



Selected state strategies to help foster children succeed

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⁷D. C. R. Kerr, L.D. Leve, and P. Chamberlain, "Pregnancy Rates among Juvenile Justice Girls in Two Randomized Controlled Trials of Multidimensional Treatment Foster Care, Journal of Consulting and Clinical Psychology 77(2009): 588-593. doi:10.1037/a0015289

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¹⁰M. E. Courtney, A. Dworsky, and H. Pollack, "When Should the State Cease Parenting? Evidence from the Midwest Study," Issue Brief, December 2007, Chapin Hall Center for Children, University of Chicago, available at http://www.chapinhall.org/sites/default/files/publications/ChapinHallDocument_1.pdf; and National Conference of State Legislatures, Extending Foster Care Beyond 18, March 11, 2016, http://www.ncsl.org/research/human-services/extending-foster-care-to-18.aspx.

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