

POLICY GOAL 2.10 State law defines child abuse to include child sex trafficking for purposes of accessing child welfare services.

State ¹	Does state law define “child abuse” to include child sex trafficking?	If not, does state law define “child abuse” to include CSEC?
Alabama	No	Yes
Alaska	Yes	N/A
Arizona	Yes	N/A
Arkansas	Yes	N/A
California	Yes	N/A
Colorado	Yes	N/A
Connecticut	No	No
Delaware	Yes	N/A
District of Columbia	Yes	N/A
Florida	Yes	N/A
Georgia	Yes	N/A
Hawaii	Yes	N/A
Idaho	Yes	N/A
Illinois	Yes	N/A
Indiana	Yes	N/A
Iowa	Yes	N/A
Kansas	Yes	N/A
Kentucky	Yes	N/A
Louisiana	Yes	N/A
Maine	Yes	N/A
Maryland	Yes	N/A
Massachusetts	Yes	N/A
Michigan	No	Yes
Minnesota	Yes	N/A
Mississippi	Yes	N/A
Missouri	Yes	N/A
Montana	Yes	N/A

¹ Evaluations of state laws are based on legislation enacted as of August 1, 2021. For more information on the importance of this policy goal, please visit https://reportcards.sharedhope.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/IssueBrief_2.10.pdf.

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Nebraska	Yes	N/A
Nevada	No	Yes
New Hampshire	Yes	N/A
New Jersey	No	Yes
New Mexico	No	Yes
New York	Yes	N/A
North Carolina	Yes	N/A
North Dakota	No	No
Ohio	No	Yes
Oklahoma	No	Yes
Oregon	Yes	N/A
Pennsylvania	Yes	N/A
Rhode Island	No	Yes
South Carolina	Yes	N/A
South Dakota	No	No
Tennessee	Yes	N/A
Texas	Yes	N/A
Utah	Yes	N/A
Vermont	Yes	N/A
Virginia	Yes	N/A
Washington	No	Yes
West Virginia	Yes	N/A
Wisconsin	Yes	N/A
Wyoming	No	No
Totals:	37 states & DC define “child abuse” to include child sex trafficking.	9 other states define “child abuse” to include CSEC.