



I am an Anne Chandler. I work to protect immigrant women and girls fleeing violence. As a non-profit immigration attorney, I am conditioned to triage cases quickly. I conceptualize options for displaced children into two bureaucratic acronyms: AWC (Adult With Children) & OTMs (other than Mexicans). These acronyms are windows into various ways displaced children are granted (and denied) the opportunity of obtaining access to protections under U.S. law.

*If you could identify two key aspects of policy or practice that need to be changed to ensure displaced children are not discriminated against, what would you recommend, and why?*

- Recommendation #1: Overturn IIRIRA, repealing the use of Expedited Removal
- Recommendation #2: Ensure that all displaced children, including displaced children arriving with a parent have access to critical legal protections already in existence, including humanitarian laws such as Special Immigrant Juvenile Status.

*If you could identify one critical question that future research should investigate to address challenges with “nondiscrimination”, what would that be, and why?*

- I would recommend researching CBP’s practices along the border, specifically when it comes to their performance of duties to ensure all children (including Mexicans and children arriving with parents) are treated in accordance with US law and the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child.