



# HARC Herald

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## All Things HARC!

### Registration is Now Open for HARC's April Webinar!



HARC WEBINAR SERIES

## Data Sharing in Home Visiting Research

April 3, 2025      12pm - 1pm ET



*Nichole Sturmfels*



*Jessica Bruning*



*Emily Heberlein*



*Becky Fauth*

*James Bell Associates*

*Tufts University*

**Register Now!**



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Linking or sharing home visiting data with other data sources expands the range of possible research questions. This webinar will share findings and implications from a scoping review of published, peer-reviewed research using home visiting data linked with other administrative datasets. We will also hear about a state-university data sharing partnership in Massachusetts that explored the link between home visiting participation and connections to healthcare and early childhood services.

**Register Today!**

# Missed a HARC Webinar? Catch Up Here!

## ***Making Data Clear: Creating Accessible and Impactful Visualizations for Public Audiences***

In this **webinar**, Pete Lawson discusses design principles and recommended practices for creating effective data visualizations for public health audiences.

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## ***Use of Real World Data and Big Data Analytics to Propel Precision Research***

In this **webinar**, David Bard discusses best practices and potential analytic approaches for using big data and provides case studies in precision medicine settings.

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## ***Early Career Scholars Special Interest Group – Kick-Off Meeting Recording and PCORI Funding 101***

In this **webinar**, Darius Tandon shared his experience in applying for and carrying out PCORI funded studies and shared helpful tips for developing proposals, finding collaborators, and crafting research questions and designs.

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## ***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 time management.

## Hot Off the Press! Recent Work by HARC and its Members

### ***Criminal Legal System Experiences Among Families Receiving Home Visiting Services: A Scoping Review of the Literature***

This month, several members of HARC's Justice System Involved Families special interest group co-authored a **scoping review** of the literature to better understand criminal legal system (CLS) experiences among families participating in early childhood home visiting services. Findings showed the need for more information about CLS experiences of families participating in home visiting programs.

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### ***Developmental Monitoring and Promotion in Home Visiting: A Qualitative Study of Parents and Providers***

This month, HARC member David Bard and colleagues published results from their qualitative **study** exploring how home visiting programs monitor and promote child development. The team used

**HARC's Precision Paradigm** to inform the interview guides and to interpret the results.

Findings from this study revealed that while home visiting programs are prioritizing developmental monitoring and promotion, barriers exist that negatively impact provider and parent efforts to support positive child development.

## ***Home-Delivered Pediatric Weight Management for Low-Income Families: A Randomized Controlled Trial***

This month, HARC member Bradley Appelhans and colleagues published results from their **study** of a home visiting pediatric obesity intervention. While there were no significant differences in overall 12-month weight loss outcomes between the home-delivered and clinic-delivered interventions, session attendance and total contact time predicted larger decreases in zBMI, and both were greater in the home-delivered intervention.

## **Opportunities to Join Special Interest Groups**

HARC Special Interest Groups (SIGs) provide a forum for HARC members to connect around a particular topic. We currently have special interest groups for HARC members interested in Justice-System Involved Families, Early Career Scholars, and Workforce Development. If you would like to join our Early Career Scholars or Workforce Development SIGs, please complete the interest form by clicking on the name of the SIG:

- **Early Career Scholars**
- **Workforce Development**

## **National Nutrition Month**

### **Home Visiting to Promote Nutrition**

Several early childhood home visiting programs promote maternal and child nutrition in numerous ways including linkages to programs such as the **Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children** and providing guidance on healthy diets and breastfeeding support. This month, we are sharing a snapshot of recent **research** focusing on how home visiting promotes maternal and child nutrition.



## **Monthly Peer-Reviewed Literature Updates**

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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**.

## **Upcoming Training**

**Child and Adolescent Maltreatment Prevention (CHAMP)  
Institute's Reducing Risk for Child Maltreatment and Treating Its  
Consequences: A National Training Series on the Application of**

## Causal Science

In this national **training series**, participants will gain an understanding of how predictive and causal knowledge may be obtained scientifically and applied by practitioners, child welfare case workers, or public policymakers to improve the lives of maltreated children.

## Upcoming Conferences



### **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 and more.

### **American Psychological Association (APA) Conference (August 7-9, 2025, in Denver, CO)**

**Early bird registration** opens on April 23<sup>rd</sup> for **APA's 2025 Conference**. This annual conference covers a wide range of topics related to psychology, including research, career development, and professional networking.

### **The Colorado Pragmatic Research Health Conference - Team Science to Enhance Innovation and Impact (June 4-5, 2025, Aurora, CO and virtual)**

**Registration** is now open for the 2025 Colorado Pragmatic Research in Health Conference. This national conference hosted by the **Adult and Child Center for Outcomes Research and Delivery Science** and the **Colorado Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute** aims to train and engage researchers in methods and applications that support research for real-world impact.

### **CityMatCH Maternal and Child Health Leadership Conference (September 15-17, 2025, in St. Louis, MO)**

Registration will open this spring for the **CityMatCH Maternal and Child Health Leadership Conference** entitled *Bridging Divides A Gateway to the Future of Maternal and Child Health*. Registration information is coming soon.

### **ZERO TO THREE LEARN Conference (October 8-9, 2025, in Baltimore, MD)**

**Registration** is now open for the **ZERO TO THREE LEARN Conference**. The goal of this conference is to transform early childhood concepts into action, theories

into skills and the shared passion into positive energy that propels the field forward.



## Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) Conference 2025: *Driving Continuous Quality Improvement Into the Future* (October 28-29, 2025, in Champaign, IL)

The request for **proposals** is now open for the **2025 CQI Conference**. This year's conference is dedicated to celebrating and learning from the past, embracing the present, and shaping the future of quality improvement. Proposals should feature quality improvement strategies, methods, and tools that are practical, proven, or promising. A **virtual informational session** will be held on April 14, 2025. **Deadline for proposal submission is May 2, 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.

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**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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