

Public Law 96-272: The Adoption Assistance and Child Welfare Act of 1980

- ✓ Established the requirement that a case plan be developed for each child.
- ✓ Stipulated a six-month time interval in which all cases must be reviewed.
- ✓ Required that agencies document that reasonable efforts were made to prevent placement into foster care or to promote reunification if a child was already in placement.