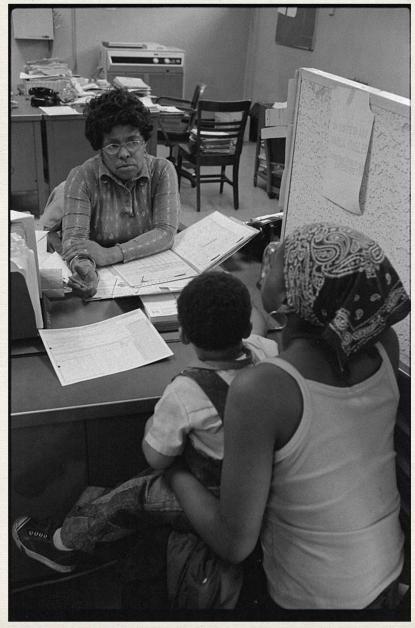




The Henry S. Frieze Building housed the University of Michigan's School of Social Work in the 1970s. It was torn down in 2007, and the school moved to a new location.







Woman and her child at the New York City welfare office, ca. 1976







"The whole field of services to children and youth has become energized, in the last few years, by family awareness."

— Blandina Cardenas,

Blandina Cardenas,
 Commissioner of ACYF and
 Chief of the Children's Bureau,
 in Children Today, 1978







Street view of Old Capitol, University of Iowa, ca. 1970s







Homebuilders therapist and a boy read together





REPORT TO THE CONGRESS



BY THE COMPTROLLER GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES

Children In Foster Care Institutions--Steps Government Can Take To Improve Their Care

Social and Rehabilitation Service
Department of Health, Education, and Welfare

State and local agencies responsible for the placing and care of foster children in child-care institutions

- -did not always provide required social services to the children and their families,
- -sometimes paid rates to institutions which were based on unallowable and/or unreasonable costs, and
- did not make sure that physical conditions and services provided at the institutions were satisfactory.

Lack of specific Federal guidelines and criteria to which placing agencies can be held accountable primarily caused these problems.

The Congress should look at the expansion of federally funded foster care services under the Aid to Families with Dependent Children program. This expansion may go beyond the scope of the program originally contemplated by the Congress.

HRD-77-40

FEB. 22, 1977

A 1977 report to Congress outlined steps for improving the care of United States foster children.





The Model State Subsidized Adoption Act

by Ursula M. Gallagher and Sanford N. Katz

t a time when many people are clamoring to adopt children, some children for whom adoption would be the best plan remain in institutions or foster care. Since the majority of families seeking to adopt are interested in infants, and the number of infants available for adoption has been decreasing, the gap between supply and demand has been widening.

The children who are waiting are those with physical, emotional or mental handicaps, children of minority backgrounds, older children and family groups. While there is no central reporting system through which to obtain statistics. the number of these children is generally estimated to be about 100,000. Some children have not been legally freed for adoption because of complicated laws or various social and emotional attitudes toward termination of parental rights on the part of judges and social workers, but the most effective barrier to their adoption has probably been the fact that few adoptive families have been available for children like these in the past. Consequently, many of these children live in precarious situations with their parents or are placed in detention homes, institutions or temporary foster family homes. There they grow up without the stable family life they need. Many of them drift to adulthood without establishing firm ties to parental figures or identifying with other role models. Many lack opportunity to develop their talents to capacity; others, moved from one foster home to another, grow up with the feeling that they are outcasts.

For these reasons, the Children's Bureau, in 1974, awarded a grant to the Child Welfare League of America, with Sanford N. Katz as project director, to develop a Model State Subsidized Adoption Act. The purpose of the Act is to make appropriate adoptions possible, through public subsidy, of each child (under public or private agency guardianship or care) who is legally free for adoption, and who otherwise, because of special circumstances, might not be adopted.

The resulting model act was approved for dissemination by the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare last July and over 6,000 copies of the Model State Subsidized Adoption Act

Ursula M. Gallagher was Specialist on Adoptions and Services to Unmarried Parents, Children's Bureau, OCD, until her recent retirement. Sanford N. Katz, Professor of Law at Boston College Law School, drafted the Model State Subsidized Adoption Act.

and Regulations, developed for voluntary use by the states, have now been sent to State Directors of Public Welfare, State Committees on Children and Youth, voluntary organizations, schools of social work and law and other organizations.

Before we discuss the provisions of the Act we would like to discuss its background and philosophy.

More than 25 years ago, when the seriousness of so many children's situations became apparent, a few professional social workers suggested a partial solution: to provide a subsidy for a child when prospective parents for him or her are in circumstances which make it impossible for them to assume full financial responsibility for the care of a child during his minority. A subsidy would help with: the cost of special medical care that is beyond the ability of many families; the additional expenses incurred because of a child's developmental disability; the limited assets of many minority group families; the special economic drain of supporting three or more children in the same family who should not be separated.

Acceptance of the subsidy concept came slowly. There were many and strong objections to it. First, it was difficult to overturn the traditional idea that an adoptive family must assume responsibility for the total needs of the child. Any form of financial dependence by the adoptive parents, it was said, would diminish their ability to be parents. Some prospective adoptors felt such a program had a welfare connotation and would interfere with their independence as parents; others worried about what a child might think of their receiving money for his or her support.

At first little was done to consider the various questions and to weigh the criticisms of the concept. During the 1950s, a few private agencies provided subsidies in special or unusual situations. These subsidies were paid, for example, for tewiring an adoptive family's house when inspection proved it unsafe, for paying for an additional room to be built because of the family's cramped quarters, for assisting with expenses when a family moved to obtain better employment, or for paying for an adopted child's orthodontic treatment. Most of these subsidies were isolated cases, made in response to a particular need to insure adoption for a particular child. All, however, included financial involvement of the social agency beyond the point of the legal decree of adoption.

It was not until the late 1950s and 1960s that a more formalized concept of subsidized adoption aroused serious attention. The Model State
Subsidized Adoption Act
was designed to increase
adoptions of children with
special needs.







ICPC was drafted in the 1950s in response to hearings led by Senator Estes Kefauver, but, by the 1960s, only a few States had joined.

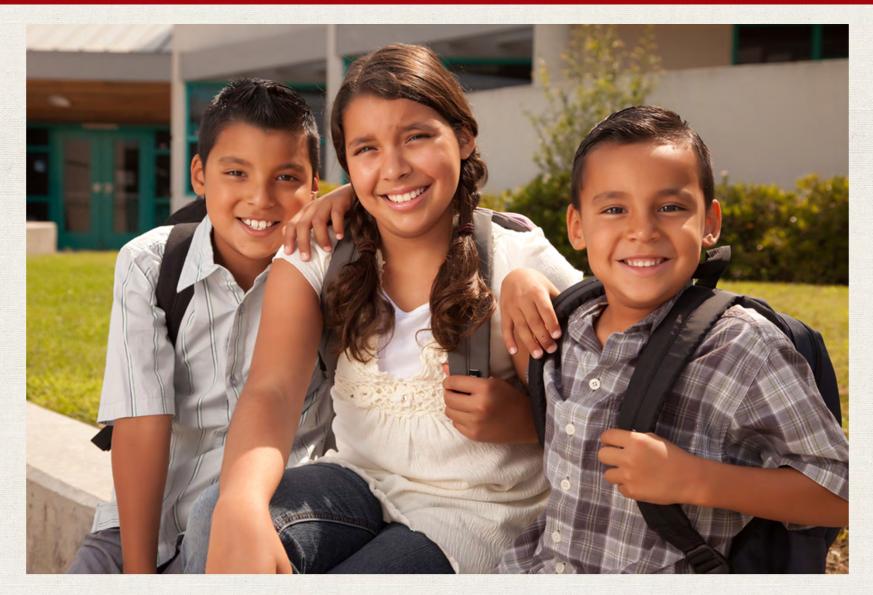






Senator Walter Mondale speaks at a Senate Subcommittee on Children and Youth





In 1980, CB awarded grants totaling \$4.8 million to facilitate the adoption of children in foster care.



Recruitment of adoptive families centered on the theme "You can make a difference."







A Vietnam orphanage in the 1970s







President Gerald R. Ford carries a Vietnamese baby from "Clipper 1742," one of the many planes that transported South Vietnamese children from Saigon





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FROM

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RESERVATION

THE TRANSRACIAL ADOPTION OF AMERICAN INDIAN CHILDREN

DAVID FANSHEL

CHILD WELFARE LEAGUE OF AMERICA 67 IRVING PLACE NEW YORK, N.Y. 10003 The report Far From the Reservation outlined outcomes of Native American children adopted by non-Native families through the Indian Adoption Project.





INDIAN CHILD WELFARE:

A State-of-the-Field Study



A 1976 study showed that 25–35 percent of Indian children were being removed from their homes by State courts and welfare agencies.







Native American mother and child, date unknown







John Calhoun (*right*) is sworn in as the new Commissioner of the ACYF and Chief of the Children's Bureau by Patricia Roberts Harris (*left*), Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare







While Governor, Ronald Reagan requested a GAO Report on the national foster care system.







On June 17, 1980, President Carter signed the Adoption Assistance and Child Welfare Act, P.L. 96-272.





94 STAT, 500

PUBLIC LAW 96-272-JUNE 17, 1980

Public Law 96-272 96th Congress

An Act

[H.R. 3434]

To establish a program of adoption assistance, to strengthen the program of foster care assistance for needy and dependent children, to improve the child welfare, social services, and aid to families with dependent children programs, and for

Adoption Assistance and Child Welfare Act of 1980.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

42 USC 1305

SECTION 1. This Act, with the following table of contents, may be cited as the "Adoption Assistance and Child Welfare Act of 1980".

Sec. 1. Short title.

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Sec. 203. Limitation on funds for training.

Sec. 204. Use of restricted private funds for training programs.

Sec. 205. Emergency shelter.

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Sec. 207. Social services funding for territories.

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TITLE III-OTHER SOCIAL SECURITY ACT PROVISIONS

Sec. 301. Permanent extension of provisions relating to child support enforcement. Sec. 302. Incentives to report earnings under AFDC programs. Sec. 303. Prorating of shelter allowance. Sec. 304. Services for disabled children.

Sec. 304. Services for disabled children.
Sec. 305. Public assistance payments to territorial jurisdictions.
Sec. 306. Period within which certain claims must be filled.
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Sec. 308. Exchange of information on terminated or suspended providers.
Sec. 309. Postponement of imposition of certain penalties relating to child support requirements.
Sec. 310. Continuing medicaid eligibility for certain recipients of Veterans' Administration penalties.

P.L. 96-272 provided further incentive for States to move children toward permanency.





The law's groundbreaking requirements include:

- First Federal assistance to support the adoption of children with special needs
- A requirement that *all States* establish an adoption assistance program
- Mandated preplacement preventive services to help keep children with their families whenever possible





- Mandated permanency planning services and procedures
- Financial incentives for States to refocus child welfare programs on serving families, rather than on placing children in foster care
- A requirement for States to conduct an inventory of all children remaining in foster care for 6 months or longer





ACF	U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES Office of the Assistant Secretary	
Administration	1. Log No: ACYF-PR-82-01	2. Issuance Date: August 2, 1982
for Children	Originating Office: Children's Bureau Key Words: Foster Care; Adoption Assistance, Child Welfare Services	
and Families		

P.L. 96-272

PROPOSED PROGRAM REGULATION

TO: STATE ADMINISTRATORS OF STATE PUBLIC WELFARE AGENCIES; FOSTER CARE PROGRAMS AND ADOPTION ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS UNDER TITLE IV-E OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT; CHILD WELFARE SERVICES PROGRAMS UNDER TITLE IV-B OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

SUBJECT: SECOND NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING (NPRM) - P.L. 96-272, Program Regulations

LEGAL AND RELATED REFERENCES: 45 CFR Parts 1355, 1356 and 1357; P.L. 96-272, the Adoption Assistance and Child Welfare Act of 1980; Sections 470-475 and 420-428 of the Social Security Act, as amended.

ATTACHMENT: Attached is a copy of the Second Notice of Proposed Rulemaking published in the Federal Register July 15, 1982. (Part III)

DISCUSSION: The attached Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) is the second proposal to implement the programmatic provisions of P.L. 96-272, the Adoption Assistance and Child Welfare Act of 1980. This second NPRM on the programmatic provisions replaces the previous version published in the Federal Register December 31, 1980.

Written public comments from State agencies and other interested persons will be accepted through September 13, 1982. Any questions or comments should be addressed to Frank Ferro, Associate Chief, Children's Bureau, ACYF, Fiscal regulations implementing the fiscal provisions of P.L. 96-272, originally published on December 31, 1980 as interim final rules, have been published in the Federal Register on July 15, 1982 as final rules effective August 16, 1982. These rules will be sent under separate cover.

A Notice of Proposed Rulemaking related to P.L. 96-272 was published in the Federal Register on August 2, 1982.







President Ronald Reagan at his inauguration on January 20, 1981







President Reagan with Clarence Hodges, ca. 1981







President Reagan with Dodie Truman Livingston, ca. 1984







Father George Clements founded One Church, One Child in Illinois in 1980.







The National Adoption Information Clearinghouse was established in 1986.





P.L. 98-272 required States to make "reasonable efforts" to prevent the removal of a child from the home and to return those children who had been removed.







The National Center on Child Abuse and Neglect funded regional institutes to train CPS workers in the treatment of child sexual abuse within families.

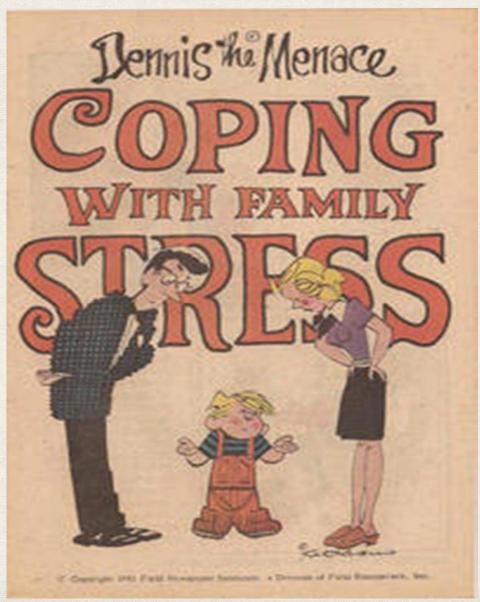






Douglas Besharov, the first director of NCCAN, speaks at a meeting, ca. 1979





Cover of a 1981 NCCAN-sponsored comic book for youth





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Agministration for Children, Youth and Familie: Children's Bureau National Center on Child Abuse and Nanlect



STUDY FINDINGS

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Children's Bureau National Center on Child Abuse and Neglect



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Study of National Incidence and Prevalence of Child Abuse and Neglect:

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The research described in this report was sponsored by the National Center studion for Children, Youth and Families, Office of Human Development S HUMAN SERVICES, under Contract IOS-85-1702. CD-40030(11)

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Report to Congress



U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Administration for Children and Families (ACF) Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation (OPRE) and the Children's Bureau











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National Resource Centers

CB's 11 National Resource Centers (NRCs) provide T&TA in specific focus areas with the goal of helping agencies, managers, family and juvenile courts and other child welfare professionals better serve children and families.

- National Child Welfare Resource Center for Organizational Improvement Offers technical assistance, training, teleconferences and publications to assist states with CFSRs, including strategic planning, quality improvement, evaluating outcomes, facilitating stakeholder involvement and improving training and workforce development.
- National Resource Center for Child Protective Services Focuses on building state, local and tribal capacity through T&TA in CPS, including meeting federal requirements, strengthening programs, eligibility for the CAPTA grant, support to State Liaison Officers and collaboration with other NRCs.
- National Resource Center on Legal and Judicial Issues Provides expertise to courts, attorneys, Court Improvement Projects and state and tribal agencies on legal and judicial aspects of child welfare.
- National Resource Center for In-Home Services Serves as a national center of expertise in child welfare practice for ensuring the safety of children and youth in their homes and making reasonable efforts to preserve families in which maltreatment has occurred.
- National Resource Center for Permanency and Family Connections Provides T&TA and information services to help states through all stages of the CFSRs, emphasizing family-



CB's T&TA Network, as it is known today, has its roots in FY 1986 grant awards.





NCCAN launched a series of User Manuals for child welfare professionals in the late 1970s.





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COLLECTION OF DATA RELATING TO ADOPTION AND FOSTER CARE^[309]



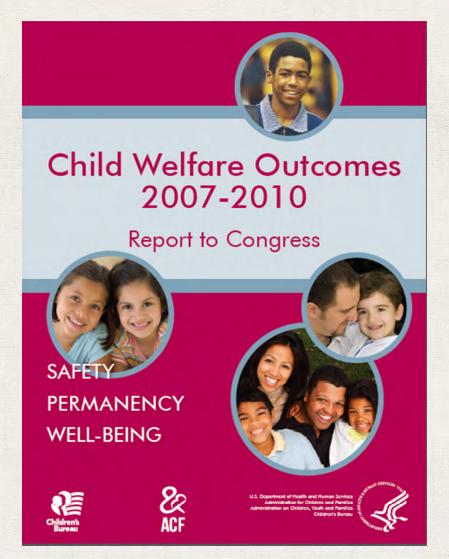
SEC. 479. [42 U.S.C. 679] (a)(1) Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this subsection [310], the Secretary shall establish an Advisory Committee on Adoption and Foster Care Information (in this section referred to as the "Advisory Committee") to study the various methods of establishing, administering, and financing a system for the collection of data with respect to adoption and foster care in the United States.

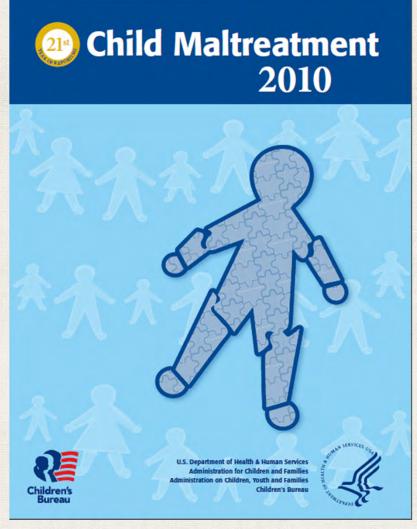
- (2) The study required by paragraph (1) shall-
 - (A) identify the types of data necessary to-
 - (i) assess (on a continuing basis) the incidence, characteristics, and status of adoption and foster care in the United States, and
 - (ii) develop appropriate national policies with respect to adoption and foster care;
 - (B) evaluate the feasibility and appropriateness of collecting data with respect to privately arranged adoptions and adoptions arranged through private agencies without assistance from public child welfare agencies;
 - (C) assess the validity of various methods of collecting data with respect to adoption and foster care; and
 - (D) evaluate the financial and administrative impact of implementing each such method.
- (3) Not later than October 1, 1987, the Advisory Committee shall submit to the Secretary and the Congress a report setting forth the results of the study required by paragraph (1) and evaluating and making recommendations with respect to the various methods of establishing, administering, and financing a system for the collection of data with respect to adoption and foster care in the United States.
- (4)(A) Subject to subparagraph (B), the membership and organization of the Advisory Committee shall be determined by the Secretary.

AFCARS was required by P.L. 99-509, passed in 1986.









CB uses NCANDS data to inform the child welfare field.





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