

## OPRE Staff and Sponsored Projects at APPAM 2013 Fall Research Conference

The [Office of Planning Research and Evaluation's \(OPRE\)](#) staff and many of the organizations we fund to carry out research and evaluation will be participating in the [Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management \(APPAM\) 2013 Fall Research Conference](#), November 7-9 in Washington, DC.

Look below or click on the links for the dates of the conference for detailed information on all the sessions OPRE and our partnering organizations will participate in during [APPAM's 2013 Fall Research Conference](#).

[Thursday, November 7, 2013](#)

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### [Thursday, November 7, 2013](#)

Mark Fucello of OPRE will serve as a discussant for a panel on [Federal Efforts to Assist Vulnerable Youth in the Transition to Adulthood](#). The panel includes a presentation by Mathematica Policy Research on a [Framework for Advancing the Well-being and Self-Sufficiency of At-Risk Youth](#) developed under contract to OPRE.

**Time & Location:** 9:45 to 11:15 AM, Washington Marriott, West End Ballroom D

Nina Philipsen Hetzner, a Society for Research in Child Development Fellow placed in OPRE, will present on First-Year Maternal Employment and Child Illness At Age Two as part of a panel on [Maternal Employment and Child Well-Being](#). Brendan Kelly of OPRE will serve as discussant for this panel.

**Time & Location:** 9:45 to 11:15 AM, Washington Marriott, Georgetown I

Laura Peck and Stephen Bell of Abt Associates will participate in a panel on [Assessing Social Impacts: Are We Getting Closer To Finding Mediation Pathways](#), presenting methods developed as part of the [Head Start Impact Study](#) under contract to OPRE.

**Time & Location:** 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM, Washington Marriott, DuPont Ballroom F

A panel on [Moderators of the Experimental Impacts of Head Start: Reanalysis of the Head Start Impact Study](#) will feature analyses by independent researchers using [Head Start Impact Study](#) data developed and made available for scholars through an OPRE contract.

**Time & Location:** 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM, Washington Marriott, DuPont Ballroom H

The panel, [Findings From the Secondary Analysis of Variation in Impacts \(SAVI\) of Head Start Center](#) will present findings from analyses of [Head Start Impact Study](#) data carried out under an OPRE [grant](#) to NYU with Harvard University and MDRC. Jennifer Brooks of OPRE will serve as discussant for this panel.

**Time & Location:** 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM, Washington Marriott, Georgetown I

MDRC researchers will present findings from the [Employment Retention and Advancement](#) project and the [TANF-SSI Disability Transition Project](#) developed under contract to OPRE as part of a panel on [Temporary Assistance For Needy Families Policies and Their Effects](#).

**Time & Location:** 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM, Ritz Carlton, Plaza I

Dan Bloom of MDRC will discuss subsidized employment, presenting work from OPRE's [Subsidized and Transitional Employment Demonstration](#), as part of a panel on [Building Skills In The Workforce](#).

**Time & Location:** 3:00 - 4:30 PM, Washington Marriott, Thomas Salon

Molly Irwin of OPRE will chair a panel on [Linking Program Implementation Design: Are We Any Better At Attributing Program Effectiveness?](#)

**Time & Location:** 3:00 - 4:30 PM, Washington Marriott, DuPont Ballroom H

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### **Friday, November 8, 2013**

Amy Madigan of OPRE will chair a panel on [Quality Early Care and Education for Infants and Toddlers: What Is It?](#) Researchers from Mathematica Policy Research will present findings from the [Early Head Start Family and Child Experiences Study](#) conducted under contract to OPRE.

**Time & Location:** 2:00 - 3:15 PM, Washington Marriott, Georgetown I

Seth Chamberlain of OPRE will chair a panel on [Understanding and Addressing the Human Service Needs of LGBT Youth and Families](#). Andrew Burwick of Mathematica Policy Research will present work developed under contract to OPRE in the [Research Development Project on Human Service Needs of LGBT Populations](#).

**Time & Location:** 2:00 - 3:15 PM, Ritz Carlton, Boardroom

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## Saturday, November 9, 2013

Jennifer Brooks of OPRE will present on The Argument for Linking Performance Management and Evaluation in a System of Evidence-Based Decision Making as part of a panel on [Better Decision-Making Through Better Integration of Performance Measurement, Evaluation and Performance Management](#).

**Time & Location:** 8:00 - 9:30 AM, Westin Georgetown, Thomas Boardroom

As part of a panel on [Moving Welfare Recipients Into Work in a Post-Recessionary Environment](#), Michelle Derr of Mathematica Policy Research will present on State Strategies Designed to Meet the TANF Work Participation Rate and Increase Employment Among Welfare Recipients, presenting work from an OPRE [project](#). Heather Hahn of the Urban Institute will present on Self-Sufficiency Strategies and Employment Outcomes in Tribal TANF Programs, presenting work from an OPRE [project](#).

**Time & Location:** 8:00 - 9:30 AM, Washington Marriott, DuPont Ballroom H

Brendan Kelly of OPRE will chair a panel on [The Great Recession and Its Impacts On Health](#).

**Time & Location:** 8:00 - 9:30 AM, Westin Georgetown, DuPont

Amy Madigan of OPRE will chair a session on [Working Parents in Poverty: Early Care and Education Supports for Low-Income Families With Infants and Toddlers](#). The session will include findings from OPRE's [National Survey of Early Care and Education](#), the [Early Head Start Family and Child Experiences Survey](#), and the [Research Center to Support Secondary Analyses of Head Start Impact Study Data](#).

**Time & Location:** 8:00 - 9:30 AM, Westin Georgetown, Mayfair Court

Brendan Kelly will chair a session on [Understanding "What Works" in Producing Program Impacts: Strategies for Unpacking the "Black Box"](#). Researchers from Abt Associates will present work carried out under contract to OPRE as part of the [Innovative Strategies to Increase Self-Sufficiency](#) and [Health Profession Opportunity Grant](#) evaluation projects. Researchers from MDRC will discuss the [Behavioral Interventions to Advance Self-Sufficiency](#) project supported by OPRE

**Time & Location:** 9:45 – 11:15 AM Westin Georgetown, Mayfair Court

Lauren Supplee of OPRE will chair a panel on [Integrating Implementation and Impact Research to Get Inside the Black Box: Innovative Early Childhood Evaluations](#). The panel will feature work from several OPRE projects: [Head Start Coaching Study Design](#), [Mother and Infant Home Visiting Program Evaluation](#), [Head Start Classroom-based Approaches and Resources for Emotion and Social skill promotion](#)

**Time & Location:** 1:45 – 3:15 PM, Washington Marriott, 3015 Madison

Seth Chamberlain of OPRE will chair a panel called [Dads Matter: Understanding Low-Income Fathers and Responsible Fatherhood Programs](#). Reginald Covington of Mathematica Policy Research will present findings from OPRE's [Building Strong Families](#) evaluation.

**Time & Location:** 3:30-5:00 PM, Westin Georgetown, Mayfair Court

Ivelisse Martinez-Beck of OPRE will chair a panel titled, [The First National Look At Early Care and Education Since 1990](#), featuring the results of OPRE's work with the [National Survey of Early Care and Education \(NSECE\)](#). The panel will discuss our new brief, [Number and Characteristics of Early Care and Education \(ECE\) Teachers and Caregivers: Initial Findings from the National Survey of Early Care and Education \(NSECE\)](#), and share other findings utilizing the [NSECE](#).

**Time & Location:** 3:30-5:00 PM, Ritz Carlton, Salon III A