Week 2 - Journal

**Journal**

Child Welfare Services Reflection. Prior to beginning work on this Journal, make sure you complete the Child Welfare Services Simulation Quiz at least once. Once you have completed the quiz, return to this journal and answer the following prompts:

· In several paragraphs, reflect on how decisions are made in child welfare.

· What challenges do you think you would face in making decision regarding the welfare of children?

· How will you overcome these challenges?

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* Chapter 5: Child Welfare Services: Overview and Purpose of the U.S. Child Welfare System
* Portico Network. (2017, March 15). [*Conducting a quick screen for trauma - child interview* (Links to an external site.)](https://youtu.be/rKTYOAI65zE) [Video]. YouTube. <https://youtu.be/rKTYOAI65zE>
* [Conducting a Quick Screen for Trauma - Child Interview (Links to an external site.)](https://youtu.be/rKTYOAI65zE)

NOTE: I have watched and completed the video and here is the feedback that I got and I need to answer all the question on my feedback.

Feedback: While there is a possibility that Sam is being abused, he does not indicate this in his interview. There are times when older children are not very direct about what could be happening at home. (1) What would you do to ensure that Sam is not being abused?

Feedback: There is a strong indication that Sam is being neglected. (2) Describe what would lead you to believe this and what steps you would take to address the neglect.

Feedback You are offering services to his family that include financial assistance and case management. During one of your case visits you find that Sam and his little brother have bruises on their arms. (3) What would your next step be?

Feedback: You are unable to locate a foster home for Sam and his little brother to be placed in together. None of your foster parents will take Sam due to his age, so he is placed in a group home. In the group home Sam is involved in an altercation with another child, and his arm is broken. (4) What would your next steps be?