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## **Criminal Justice Issues and Prisoners' Rights**

**<https://www.vera.org/publications/foster-home-child-protection-a-special-services-for-children-study>**

## **Policy Issue Resources**

### **Publication**

This 1981 Vera report presents the results of a study of the problem of abuse and maltreatment of New York City children placed in foster homes. The principal data collection effort for this study was a record survey of substantiated abuse and maltreatment cases that were investigated in 1979. This survey was supplemented by an interview survey of a randomly selected sample of foster parents, foster children, and caseworkers in three agencies. The cases surveyed present a diverse range of child mistreatment.

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