



# HARC Herald

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## Propose a Study!

### How to Propose a Study for HARC's Practice-based Research Network (PBRN)

All HARC members can propose studies that leverage the power of HARC's **practice-based research network** (PBRN). The PBRN facilitates gathering perspectives of from local home visiting programs across the US. We recently updated our proposal submission guidelines. To learn more, see the [Propose a Study](#) page on the HARC website.

## In the News

## Data Linkage and Integration for Research and Statistical Purposes: An Annotated Bibliography (OPRE Report 2024-355)



Looking for information about TA resources on how to link and integrate administrative data for program operations, research, and statistical purposes? This **annotated bibliography** provides such information for those interested in technical infrastructure, data governance, data analytics and use, and community engagement.

## Using a Continuous Quality Improvement Approach in Indigenous Contexts: Lessons Learned from Tribal Home Visiting (OPRE Report 2024-200)

The aim of this **report** was to examine the applicability of a Continuous Quality Improvement Collaborative (CQIC) approach in Indigenous settings as a required grant activity. Findings included that implementation of the CQIC approach within the grant program required intensive support and extensive resource development from federal staff and technical assistance providers and that improving feasibility of implementation included reducing administrative burden, securing initial support, and staff buy-in.

## National Research Conference on Early Childhood (NRCEC) 2024 Conference Recordings are Now Available

Select **session recordings** are now available for anyone who missed this year's NRCEC conference. These sessions include topics such as historical inequities in early care and education, exclusionary practices in early childhood, and methods for engaging individuals with lived experience in early childhood research.

## 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](#).

## External Job Postings

### Assistant Scientist - Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health

The Bloomberg School of Public Health, Department of Population, Family, and Reproductive Health is seeking an **Assistant Scientist**. The successful applicant will support an innovative community-partnered, applied research portfolio addressing case management, service coordination, and/or workforce development in US domestic maternal, infant, and early

childhood home visiting programs and systems that serve families with young children. Applicants must hold a doctorate in public health, social work, psychology, or a related field and have services research experience and excellent writing skills.

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## Work with the Office of Research, Planning and Evaluation (OPRE)!

Jefferson Consulting Group, an OPRE contractor, is seeking candidates for a contract Social Science Research Analyst position supporting OPRE's Division of Family Strengthening. This position will support federal staff and will carry out responsibilities related to supporting research and evaluation activities related to human services programs. **Apply today.**

## Don't Miss Out! Early Career Researcher Opportunities!

### Applications Are Open for the 2025-2026 Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD) U.S. Policy Fellowship Program

Are you a postdoctoral scholar with child development expertise and an interest in policy? If so, SRCD is now accepting **applications** for their 2025-2026 SRCD U.S. Policy Fellowship Program. Fellows will be immersed in policy for one to two years in a state, federal agency, or in Congress and will receive a competitive stipend and significant development support. Deadline is January 6, 2025.

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### National African American Child and Family Research Center (NAACFRC): Undergraduate Emerging Scholars Program

The NAACFRC invites **applications** for the 2025-26 Undergraduate Emerging Scholars Program. This is an 8-week mentored research internship designed for students interested in community-based participatory research on economic and social mobility, poverty alleviation, and early care and education for African American children and families. Deadline is March 7, 2025.

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### National African American Child and Family Research Center (NAACFRC): Graduate Emerging Scholars Program

The NAACFRC invites **applications** for the 2025-26 Emerging Scholars Program for graduate students. This is a one-year, remote-mentored research internship designed to increase the knowledge and skills of students interested in research on economic and social mobility, poverty alleviation, and early care and education for African American children and families. Deadline is March 7, 2025.



### HARC's Early Career Researchers Webinar Recording is Now Available

Recordings are now available for anyone who missed HARC's early career researcher

**webinar** entitled *Professional Development for Early Career Home Visiting Researchers*. In this webinar, Brenda Jones Harden and Jon Korfmacher discuss strategies for finding mentors, developing a personal research agenda and monitoring time.

## Share Your Voice! Current Research Opportunities

### Participate in Research on Home Visiting Implementation Quality!

Three studies examining aspects of a **conceptual framework for implementation quality** are currently underway for the Home Visiting Assessments of Implementation Quality (HV-AIM) project. The studies focus on (1) addressing disparities, (2) family voice and leadership, and (3) supervision. You can find more information and complete surveys for all three studies at **this link**. Email Sarah Crowne (**scrowne@childtrends.org**) with general questions.

## Upcoming Conferences

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

**Registration** is still open 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)

Start Early's 2025 **National Home Visiting Summit** has sold out. If you wish to be added to their waitlist, please complete their **waitlist form** no later than **January 7, 2025**.

### Association of Maternal and Child Health Programs (AMCHP) Conference (March 15-18, 2025, in Washington, DC)

**Early bird registration** closes on **January 17, 2025** for the **AMCHP Annual Conference**. Each year, this conference aims to highlight maternal and child health (MCH) programs' impact at all levels on women, children and families and to provide attendees with the tools and resources to develop, enhance, and sustain vital MCH programs and services.



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

Save the date for the **24<sup>th</sup> 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.

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

**Registration** is open for the SRCD Biennial Meeting. The **2025 meeting** will highlight developmental science broadly, a diversity of programs, increased emphasis on scholar-activism, and more.

## National African American Child and Family Research Center (NAACFRC) 2025 Community-Engaged Research (CER) Conference (June 12, 2025, in Atlanta, GA)

**Call for proposals** for the NAACFRC are open through January 10, 2025. This year, the conference will feature CER and include innovative research methods, stories of successful collaborations, and lessons learned. Conference registration opens on March 31, 2025.

**For more information on upcoming conferences, please visit HARC's Upcoming Conferences and Webinars page!**

## Become a HARC Member!

### 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!

#### OUR MISSION

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.

[hvresearch.org](http://hvresearch.org)



Join the Network Today

PS: It's FREE!



**Missed a newsletter? No worries - they're now available on**

# the HARC website along with our monthly literature updates!

## Home Visiting Applied Research Collaborative [www.hvresearch.org](http://www.hvresearch.org)

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](mailto:dchute1@jhu.edu)).

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