



**POLICY COLLABORATIVE
FOR CHILDREN
& FAMILIES**

2-1-2023 Mandatory Reporting Task Force Meeting

Background Materials

Materials have been suggested by invited speakers to provide additional context



Child Welfare Policy and Family Separation – Entangled Roots (See attached article)



[Family Integrity & Justice Quarterly](#) – Spring 2022 | Vol. 1 Issue 2
“All I Needed Was a Little Help” – Jerry Milner and David Kelly



[From Child Welfare to Child Well-Being: Dr. Jerry Milner Shares the Power of Prevention](#)



[Rethinking Foster Care by Dr. Jerry Milner](#) (video)



[Lessons for Child Protection Moving Forward: How to Keep from Rearranging the Deck Chairs on the Titanic](#) Richard Krugman and Jill Korbin



Data Visual: NCANDS Flow – Colorado (2021) (Attached)

These dashboards look at the flow at the front end of the child welfare system, beginning with reports accepted for investigation. The visuals can be used to examine different patterns based on who made the report to CPS, the type of maltreatment, the race/ethnicity and age of the children included in the report.

Additional materials:

Structures of Oppression in the U.S. Child Welfare System: Reflections on Administrative Barriers to Equity – Ida Drury, et al. (Attached)

Mandated reporting: a policy without reason, Gary Melton. (Attached)

Although the “discovery” of the battered children syndrome 50 years ago by Denver pediatrician C. Henry Kempe has had a reverberating impact on child protection in the United States and internationally, the resulting system of mandated reporting and an increased awareness of the prevalence of child maltreatment continue to fall far short of fulfilling intentions to protect society’s most vulnerable children.

The Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on Child Protection System Referrals and Responses in Colorado (Attached)

[Child Welfare Practice to Address Racial Disproportionality and Disparity](#) – Children’s Bureau
Bulletin for Professionals April 2021

[Colorado begins to reckon with racial bias in child welfare, where Black kids are way overrepresented](#) – Colorado Sun Oct 19, 2021

