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## Featured Research and Reports

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### [Implementation and Early Impact Findings from the Integrated Basic Education and Skills Training \(I-BEST\) Program](#)

Explore implementation and early impact findings from I-BEST, as implemented in three colleges in

Washington State.

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### [A Look at our Family Strengthening Research in 2017](#)

Explore the major research and evaluation activities of our Division of Family Strengthening in 2017.

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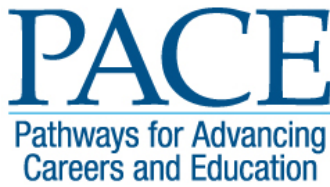


### [Behavioral Health Improvements over Time among Adults in Families Experiencing Homelessness](#)

Read this brief to learn what Family Options Study data tells us about the behavioral health of parents who

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### [Webinar - Career Pathways Strategies: Early Impacts on Education & Training and Insights from PACE Programs](#)

Register today for this webinar with Abt Associates on early findings on the effectiveness of select career pathways strategies from the Pathways for Advancing Careers and Education study.

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### [Taking Home Visiting to Scale - Special Issue of the Maternal and Child Health Journal](#)

Check out the entire special issue, featuring findings from evaluations of 11 Maternal, Infant & Early Childhood Home Visiting Program awardees with an Introduction co-authored by our Nicole Denmark and Pooja Gupta.

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## **Grants and Contracts Awarded in FY 2018**

The beginning of the fiscal year marks the start of numerous projects and activities via new contracts and grants. Explore the list below to see all the work we are starting this year. Check back soon for updates on our website on all these contracts and grants.

### **Contracts**

#### [Early Childhood](#)

#### **Assessing Models of Coordinated Services for Low-Income Children and Their Families**

**Contractor:** Mathematica Policy Research

#### **Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) Policies Database**

**Contractor:** Urban Institute

#### **Child Care Interstate Background Checks (CC-IBaCs)**

**Contractor:** CNA Corporation

**Early Care and Education Data Archive: Promoting Information Sharing Experiences (ECE Promise)**

**Contractor:** Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research at the University of Michigan

**Early Care and Education (ECE) Program Leadership**

**Contractor:** Mathematica Policy Research

**Head Start Connects: Individualizing and Connecting Families to Comprehensive Services**

**Contractor:** MDRC

**Supporting the Sustainability of the Quality of Caregiver-Child Interactions for Infants and Toddlers (Q-CCIT) Observation Tool (Q-CCIT Forward)**

**Contractor:** Mathematica Policy Research

**[Child Welfare](#)**

**Building Capacity to Evaluate Community Collaborations to Strengthen and Preserve Families**

**Contractor:** Abt Associates

**Establish and Maintain the Title IV-E Prevention Services Clearinghouse**

**Contractor :** Abt Associates

**Understanding Judicial Decision-Making and Hearing Quality in Child Welfare**

**Contractor:** James Bell Associates

**[Self-Sufficiency, Welfare, and Employment](#)**

**Next Generation of Enhanced Employment Strategies (Next Gen)**

**Contractor:** Mathematica Policy Research

**State TANF Case Studies**

**Contractor:** Mathematica Policy Research

**What Works Clearinghouse of Proven and Promising Approaches to Move Welfare Recipients to Work**

**Contractor:** Mathematica Policy Research

**[Strengthening Families, Healthy Marriage & Responsible Fatherhood; & Youth Services](#)**

**Examining Responsible Fatherhood Programs Approaches to Co-parenting and Healthy Marriage and Relationship Education**

**Contractor:** Child Trends

**Identifying Gaps in Healthy Marriage and Responsible Fatherhood Learning**

**Contractor:** Mathematica Policy Research

**Maternal and Infant Home Visiting Program Evaluation Long- Term Follow-up 2 (MIHOPE LT-2)**

**Contractor:** MDRC

**Sexual Risk Avoidance Education (SRAE) National Evaluation**

**Contractor:** Mathematica Policy Research

**[Cross Cutting](#)**

**Applying Human Centered Design to Human Services**

**Contractor:** Child Trends

**Head Start, Early Head Start, Child Care, Child Welfare, and Family Strengthening Research Support**

**Contractor:** ICF

**Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Human Services Analysis Execution Project**

**Contractor:** Urban Institute

**[Interoperability and Data Sharing](#)**

**Improving the Use of Administrative Data**

**Contractor:** The Mitre Corporation

## **Grants**

### **Behavioral Interventions Scholars**

**Awarded to:** The University of Chicago Harris School of Public Policy

### **Center for Research on Hispanic Children and Families**

**Awarded to:** Child Trends, Inc.

### **Child Care Development Fund (CCDF) - Evaluation of Policy Implementation**

**Awarded to:** Oregon State Department of Education, Illinois Department of Human Services, Georgia Department of Early Care and Education, Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care

### **Child Care Scholars**

**Awarded to:** The University of North Carolina at Greensboro Department of Human Development & Family Studies, University of Wisconsin Social Welfare Program, University for Kansas Department of Special Education, and the University of Illinois Department of Human Development & Family Studies

### **Family Strengthening Scholars**

**Awarded to:** Cornell University Department of Policy Analysis & Management, Cornell University Department of Sociology and the University of Michigan School of Social Work

### **Head Start Scholars**

**Awarded to:** Tufts College Eliot-Pearson Department of Child Study and Human Development, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Chapel Hill School of Education, University of Miami Department of Psychology, and Florida International University Department of Psychology

### **Marriage Strengthening Research and Dissemination Center**

**Awarded to:** Child Trends, Inc.

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September 26, 2018

**A Year in Head Start: Findings from FACES 2014 on Children's Progress Toward School Readiness During the 2014-2015 Program Year**

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**Tribal Solutions: Subsidized Employment Programs Serving American Indians and Alaska Natives**

September 25, 2018

**Trauma-Informed Approaches for Programs Serving Fathers in Re-Entry: A Review of the Literature and Environmental Scan**

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