



## Reports of Child Abuse Involving Other States – Jurisdiction Desk Aid

Child's State of Residency <sup>1</sup>	Child's Current Location	Perp's State of Residency <sup>1</sup>	Location of Abuse	Relevant Law for handling Report	Action Required by DHS	Next Step	Response From Child's State of Residency <sup>1</sup>	Intake Decision	Example Scenarios
Iowa	Here	Iowa	Iowa	232.71B	Regular Intake	----	----	Regular Process	----
Iowa	Here	Another State	Iowa	232.71B	Regular Intake	----	----	Regular Process	----
Iowa	Here	Iowa	Another Country	Doe v. DHS No. 16-0664 (05/03/17)	Regular Intake	----	----	Regular Process	Iowa child is sexually abused by Iowa stepfather while on family vacation in another country.
Another State	Another State	Another State	Iowa	232.71B <sup>2</sup>	Regular Intake	NA	NA	Regular Process	Child and father are now living in Florida. Child reports in Florida that child was abused in Iowa.
Another State	Here	Iowa	Iowa	235A.15(6)(a)	Assuring Safety <sup>3</sup>	Contact Other State	If Other State Refuses to Assess	Iowa Accepts	Florida child abused by Iowa father during visit to Iowa.
Another State	Here	Iowa	Another State	235A.15(6)(a)	Assuring Safety <sup>3</sup>	Contact Other State	If Other State Refuses to Assess	Iowa Accepts	Florida child abused by Iowa father on the way back from Florida.
Another State	Here	Another State	Iowa	235A.15(6)(a)	Assuring Safety <sup>3</sup>	Contact Other State	If Other State Refuses to Assess	Iowa Accepts	Florida child abused by Florida father driving through Iowa, is abused in Iowa.
Another State	Here	Another State	Another State	235A.15(6)(a)	Assuring Safety <sup>3</sup>	Contact Other State	If Other State Refuses to Assess	Iowa Accepts	Florida child abused by out of state caretaker in another state. Child reports while in Iowa.
Another State	Another State	Iowa	Iowa	235A.15(6)(b)	Offer Courtesy Interviews	Contact Other State	If Other State Refuses to Assess	Iowa Accepts	Florida child visits Iowa father. Abused in Iowa. Child reports in Florida.
Another State	Another State	Iowa	Another State	235A.15(6)(b)	Offer Courtesy Interviews	Contact Other State	If Other State Refuses to Assess	Iowa Accepts	Iowa father visits Florida child. Child abused in Florida. Father back in Iowa. Child reports in Florida.
Another State	Another State	Another State	Another State	No Iowa Jurisdiction	Refer to Other State's DHS and Law Enforcement	NA	NA	Iowa Rejects	Child and father are in Florida and abuse occurred in Florida.

<sup>1</sup> Residency is not a prerequisite for initiating child abuse assessment but rather a requirement for how to handle the report of abuse.

<sup>2</sup> If the abuse occurred in Iowa and the victim and perpetrator were present in Iowa when the abuse occurred, it would meet the minimum contacts requirements of due process.

<sup>3</sup> Assuring the child is not in imminent danger, and that Iowa or the other state will conduct an appropriate assessment.