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- (6) investigate reports of suspected child abuse and neglect thoroughly and promptly;
- (7) provide for the protection of children who have been subject to physical, mental or emotional abuse or neglect or sexual abuse;
- (8) provide preventative and rehabilitative services, when appropriate, to abused and neglected children and their families so, if possible, the families can remain together without further threat to the children;
- (9) provide stability in the life of a child who must be removed from the home of a parent; and

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- (10) place children in permanent family settings, in absence of compelling reasons to the contrary.
- (c) Nothing in this code shall be construed to permit discrimination on the basis of disability.
- (1) The disability of a parent shall not constitute a basis for a determination that a child is a child in need of care, for the removal of custody of a child from the parent, or for the termination of parental rights without a specific showing that there is a causal relation between the disability and harm to the child.
- (2) In cases involving a parent with a disability, determinations made under this code shall consider the availability and use of accommodations for the disability, including adaptive equipment and support services.

- (d) Nothing in this code shall be construed to permit any person to compel a parent to medicate a child if the parent is acting in accordance with medical advice from a physician. The actions of a parent in such circumstances shall not constitute a basis for a determination that a child is a child in need of care, for the removal of custody of a child from the parent, or for the termination of parental rights without a specific showing that there is a causal relation between the actions and harm to the child.
- Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2014 Supp. 38-2201 is hereby repealed.
- Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

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person licensed to practice medicine and surgery in this state, after medical examination of the child by such licensee