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Featured Research and Reports



[The Developmental Progress of Children and Families in American Indian & Alaska Native Head Start Programs](#)

Read this brief to learn about the knowledge, skills, and physical health progress of children and families as they complete a program year.



[The Children and Families in American Indian and Alaska Native \(AI/AN\) Head Start Programs](#)

Explore this portrait of the characteristics, development, and well-being of children and families in AI/AN Head Start at the beginning of the program year.



Implementation of Evidence-Based Early Childhood Home Visiting: Results from MIHOPE

Explore this report on the home visiting services families received and variations in those services across family, staff, and local program characteristics.



Details on the Intermediate Follow-Up of the Pathways for Advancing Careers and Education (PACE) Study

Explore the analysis plan for the PACE intermediate follow-up study, covering three years after random assignment.



Understanding Fathers' Participation in Responsible Fatherhood Programs

Explore findings about the association between program participation and father and program characteristics in Parents and Children Together evaluation programs.



Implementation and Early Impact Findings from an Occupational Training Program in Des Moines, IA

Learn how Des Moines Area Community College implemented its *Workforce Training Academy Connect Program* and explore early impacts for students.



Tips for Teaching Healthy Marriage & Relationship Education in High Schools

Check out five practical tips for healthy marriage and relationship education practitioners interested in teaching in high schools.



Understanding Causal Validity in Non-Experimental Research

Learn key considerations for developing standards to assess the causal validity of non-experimental designs.



Implementation of the Lifelong Learning Initiative (LLI) Goal-Oriented Approach to Employment

Learn more about the early implementation of LLI in Ramsey County, Minnesota, an approach to helping TANF recipients develop executive skills as they work towards positive employment outcomes.



Implementation and Early Impact Findings from the Patient Care Pathway Program

Explore implementation and early impact findings from the program operated by Madison College in Madison, Wisconsin.

Fellowship Opportunities - Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD)

SRCD is accepting applications for their congressional and executive branch federal fellowships (**applications due 12/14/18**) and pre-doctoral and post-doctoral state policy fellowships (**letters of intent due 12/21/18**) on early childhood policy.

Fellowship Opportunity - National Poverty Fellows Program

The Institute for Research on Poverty is accepting applications for a postdoctoral fellowship for 2019-2020 in residence with us at the Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation (**applications due 11/28/18**).

OPRE at APPAM 2018 Fall Research Conference

APPAM's Fall Research Conference at the Washington Marriott Wardman Park starts today. Check out the sessions below featuring our sponsored research and make your own OPRE track at the conference!

Thursday, November 8

Promoting Program Improvement through TANF Data Innovation

8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

Room: 8224 - Lobby Level

Featuring work related to our [TANF Data Innovation Project](#) and our Nicole Deterding (@NMDeterding)

[Measuring Soft Skills for Evaluations and Policy: Challenges and Innovations](#)

10:15 AM - 11:45 AM

Room: Lincoln 3 - Exhibit Level

Featuring work related to our [Goal-Oriented Adult Learning in Self-Sufficiency \(GOALS\) Project](#) and our Hilary Forster

[Home Visiting Innovations for Research and Practice](#)

10:15 AM - 11:45 AM

Room: Tyler - Mezz Level

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

[Behavioral Science for Policies Impacting Vulnerable Families: New Innovations from Theory and the Field](#)

10:15 AM - 11:45 AM

Room: 8224 - Lobby Level

Featuring our Emily Schmitt (@epschmitt)

[Moving Beyond Statistical Significance: The Basie \(BAyeSian Interpretation of Estimates\) Framework for Interpreting Findings from Impact Evaluations](#)

1:30 PM - 2:15 PM

Room: Innovation Lounge (near registration)

Featuring work related to our [Methods Inquiries Project](#)

[Issues in Employment and Education](#)

1:45 PM - 3:15 PM

Room: 8212 - Lobby Level

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

[Information Benefits and Statistical Challenges of Complex Multi-Armed](#)

Trials: Innovative Designs for Nuanced Questions

1:45 PM - 3:15 PM

Room: Lincoln 3 - Exhibit Level

Featuring work related to our **Health Profession Opportunity Grants (HPOG) Impact Study**

Beyond Form Completion and Meeting Reminders: What Is the Next Generation of Public Sector Behavioral Interventions

4:30 PM - 5:15 PM

Room: Atrium - Exhibit Level

Featuring work related to our **Behavioral Interventions to Advance Self-Sufficiency (BIAS) Next Generation Project**

Friday, November 9

Non-Academic Career Paths: Evaluation in Government

8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

Room: 8226 - Lobby Level

Featuring our Emily Schmitt (@epschmitt)

Building Evidence for Responsible Fatherhood Programs and Programs Serving Justice Involved Parents

8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

Room: Tyler - Mezz Level

Featuring work from our **Parents and Children Together (PACT) project** and our Nicole Constance

Switching, Phasing-in and Improving: Multi-Armed Randomized Experiments with Multiple or Time-Contingent Components

8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

Room: Marriot Balcony B - Mezz Level

Featuring work from our **Health Profession Opportunity Grants (HPOG) Impact Study**

Toward a Better Future: New Evidence on Three Approaches to Linking Disconnected Youth to Employment and Education

8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

Room: Jefferson - Mezz Level

Featuring work from our **Pathways for Advancing Careers and Education (PACE) project** and our **Subsidized and Transitional Employment Demonstration (STED)**

Federal Interagency Collaboration to Build Evidence: Lessons and Opportunities

10:15 AM - 11:45 AM

Room: Lincoln 3 - Exhibit Level

Featuring work related to our **Subsidized and Transitional Employment Demonstration (STED)** and work related to our **Homeless Families Research Briefs**, as well as our Girley Wright and Carli Wulff

Leveraging Behavioral Insights to Support Parents' Engagement in Children's Learning

1:30 PM - 3:00 PM

Room: Jefferson - Mezz Level

Featuring our Emily Schmitt (@epschmitt)

Analytic Approaches for Identifying Effective Strategies for Improving Outcomes in Social Programs

3:15 PM - 4:45 PM

Room: Marriot Balcony B - Mezz Level

Featuring work from our **Health Profession Opportunity Grants (HPOG) Impact Study** and our Nicole Constance

Bayesian Methods: Innovative Applications in Research Design, Program Evaluation, and Policy Analysis

3:15 PM - 4:45 PM

Room: Marriott Balcony A - Mezz Level

Featuring work from our **Employment Strategies for Low-Income Adults Evidence Review (ESER) Project** and our Janessa Malin

Using Field Experiments to Examine Parent and Provider Decisions in the ECE Market

3:15 PM - 4:45 PM

Room: Wilson B - Mezz Level

Featuring work from our **Behavioral Interventions to Advance Self-Sufficiency (BIAS) Project**

The Next Generation of Subsidized Employment: Three Evaluations of Transitional Jobs Programs

3:15 - 4:45 PM

Room: Madison A - Mezz Level

Featuring work related to our **Subsidized and Transitional Employment Demonstration (STED)**

New Tools for Understanding the Implementation and Cost of Quality in Early Care and Education

3:30 PM - 4:15 PM

Room: Innovation Lounge (near registration)

Featuring work related to our **Assessing the Implementation and Cost of High Quality Early Care and Education Project (ECE-ICHQ)** and our Meryl Barofsky

Saturday, November 10

Studies on TANF

8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

Room: 8226 - Lobby Level

Featuring work related to our **Jobs Search Assistance (JSA) Strategies Evaluation** and our Kathleen Moore (@mfkathleen)

Child Care Costs, Patterns of Use, and Implications for Parental Employment

8:30 AM - 10:00 AM

Room: Johnson - Mezz Level

Featuring work supported by our **Child Care Development Block Grant (CCDBG) Implementation Research and Evaluation Grants**

Poster Luncheon: Employment Instability of Deeply Poor Families with Children: Evidence from a Study of Families Who Experience Homelessness

12:00 PM - 1:30 PM

Room: Exhibit Hall C

Featuring work related to our **Homeless Families Research Briefs**

Making Research Responsive to Policymakers' Needs: A Roundtable Discussion about Systematic Reviews and Other Approaches to Evidence Synthesis

1:30 PM - 3:00 PM

Room: Wilson C - Mezz Level

Featuring our Naomi Goldstein (@NaomiGoldstein1)

Issues in Early Education

1:30 PM - 3:00 PM

Room: Tyler - Mezz Level

Featuring work supported by our [Child Care Development Block Grant \(CCDBG\) Implementation Research and Evaluation Grants](#)

Nudging and Educating EITC Claimants in Tax Compliance, Refund Saving Behavior, and Beyond

3:15 PM - 4:45 PM

Room: Truman - Mezz Level

Featuring our Emily Schmitt (@epschmitt)

Social Media Spotlight



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Recently Released Reports

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[Washington State's Integrated Basic Education and Skills Training \(I-BEST\) Program in Three Colleges: Implementation and Early Impact Report](#)

October 17, 2018

[Behavioral Health Improvements Over Time among Adults in Families](#)

Experiencing Homelessness

October 9, 2018

Home Visiting Evidence of Effectiveness Review: Executive Summary & Brief - September 2018

October 5, 2018



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