

# **CORE 100: Child Protective Services: Legal Issues**

## **Competencies**

- ◆ 100-1 The Child Welfare Professional can use the state's legal definitions of physical abuse, sexual abuse, neglect and mental injury to determine the validity of protective complaints.
- ◆ 100-2 The Child Welfare Professional understands the proper role of the juvenile court system in child welfare and knows how to use the juvenile court to protect children.
- ◆ 100-3 The Child Welfare Professional understands the caseworker's role and responsibility in the courtroom and knows what constitutes effective testimony.
- ◆ 100-4 The Child Welfare Professional is able to gather pertinent evidence and prepare a case for filing and presentation in juvenile court.