

**441—172.2 (234) Purpose and scope.** Family-centered child welfare services are designed to achieve safety, permanency, and well-being for children.

**172.2(1)** Family-centered child welfare services provide interventions and supports for children who have come to the agency's attention because of:

- a.* Allegations of child abuse; or
- b.* Juvenile court action to adjudicate the child as a child in need of assistance.

**172.2(2)** Family-centered child welfare services shall be designed to:

- a.* Identify and build on the family's strengths and enhance the family's protective capacities;
- b.* Address the risk factors that affect the child's safety, permanency, and well-being; and
- c.* Help the family become connected with community support systems in order to promote greater self-reliance.

**172.2(3)** Family-centered child welfare services shall utilize evidence-based interventions to the greatest possible extent.

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