

Do you work with young children in the Child Welfare System?

This specialized collection is for you!

The Child Welfare Toolkit is full of practical guidance and resources for child welfare and mental health professionals, judges, attorneys and court personnel – anyone working with children and families involved in the child welfare system.

These tools were developed by practitioners, research faculty, and policy mentors for the promotion of Infant Mental Health



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The MI-AIMH Child Welfare Tool Kit

Resources support the infant/toddler's journey through the child welfare system:

Supporting Relationships for Infants & Toddlers With Two Homes

This resource addresses what infants and toddlers who have two homes, including those in foster care need, for sound social and emotional development. This resource is intended for judges, court personnel, child welfare, mental health professionals and caregivers, the booklet includes **guidelines for visitation, suggestions for caregiving across two homes, resources for caregivers and a bibliography for early childhood professionals.**

Baby Bench Card for 0-3 year olds

This two sided resource is intended to **inform decisions** about out-of-home placement, custody, and parenting time of children birth to three in the child welfare system. Three sections provide windows into **important considerations for child welfare and legal professionals**, based on the baby's developmental age: such as: How the world looks to the baby, What a judge, attorney, or foster care worker should ask, **Suggested weekly visitation guidelines** based on the state of the child/caregiver relationship

Guidelines for Comprehensive Assessment of Infants & Their Parents In The Child Welfare System

These Guidelines help professionals **assess any infant or toddler** coming to the attention of a child welfare agency or court, and are helpful in **assessing the capacities of parents/caregivers** with mental illness or developmental disabilities, or in divorce custody cases. Useful for any professional working with children and parents/caregivers, in the child welfare system looking to make **decisions in the best interest of the child.**

Courts, Child Welfare and Infant Mental Health Improving outcomes for abused and neglected infants and toddlers

This book outlines how professionals can **take into account the social and emotional needs** of the infant/toddler within the judicial process. Includes a sample court report, list of resources, and recommendations for specialized training and supervision for mental health specialists. This was an exciting new product in 2008 and many organizations shared widely including The US Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and Families, through their Children's Bureau Express is an on-line digest found **here.**