

HARC Herald

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Registration Now Open for HARC's 9th Annual Meeting

Innovative Methods for Engaging Community in Building Home Visiting Evidence and Informing Policy

The goal of this methods-focused meeting is to increase the capacity of the field to conduct inclusive, equitable, community-engaged research that generates evidence that is timely, relevant, valid, and useful.

Join us for 1.5 days of engaging presentations and discussion. Registration is free but space is limited. Reserve your spot today!



September 17-18, 2024

Johns Hopkins University Bloomberg Center 555 Pennsylvania Ave., Washington DC

www.hvresearch.org

Click here to see the speaker list and to register!

Share Your Voice! Current Research Opportunities

Call for MIECHV Programs Interested in a Rapid-Cycle

Learning Research Opportunity

The ADAPT-HV project is seeking MIECHV-funded home visiting programs to participate in a rapid-cycle learning research opportunity. Programs will work with the research team to design, adapt, and test adaptations to home visiting practices that were made in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and may have the potential to improve home visiting services moving forward. The studies will begin in early fall and last about 7 months. Study sites will receive an honorarium of \$1,500 for their participation and caregivers who participate in a focus group will receive an honorarium of \$40. To learn more, see the project's **information sheet**.

To nominate a site, please email Teresa Smith, ADAPT-HV Project Director, at **teresa@policyandresearch.com** with the following information:

- Site name and location
- Type of practice implemented
- Brief description of how the practice is being implemented
- Other details on site's suitability for participation, if known
 - Recent research, evaluation, or continuous quality improvement experience
 - Interest in participating

Participate in a Community Expert Group!

The Jackie Walorski Center for Evidence-Based Case Management is **recruiting home visiting staff and parents and caregivers to serve on a Community Expert Group** to help guide the Center's work identifying, evaluating, and sharing practices and strategies that will help families access community resources and supports. The Center looking for staff who have experience working in early childhood home visiting and an interest in case management, care coordination, or service coordination in home visiting and/or centralized or coordinated intake systems and parents and caregivers who have experience participating in home visiting and were referred to or linked with other community resources and supports. Group members will participate in 60-90 minute monthly meetings beginning in late August or early September 2024 and will be offered an honorarium for time preparing for and participating in meetings.

Please see our <u>website</u> for more information (scroll down to "Opportunities for Engagement" section) or contact us at <u>EBCM@jhu.edu</u>. We are accepting applications through early August or until the group is filled.

Seeking Strategies, Resources, and Materials on Home Visiting Workforce Development and Case Management

Share your work with the Institute for Home Visiting Workforce Development and the Jackie Walorski Center for Evidence-Based Case Management through two calls for information:

- 1. <u>Call for information to identify strategies, resources, and materials to support home visiting workforce development.</u>
- 2. <u>Call for information to identify strategies, resources, and materials related to case management and service coordination in home visiting.</u>

Click on the links above to access the calls for information and submit materials.

ACF is Requesting Feedback on Their Guidance for Submitting Reports

In an effort to make their <u>annual report instructions</u> easier to understand for Tribal MIECHV grantees, HHS is requesting <u>public comments</u>. If you wish to provide feedback, please send your comments via email to <u>infocollection@acf.hhs.gov</u>. <u>Deadline is August 5, 2024</u>.

Monthly Peer-Reviewed Literature Updates

Peer-reviewed Literature Updates

Each month, HARC shares recently published peer-reviewed home visiting research articles. Articles are 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**.

In the News!

Announcing New HomVEE Initiative

The <u>Home Visiting Evidence of Effectiveness Review</u> (HomVEE) in coordination with HRSA and Tribal Home Visiting within ACF is in the early stages of updating their criteria for an "evidence-based early childhood home visiting service delivery model," which plays a role in determining model eligibility for the <u>Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting</u> (<u>MIECHV) Program</u>. The aim of this initiative is to modernize the review to align with current systematic review best practices and advancement in the home visiting field.



Upcoming Webinars

Society for Prevention Research Methodology Training Workshops (August 9th and 20th, virtual event)

Interested in learning modern methods for mediation analysis or methods for planning and testing adaptations? SPR is offering a series of brief, affordable workshops in August. Registration and additional information can be found on the **SPR website**.

Maternal Health Learning and Innovation Center: Practicing Equity in Authentic Community Engagement (August 14 from 1pm-2:30pm ET, virtual event)

Want to build your knowledge and capacity to incorporate authentic community engagement in your work? In this <u>webinar</u>, hosted by the Maternal Health Learning and Innovation Center, Kenn Harris, VP of Engagement and Community Partnerships at the National Institute for Children's Health Quality, discusses how to develop effective *authentic* strategies that can impact the communities they serve.

National African American Child and Family Research Center (NAACFRC): Measuring and Achieving Equity in Program Research Webinar (September 12, 2024, at 4pm ET, virtual event)

NAACFRC will be hosting a <u>webinar</u> on measuring and achieving equity in program research. The webinar will explore indicators and metrics for measuring progress toward and achievement of racial equity or equitable programs.



Child & Family Data Archive (CFData) MIHOPE Check-in Data Webinars Are Now Available

Looking to utilize existing data in your work? CFData offers several recorded webinars explaining how to access and use their datasets, training by the data producers, and support for using the site. CFData has released a MIHOPE Check-in Data recording for researchers. Visit **CFData** to learn more.

Upcoming Conferences

American Public Health Association (APHA) 2024 Annual Meeting and Expo (October 27-30, 2024, in Minneapolis, MN)

Registration is open for the 2024 APHA annual meeting. This year's APHA meeting theme is *Rebuilding Trust in Public Health and Science* including current and emerging issues in public health. Each year this meeting provides high-quality, science-based education, engaging networking opportunities, and cutting-edge resources to thousands of public health professionals across the nation.

Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR) Annual Conference (January 15-19, 2025, in Seattle, WA)

Save the date for SSWR's **annual conference** entitled, *Strengthening Social Impact through Collaborative Research*. SSWR's annual conference offers a scientific program that reflects a variety of research interests including workshops on the latest research methodologies to sessions on research priorities and capacity building that target cutting-edge topics vital to contemporary social work research.

National Home Visiting Summit (February 12-14, 2025, in Washington, DC)

<u>Early bird registration</u> is now open for the 2025 Summit which aims to integrate policy, practice, and research to influence systems change to advance equitable and quality home visiting services, structures and systems. Additionally, Start Early is accepting proposal submissions until August 30, 2024. Proposals should address systems change work within home visiting and early childhood systems of care. To learn more about

submissions, please visit Start Early.

24th National Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect (April 1-3, 2025, in Rockville, MD)

Save the date for the 24th National Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect (NCCAN), sponsored by the Children's Bureau. Innovative sessions will focus on developing ideas-to-action strategies that provide opportunities to exchange ideas and learn what works from community members and peers. Additionally, NCCAN is soliciting proposals in five areas 1) advancing equity, 2) preventing children from coming into foster care, 3) support for kinship caregivers, 4) ensuring youth leave care with strengthened relationships, holistic supports, and opportunities, and 5) investing in the child welfare workforce. Deadline is August 9, 2024.

Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD) Biennial Meeting (May 1-3, 2025, in Minneapolis, MN)

SRCD continues its commitment to highlight cutting-edge research, policy, and practice in child development. The 2025 meeting will highlight developmental science broadly, a diversity of programs, increased emphasis on scholar-activism and more. The **2025 Call for Submissions** is now open. <u>Deadline is September 26, 2024.</u>

For more information on upcoming conferences, please visit HARC's <u>Upcoming Conferences and Webinars page!</u>

Don't Miss Out! Early Career Researcher Opportunities



Postdoctoral Fellowship: Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting

The Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health is pleased to announce a postdoctoral fellowship in child and family health services with focus on **case management**, **service coordination** and **workforce development** in the context of **early childhood home visiting programs**. The fellow will work with two HRSA funded projects and will have the opportunity to contribute to literature reviews, research study design and implementation, data analysis, and dissemination. Additionally, this postdoctoral fellowship offers opportunities for collaboration and professional development. Apply today.

ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods

This summer <u>program</u>, designed for undergraduates to mid-career researchers, provides comprehensive training in statistics, quantitative and qualitative methods, and data analysis. Beyond the coursework, the program features hands-on, applied work in statistical software packages, provides students with individual feedback and one-on-one consultation, as well as guidance from faculty.

Join HARC's Practice-Based Research Network (PBRN)

Why Join?



Share Your Voice

HARC brings together home visiting staff, network leaders, model representatives, families and researchers to identify and answer important research questions. This research can help strengthen the benefits of home visiting for all families.

Make an Impact

Home visiting research needs your voice in order to support innovative practice. Join HARC to create research that can improve home visiting practice and policy!

Get Connected

Connect with peers, learn about new research studies, join a special interest group, and stay informed about home visiting with the HARC monthly newsletter!





The Home Visiting Applied Research Collaborative is a national research and development platform for innovation to broaden and strengthen home visiting's benefits for all families and communities.

<u>hvresearch.org</u>



Missed a newsletter? No worries - they're now available on the HARC <u>website</u> along with our <u>monthly literature</u> <u>updates!</u>

Home Visiting Applied Research Collaborative <u>www.hvresearch.org</u>

Do you have research-related announcements or examples of precision research you'd like to share with the HARC network? If so, we'd love to hear from you! Guidelines for newsletter submissions can be found on our website. If you have any questions, please feel free to send to Diana (dchute1@jhu.edu).

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