

Reference & Summary by H. Johnson

Kendall-Tackett, K., Lyon, T., Tallaferro, G., & Little, L. (2005). Why child maltreatment researchers should include children's disability status in their maltreatment studies. *Child Abuse & Neglect*, 29(2), 147-151

- ...notes Sullivan and Knutson 2000 research as perhaps the best study re. the incidence of CA/N among children with disabilities
- ...noted that there is a huge gape in states' ability to protect children who are disabled and are abused or neglected
- ...noted need for additional research concerning this topic
- ...ended noting that children who are disabled and maltreated do not receive the services that they need – that they often go undetected within the child welfare system – that child welfare workers are unaware of these children's increased vulnerability – that the first step for the child welfare system to include disability status as a variable in studies of child maltreatment