

# CREW

## COALITION FOR RESEARCH ON ENGAGEMENT & WELL-BEING

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### Abstract

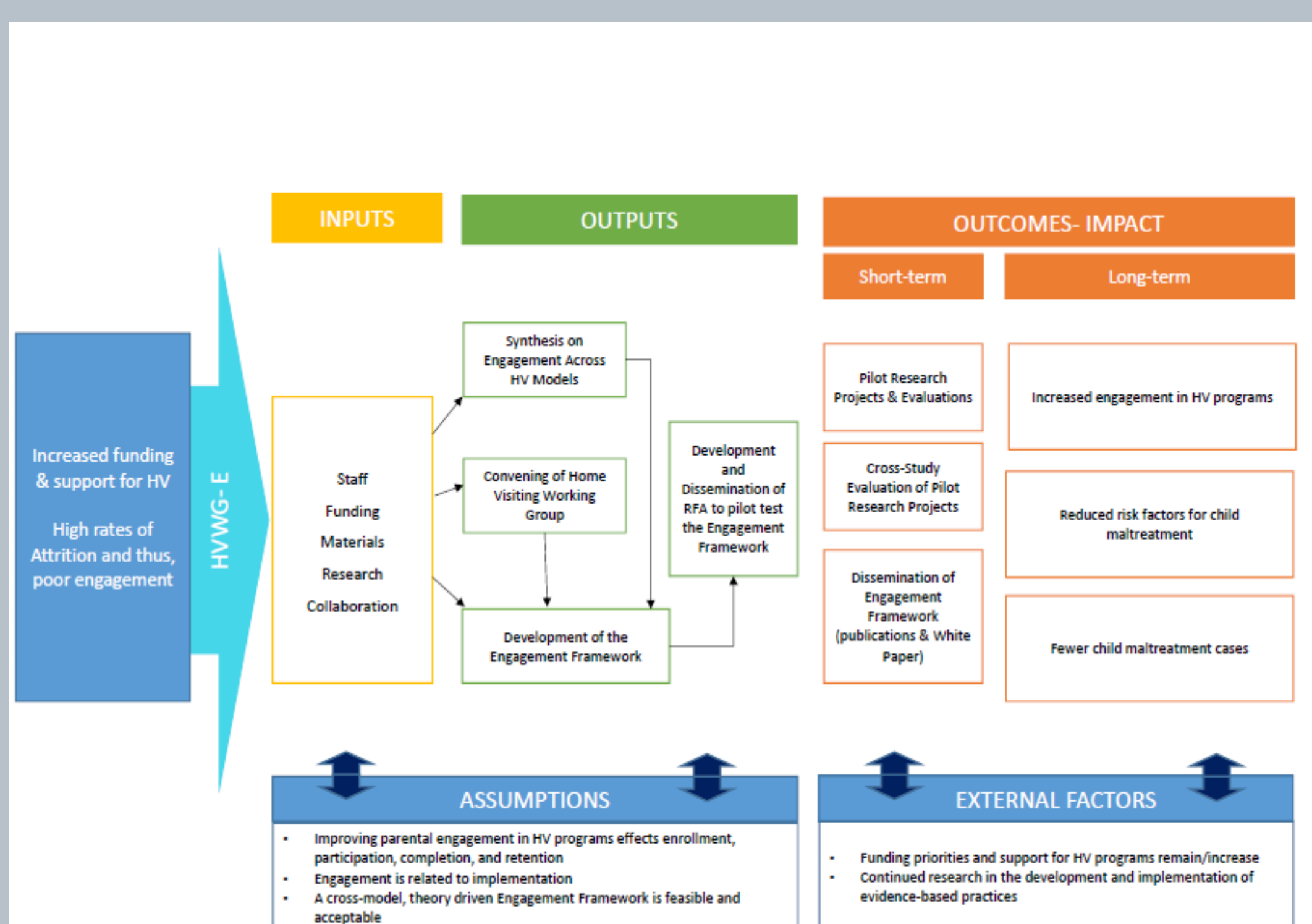
CREW is an Annie E. Casey Foundation grant-funded project with the task of funding and monitoring the progress of 3 selected high-risk/ high-reward projects that will conduct research for the collaborative effort to better understand and improve parental engagement in home-based parent support programs designed for families with preschool or school-age children, for new parents, parents with an infant and other children at home, or for prenatal mothers.

- ✓ **Objective 1:** Convene a Collaborative Working Group to develop a parent engagement and retention framework for application to home visiting programs.
- ✓ **Objective 2:** Development and dissemination of a Request for Applications (RFA) for up to four research projects.
- **Objective 3:** Employment of synergistic and complementary research methods and data collection.
- **Objective 4:** Dissemination of findings through a White Paper based on the findings of the projects, and publications of the research project outcomes.

### CREW Collaborative Working Group

The working group is made up of representation of several evidence-based programs aimed at child maltreatment prevention, along with a team of researchers from Georgia State University and other program experts and consultants in the field of child maltreatment.

### Logic Model



### CREW Background Information



In May 2015, the *Working Group* convened where the engagement framework, parameters for the Request for Applications (RFA), and review criteria was developed. The GSU Team drafted the RFA and following the review from the *Working Group*, on June 15, 2015 the RFA was released. An informational webinar was held on June 26th with more than 50 participants.

Sixteen applications were received (deadline August 31st) and were reviewed by the Working Group in a two-phase review process as specified in the RFA. The full review completed by the *Working group* selected three high-risk/ high-reward projects for funding.

Selection criteria were based on:

1. Overall impact
2. Significance
3. Innovation
4. Methods
5. Qualifications of the investigator(s), and
6. Budget

The RFA, specified that up to four projects would be funded and allowed for dual-investigator applications with an increased budget.

Upon acceptance by the Principal Investigators, the selected projects subawards were initiated and projects began implementation in November 2015.

CREW hosted a Reverse Site Visit on Tuesday March 8, 2016 at Georgia State University campus. During the RSV, each project detailed delivered presentations on their projects as well as presented research updates.

Engaging discussions ensured surrounding:

- Funding sources
- Conference opportunities
- Qualitative cross-model potential, and
- White paper end products

CREW has been continuously engaging the Collaborative Working Group by delivering a bimonthly newsletter of CREW activities and most recent project research updates.

### Project One: Mixed Methods Adaptation & Pilot Testing of a Toolkit to Enhance Parent Participation in Home Visitation Programs

– Dr. Danielle L Fettes (UCSD) & Dr. Rachel Haine-Schlagel (SDSU)

- Will adapt an evidence-based participation toolkit, the Parent and Caregiver Active Participation Toolkit, to ultimately be used across multiple home visitation programs
- Services include: SafeCare



### Project Two: Engagement in Home Visiting Services During the Perinatal Period: A Mixed Methods Pilot Study

– Dr. Amy Damashek (WMU) & Dr. Catherine Kothari (WMU)

- Will examine client, provider, and program variables that are related to retention in services during the transition from pregnancy to postpartum development
- Services include: Healthy Babies Healthy Start, Nurse Family Partnership, and Healthy Families America



### Project Three: Engaging Families in Parent Support Programs via Telehealth Platforms

– Dr. Dorian Traube (USC) & Angela Rau (PAT National)

- Will explore the feasibility of delivering home-based parent support services through a telehealth clinic and network to ameliorate barriers to family engagement in such services
- Services include: Parents as Teachers



### Recent Research Updates

Mixed Methods Adaptation & Pilot Testing of a Toolkit to Enhance Parent Participation in Home Visitation Programs	Engagement in Home Visiting Services During the Perinatal Period: A Mixed Methods Pilot Study	Engaging Families in Parent Support Programs via Telehealth Platforms
Dr. Danielle Fettes (UCSD) & Dr. Rachel Haine-Schlagel (SDSU)	Dr. Amy Damashek (WMU) & Dr. Catherine Kothari (WMU)	Dr. Dorian Traube (USC) & Angela Rau (PAT National)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>12 Parent interviews completed (data collection finished)</li> <li>Ongoing: Qualitative Data Analysis</li> <li>In Progress: Quantitative engagement data</li> <li>Launch of pilot- Scheduled October 11<sup>th</sup></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ongoing: Recruitment goal of 39 moms by the end of September</li> <li>Ongoing: Qualitative analysis of home visitor focus groups and chart reviews</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ongoing: Recruitment of more families</li> <li>All interns and supervisors are using telehealth platforms (PAT training was part on-line and part on-ground. Supervision is all on-line).</li> </ul>

### THINGS TO COME

- Projects conclude in July 2017
- Collect/ analyze all data
- White Paper
- Publications of research outcomes



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