



# HARC Herald

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## In this Issue

This month HARC brings you our latest work on precision home visiting and emerging issues, and highlights calls for abstracts, upcoming conferences, and early career resources. Please share this newsletter and invite your colleagues to join HARC's PBRN!

## Featured HARC Opportunities and Resources

### HARC's Continued Partnership with the 2024 HV Summit

HARC has partnered with Start Early and the National Home Visiting Summit for many years. We hope that you have seen the exciting news that the HV Summit is planning a hybrid meeting in Washington DC from January 31 to February 2, 2024.

In continuance of our partnership, HARC is pleased to announce that we will collaborate with Start Early on a joint poster session at the HV Summit. We will work with the review team to select a set of research posters that will be clearly designated at the HV Summit poster session and will be featured on our website after the meeting. We will be looking for poster abstracts that highlight innovative research that aligns with HARC's core objectives. We are most interested in posters that present research using or addressing any of the following:

- Community-engaged research methods
- Innovative research methods
- Principles of precision home visiting
- Data sharing
- **Emerging issues** in home visiting

We will also give special consideration to abstracts led by early career scholars, especially those who are members of underrepresented groups. HARC will offer a travel award to cover meeting registration and hotel accommodations for up to two nights for up to three scholars who are at the undergraduate, graduate, or post-graduate level or up to 5 years post-terminal degree (master's or PhD).

We encourage all interested HARC members to submit an abstract to the HV Summit. Abstracts are due by September 22 via the [online portal](#).

Of note, HARC also plans to offer a networking opportunity at the HV Summit for current and potential HARC members. We hope to see you there!

If you have any questions or would like any assistance from the HARC Coordinating Center in preparing your abstract, please reach out to [harc@hvresearch.org](mailto:harc@hvresearch.org)

## New Precision Home Visiting Manuscript by HARC

We are pleased to announce that the Open Access manuscript, [“Moving toward precision in prenatal evidence-based home visiting to achieve good birth outcomes: Assessing the alignment of local programs with their national models”](#) is available through *BMC Health Services Research*. This is a companion paper to our [previously published work](#) defining models’ perspectives on behavioral pathways and intervention techniques to promote good birth outcomes.

## Home Visiting Challenges and Opportunities: Key Issues in Improving Reach, Quality, and Impacts

HARC has consistently served an important role in translating emerging issues into learning opportunities. We have done this by clarifying how policy and community issues impact front line practice; promoting and implementing studies to unpack these topics; investigating promising solutions to address key challenges; and disseminating new learning to the field. In this [brief](#), Deb Daro explains HARC’s methods in identifying and exploring emerging practice and policy concerns including outreach to partners, what we are learning, and next steps.

# HARC PBRN Members Providing Input and Making an Impact

## Service Coordination

HARC depends on the members of the practice-based research network (PBRN) who contribute to HARC’s mission to broaden and strengthen home visiting’s benefits for all families and communities. In 2015, HARC surveyed home visiting program staff to better understand [service coordination between home visiting programs and medical homes](#). The aims were to understand the current extent of coordination, factors that are associated with coordination, and barriers and facilitators of coordination. The feedback from home visiting program staff revealed that it is important to increase medical provider knowledge of the purpose of home visiting and to reinforce that benefits of communication extend beyond a growth in referrals for home visiting programs. All of our HARC PBRN briefs can be found our [website](#).



If you're interested in contributing to work like this, please [join our PBRN!](#)

## Join/Re-enroll in HARC We Can't Do What We Do Without You!

At the heart of HARC’s work is our practice-based research network (PBRN). HARC PBRN members engage in collaborative, field-initiated studies to move home visiting forward. The PBRN is designed to bring together programs and researchers to answer questions that are

critical to the field in order to broaden and strengthen home visiting's benefits for all families and communities.

Membership is **FREE** and anyone with an interest in home visiting can join! There are several benefits such as the ability to join special interest groups to connect with your peers and being the first to learn about findings from HARC studies through this newsletter. Please forward this to newsletter to one colleague and encourage them to join HARC's PBRN today!

[Join/Re-enroll in the PBRN](#)

## Call for Abstracts

### National Home Visiting Summit (January 31-February 2, 2024, Washington DC)

Registration and the Call for Proposals for the 2024 National HV Summit is now live. The HV Summit will be held in a hybrid format this year. As in the past, the HV Summit aims to integrate policy, practice and research to influence systems change, with the goal of advancing equitable and high quality services, structures and systems. [Abstract submissions](#) are now open and should demonstrate a clear connection to the conference's commitment to Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging. [Deadline is September 22, 2023.](#)

## Calls for Research

### The Home Visiting Evidence of Effectiveness (HomVEE) Call for Research for 2024 Review Cycle

[HomVEE is calling for manuscripts](#) published within the past 20 years about impact studies (not previously reviewed) to contribute to the review of the evidence base for early childhood home visiting models. [Deadline is September 29, 2023.](#)



## Calls for Papers

### Special Issue of BMC Public Health

[BMC Public Health](#) is currently welcoming submissions of original research to the "[Maternal and child access to health and healthcare](#)" Collection. This collection will be guest edited by, Dr. Jennifer Harris Requejo and HARC Member Dr. Lynn Kemp. With mothers and children making up over 2/3 of the whole population, improving their health outcomes is a global critical priority. Numerous challenges hinder effective access to healthcare services for women and children, particularly in marginalized communities. Addressing these challenges requires evidence-based research which can inform policies and interventions aimed at enhancing maternal and child access to health and healthcare. [Deadline is April 18, 2024.](#)

## Upcoming Conferences

**ZERO to THREE's LEARN Conference (September 19-20, 2023, in**

## Minneapolis, MN)

The goal of the ZERO TO THREE [LEARN Conference](#) is to transform early childhood concepts into action, theories into skills and the shared passion into positive energy that propels the field forward. This conference is a great way learn from the experts in the field, build networks, and connect with friends.

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## CityMatCH Maternal and Child Health Leadership Conference (September 20-22, 2023, in New Orleans, LA)

Registration is now open for the annual [CityMatCH Maternal and Child Health Leadership Conference](#), Reconnecting and Transforming MCH: A Journey of Healing, Rebirth and Growth. [CityMatCH's](#) mission is to strengthen public health leaders and organizations to promote equity and improve the health of urban women, families, and communities.

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## Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) Annual Meeting (October 4-5, 2023, in Washington, DC)

[Registration](#) is still open for the 2023 PCORI Annual Meeting. Attendees will hear from patients, caregivers, researchers, clinicians, and the broader healthcare community about patient-centered comparative clinical effectiveness research.

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## 2023 National Prenatal-to-3 Research to Policy Summit (October 12, 2023, from 2:00-3:30 PM ET, virtual event)

[Registration](#) is open for the National Prenatal-to-3 Research to Policy Summit. This summit, hosted by the Prenatal-to-3 Policy Impact Center, will bring together state lawmakers, advocates, researchers, and practitioners to learn about the latest research informing prenatal-to-3 evidence-based policymaking for young children and their families.



## American Public Health Association (APHA) 2023 Annual Meeting and Expo (November 12-15, 2023, in Atlanta, GA)

[Registration](#) for the APHA Annual Meeting is still open. This meeting is a great public health event that offers innovative and exciting opportunities to reach your public health goals and advance your career.

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## MIECHV All-Grantee Meeting (January 29-31, 2024, Arlington, VA)

HRSA's Division of Home Visiting and Early Childhood Systems announces their [2024 MIECHV All-Grantee Meeting](#) to be held in-person next January. Hybrid and virtual options will also be available for additional staff at the state/territory and LIA levels to attend select sessions.

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# The Administration for Children and Families' (ACF) National Research Conference on Early Childhood (NRCEC) (June 24-26, 2024, in Arlington, VA)

This [conference](#) is for anyone interested in learning about the latest research related to Early Head Start, child care, home visiting, child welfare, and other childhood programs. More information about NRCEC can be found in this [brief video](#).

## Evidence-Informed Resources from the Field

### Building Continuous Quality Improvement Capacity Using a Collaborative Learning Approach

This recent [brief](#) from the Administration for Children and Families (ACF) on Tribal Home Visiting Quality explains how Tribal Home Visiting recipients worked with ACF and technical assistance providers to engage in Continuous Quality Improvement Collaboratives to focus on family engagement and early language and literacy.

### Peer-reviewed Literature Updates

Each month, HARC shares recently published peer-reviewed home visiting research articles. Articles were identified via a Google Scholar alert, thus the list may not include all published articles. View the citations and links to open access articles [here](#).

## Recorded Meetings and Webinars

### June 2023 Indigenous Home Visiting Meeting

[Recordings](#) are now available from the June 2023 Indigenous Home Visiting Meeting, entitled *Rooted in Traditions – Growing Through Connections*



### MIECHV TARC and National Center on Early Childhood Quality Assurance Webinar

[Recordings](#) are now available from the MIECHV Technical Assistance Resource Center and the National Center on Early Childhood Quality Assurance webinar, entitled *Home Visiting and Early Care and Education: Opportunities for Collaboration*. This webinar covered opportunities for collaboration between home visiting and early education systems including one state's experience.

## Early Career Researcher Corner





## NIH101: An Introduction to NIH and How Grantmaking Happens (Webinar to be held on September 12, 2023 from 1:00-2:00 PM ET)

This [webinar](#) provides guidance for early career researchers, trainees, and their mentors on research priorities including child and adolescent development, health care, and funding opportunities and resources of the National Institutes of Health (NIH). The webinar has three goals: 1) to encourage the generation of scientific ideals that align with NIH priorities and to explain associated funding opportunities; 2) to illuminate expectations for grant submissions and stages of review; and 3) to discuss best practices for grant submissions to NIH.

## Brazelton Touchpoints Center's (BTC) Postdoctoral Fellowship

BCT announces their [postdoctoral fellowship](#) in early childhood translational and applied research. Postdoctoral fellows will work with researchers to participate in research on interventions with young children and families. Several work opportunities are available to fellows such as dual-generation and early childhood programs (e.g., Early Head Start), child welfare, and home visiting research. This is an open fellowship and applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis.

***Missed a newsletter? No worries - they're now available on the HARC [website](#) along with our [monthly literature updates!](#)***

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*Do you have research-related announcements or examples of precision research you'd like to share with the HARC network? Please bear with us as we develop guidelines for sharing and posting news from network members. Meanwhile, please feel free to send to Diana ([dchute1@jhu.edu](mailto:dchute1@jhu.edu)) and we will review on a case by case basis.*



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