

Parental Incarceration and Child Welfare Resources To Learn More

The following research articles may be valuable for anyone who wants to better understand the intersection between child protection and correction systems.

1. [Child Welfare Practice to Address Racial Disproportionality and Disparity](#)
Outlines practices that child welfare staff and policymakers can implement to address racial and ethnic disparities at specific decision-making points along the child welfare continuum.
2. [Child Welfare Practice with Families Affected by Parental Incarceration](#)
Provides an overview of the intersection of child welfare and parental incarceration and highlights steps to facilitate parent-child visits during incarceration, include parents in case planning, and work toward reunification.
3. [Minnesota Child Maltreatment Intake, Screening, and Response Path Guidelines](#)
Provides guidance to ensure statewide consistency in the definition and response to child maltreatment. Informs the public about types of child safety concerns that should be reported.
4. [The Importance of a Trauma-Informed Child Welfare System-Child Welfare Information Gateway](#)
Highlights steps to create a trauma-informed welfare system, including State and local program example and how cross-system collaborations can support trauma-informed practice.
5. [Two New MNLET Courses for County Jail Staff in Minnesota](#)
County Jail Staff in Minnesota can participate in two MNLET courses about how parental incarceration impacts children called *Incarcerated Parents and Their Children*.
6. [Safe and Secure, Family-friendly Visiting in Jails and Prisons: A Toolkit for Enhancing Child Visitation Experiences \(PDF\)](#)
A tool to help complete an environmental scan of the county jail to guide conversations with corrections administrators and key stakeholders about opportunities to improve the visiting experience, and reduce stress and confusion for children and families affected by incarceration.
7. [Children of Incarcerated Parents: Tools, Guides, & Resources | Youth](#)
A list of tools, guides, and resources to assist teachers, school staff, youth, parents, and youth-serving organizations in caring for and supporting children who have an incarcerated parent.

