

## The Latest from OPRE...

In this issue: a look at six of our latest publications, ranging from a guide for implementing parenting interventions to a profile of a Tribal HPOG grantee, announcement of ACF's New Deputy Assistant Secretary for Planning, Research & Evaluation, our work and related projects at APPAM's fall conference, & much more.

## Featured Research and Reports

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### **A Guidebook for Implementing Parenting Interventions**

What do program, state, and child care network leaders need to know in order to successfully implement a parenting intervention? [Explore this guidebook](#) to understand more about the key tasks and milestones of each of the four stages of implementation: exploration, installation, initial implementation, and full implementation.



### **A Look at Our Youth Related Work**

This brief provides a quick overview of OPRE projects that relate to youth, including employment and self-sufficiency, child welfare, teen relationships, pregnancy, and parenthood, and youth development. [Read the brief](#) to learn more about how these studies seek to improve understanding of how best to serve youth.



### **Recognizing and Conducting Opportunistic Experiments**

How can researchers, policymakers, and agency administrators recognize opportunities for experiments and conduct them? [Explore this new report](#) to learn more about the details of opportunistic experiments.



## A Guide to Opportunistic Experiments for Human Services Agencies

Looking for practical, step-by-step guidance on how to conduct a randomized controlled trial? [Look here for guidance](#) on how to conduct them, learn the benefits of using random assignment, and get answers to common questions and concerns about randomized controlled trials.

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National Survey of Early Care & Education

## Using NSECE Data to Measure Selected Predictors of Quality in ECE Settings

How can we use data from the NSECE to measure predictors of quality in ECE settings? [Explore this report](#) to learn more about predictors of quality, as well as descriptive data for each of the selected predictors.

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## Overview and Key Findings from the Cankdeska Cikana Community College Tribal HPOG Program

[This brief](#) provides an overview of the Cankdeska Cikana Community College (CCCC ) Tribal HPOG program (Next Steps), key findings to date, and stories from students who participated in the program. Findings focus on program structures, program processes, and program outcomes and are based on qualitative data from interviews with administrative and program implementation staff, focus groups with the CCCC students, and phone interviews with program completers and non-completers, as well as administrative data.

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## Administration for Children & Families New Deputy Assistant Secretary for Planning, Research & Evaluation - Naomi Goldstein

ACF's new Deputy Assistant Secretary for Planning, Research, and Evaluation is OPRE's Naomi Goldstein. In announcing the appointment, Acting Assistant Secretary for Children and Families Mark Greenberg wrote,

"The creation of this new career position reflects our commitment that ACF be a learning organization with a culture of continuous improvement. In addition to continuing to direct the Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation, I have asked Naomi to begin a process of consultation across ACF on how to strengthen ACF as a learning organization, in which each office and ACF as a whole makes optimal use of a range of tools, including evaluation, performance management, data analysis, learning from and imparting research findings to grantees, strengthening ways in which we learn from the voices of program participants and families, and more."

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## Attending APPAM's 2015 Fall Research Conference next week? Check out the OPRE sponsored research in these session...

### [How Can We Expand Home Visiting to Engage Dads? Strategies, Enhancements, and Early Program Impacts](#)

Thursday, November 12, 2015: 8:30 AM-10:00 AM

Featuring work related to our [Home Visiting: Approaches to Father Engagement and Fathers' Experiences](#) project

### [Behaviorally-Informed Interventions to Promote Human Capital Development in Children and Youth](#)

Thursday, November 12, 2015: 1:45 PM-3:15 PM

Featuring work related to our [Behavioral Interventions to Advance Self-Sufficiency](#) project and our Emily Schmitt ( [@epschmitt](#) )

### [Demand Driven Training Programs for Low Wage Workers](#)

Thursday, November 12, 2015: 1:45 PM-3:15 PM

Featuring work related to our [Pathways for Advancing Careers and Education](#) project

### [Two-Generation Programs in Head Start: Three Experimental Studies of Parent and Child Interventions](#)

Thursday, November 12, 2015: 1:45 PM-3:15 PM

Featuring work related to our [Head Start University Partnership Grants: Dual-Generation Approaches](#)

### [Using Evidence Reviews to Inform Policy: Promise and Cautions](#)

Thursday, November 12, 2015: 1:45 PM-3:15 PM

Featuring work related to our [Employment Strategies for Low-Income Adults Evidence Review](#) project

### [Lessons Learned from the Federal Home Visiting Program](#)

Thursday, November 12, 2015: 3:30 PM-5:00 PM

Featuring work related to our [Mother and Infant Home Visiting Program Evaluation](#) project and our Nancy Margie

### [Patterns of Early Childhood Education Quality: Associations with Policy and Learning](#)

Thursday, November 12, 2015: 3:30 PM-5:00 PM

Featuring our Ivelisse Martinez-Beck

### Policy Implementation Research: New Methods and Models

Thursday, November 12, 2015: 3:30 PM-5:00 PM

Featuring work from one of our Family Self-Sufficiency and Stability Consortium scholars

### Methods for Understanding Impact Variation

Saturday, November 14, 2015: 8:30 AM-10:00 AM

Featuring work related to our Health Profession Opportunity Grants Impact Study project and our Hilary Forster

### Systems Change Analysis of the Health Profession Opportunity Grants Initiative

Saturday, November 14, 2015

Featuring work related to our National Implementation Evaluation of the Health Profession Opportunity Grants to Serve TANF Recipients and Other Low-Income Individuals project

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## Recently Released Reports

New [Disadvantaged Youth: Ongoing Research and Program Evaluation Efforts](#)

New [Implementing Parenting Interventions in Early Care and Education Settings: A Guidebook for Implementation](#)

New [Advancing Evidence-Based Decision Making: A Toolkit on Recognizing and Conducting Opportunistic Experiments in the Family Self-Sufficiency and Stability Policy Area](#)

New [Learning What Works: A Guide to Opportunistic Experiments for Human Services Agencies](#)

New [Measuring Predictors of Quality in Early Care and Education Settings in the National Survey of Early Care and Education](#)

New [Cankdeska Cikana Community College Tribal Health Profession Opportunity Grants \(HPOG\) Program-Overview and Preliminary Outcomes](#)

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## Plain Language Tip

### Use Simple Words and Phrases

Simple words help you express your message clearly.

Instead of: "subsequently"

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