

THE VITAL ROLE OF ADOPTION SUBSIDIES

INCREASING PERMANENCY AND IMPROVING CHILDREN'S LIVES (WHILE SAVING STATES MONEY)

RESOURCES FOR ADVOCATES

STATE ADOPTION DATA TO TAILOR SUBSIDY FACT SHEET

- ✓ For state data on waiting children and time from TPR to adoption, see [AFCARS Data](#).
- ✓ For state data on numbers of waiting children and Title IV-E-payments, see North American Council on Adoptable Children and [Fosteringconnections.org Fact Sheets](#).
- ✓ For state statistics on percentages of foster and relative adoptive parents, see [HHS Data](#).
- ✓ For median state adoption assistance and foster care payments, see 2001 [HHS Data](#).
- ✓ For state percentages of federal reimbursement for children who receive adoption subsidies, see [Casey Family Programs, State Child Welfare Policy Database](#).
- ✓ For state percentage changes in federal Title IV-E funding from 2004-2006, see [Casey Family Programs, State Child Welfare Policy Database](#).
- ✓ For proportions of children receiving subsidies by state, see [HHS Data](#).
- ✓ For information on state subsidy eligibility and maximum rates, see [NACAC's State Adoption Subsidy Profiles](#).
- ✓ For state payments and ranges 1996-2003, see [NACAC Title IV-E Claims and Adoption Assistance Payments](#).
- ✓ For adoptive parent quotes and stories, see [NACAC Adoption Assistance Advocacy Toolkit](#).

STATE CHILD WELFARE POLICY RESOURCES FOR BACKGROUND USE

- ✓ To find state legislatures' websites to search for bills impacting adoption subsidies, see [Library of Congress State Legislature Websites](#).
- ✓ For phone numbers to call and ask state contacts if there are proposed changes to subsidy rates and/or eligibility, see the following lists: [State Adoption Program Managers](#), [NACAC State Representatives](#) and [National Foster Parent Association state affiliates](#).
- ✓ For information about states' budgets, see the National Association of State Budget Officers' [FY13 Proposed and Enacted Budgets](#).
- ✓ For information about states' budget shortfalls, see the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities' [States Continue to Feel Recession's Impact](#).
- ✓ For state adoption assistance statutes, regulations and policies and contact information for state agencies that administer subsidies, see [NACAC state profiles](#).
- ✓ For states' legislative schedules, see the [National Conference of State Legislature's 2012 Legislative Session Calendar](#).