



# Field Guide to Child Welfare

Comprehensive information about the fundamental competencies of child welfare practice.



## Primary topics covered by the Field Guide:

- *Child welfare values and practice principles*
- *A family-centered approach to child welfare practice*
- *Risk assessment and child safety*
- *Case planning and case management technology*
- *Family-centered direct services to children and families*
- *Casework interviewing strategies*
- *The impact of maltreatment on child development*
- *Traumatic effects of separation and placement*
- *Strategies of child placement*
- *Family reunification*
- *Foster and kinship care*
- *Adoption for children with special needs*
- *Sexual abuse*
- *Cultural competence*
- *Services to children with developmental disabilities and their families*

The four-volume *Field Guide to Child Welfare* by Judith S. Rycus and Ronald C. Hughes, published by the Child Welfare League of America (CWLA) and the Institute for Human Services (IHS), is now available in a searchable web based format.

The *Field Guide to Child Welfare* is the most widely used resource textbook in child welfare practice, and is relied upon by tens of thousands of professionals worldwide with the responsibility for assuring protection and permanence for maltreated children, and for strengthening and supporting their families.

The text is divided into short sections by topic, which can be easily accessed through an exhaustive topic menu, by key word search, or by the book's Table of Contents.

All displayed sections can be printed.

The online version of the *Field Guide to Child Welfare* is available to Ohio PCSA staff at no cost; by going to [www.childwelfarefieldguide.com](http://www.childwelfarefieldguide.com).



## OPERATING REQUIREMENTS:

The web-based Field Guide was designed to operate on PC computers with Windows and Vista operating systems and an updated PC-compatible browser.

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