



AGENDA AT A GLANCE

Sunday, July 28	<u>President's Reception</u>	5:00pm–7:00pm Royal Garden Terrace
Monday, July 29	<u>Welcome</u>	8:00am–8:15am Grand Salon
	<u>Morning Plenary</u> Collaboration at the Federal Level: Promoting Father Engagement	8:15am–9:15am Grand Salon
	<u>Breakout Session 1</u>	9:30am–10:45am
	<u>Breakout Session 2</u>	11:00am–12:15pm
	<u>Lunch</u>	12:15pm–1:10pm Esplanade Complex
	<u>Afternoon Plenary</u> Breaking the Cycle of Poverty by Designing Programs for All Family Members	1:15pm–2:15pm Grand Salon
	<u>Breakout Session 3</u>	2:30pm–3:45pm
	<u>Breakout Session 4</u>	4:00pm–5:15pm
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Tuesday, July 30	<u>Announcements and Morning Plenary</u> The Critical Role of Executive Skills in Goal Setting and Attainment	8:00am–9:15am Grand Salon
	<u>Breakout Session 5</u>	9:30am–10:45am
	<u>Speed Sessions</u>	11:00am–12:15pm Grand Salon
	<u>Lunch</u>	12:15pm–1:10pm Esplanade Complex
	<u>Afternoon Plenary</u> Social Enterprises: Supporting Employment for Low-income Individuals	1:15pm–2:15pm Grand Salon
	<u>Breakout Session 6</u>	2:30pm–3:45pm
	<u>Breakout Session 7</u>	4:00pm–5:15pm
	<u>Special Tuesday Evening Event</u> B.B. King's Blues Club (Limited attendance–RSVP required)	6:00pm–10:00pm 1104 Decatur St.
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Wednesday, July 31	<u>Announcements & Morning Plenary</u> Reducing Child Poverty	8:15am–9:45am Grand Salon
	<u>Breakout Session 8</u>	10:15am–11:30am
	<u>Awards and Closing</u>	11:45pm–12:15pm Grand Salon

SPECIAL TUESDAY EVENING NETWORKING RECEPTION



Please plan to arrive no later than 6:15pm
Event is limited to the first 100 guests who RSVP.

1104 Decatur Street
6:00 pm – 10:00 pm

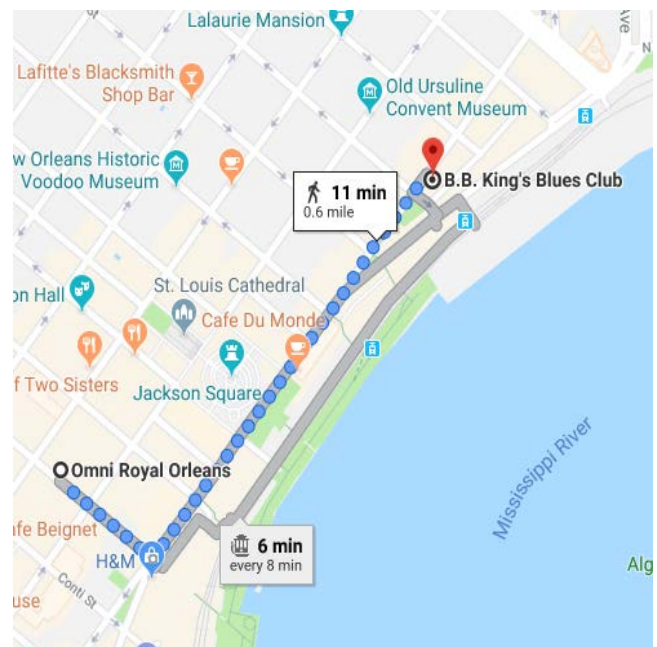
- Featuring live entertainment
- Known for its famous barbeque and Southern-inspired cuisine
- Dinner and drinks will be provided

B.B. King Blues Club is located about 0.5 miles from the hotel.

Walking directions:

- Southeast on St. Louis Street towards Chartres Street 0.1 miles
- Turn left on Decatur Street 0.4 miles

For car service, see a volunteer in the lobby.



PROGRAM AGENDA

Sunday, July 28

12:00pm–1:00pm Board Lunch
Chartres Room

2:00pm–4:00pm Board Meeting
Chartres Room

4:30pm–6:30pm Registration Open
Foyer

5:00pm–7:00pm President's Reception
Royal Garden Terrace

Please join us at the Royal Garden Terrace for a chance to network with other attendees while enjoying some complimentary hors d'oeuvres. Take a moment to get settled in at the Royal Garden Terrace Complex or on the adjoining, outside patio with fellow members.



Monday, July 29

7:30am-1:00pm
Foyer

Registration Open

7:30am-8:00am
Esplanade Complex

Breakfast

Welcome

8:00am-8:15am
Grand Salon

Kate Probert-Fagundes, Ramsey County Workforce Solutions
NAWRS President

Morning Plenary

8:15am-9:15am
Grand Salon

Collaboration at the Federal Level: Promoting Father Engagement
Moderator: Hilary C. Bruck

Clarence H. Carter, Director of the Office of Family Assistance and the Acting Director of the Office of Community Services, HHS
Scott M. Lekan, Commissioner of the Office of Child Support Enforcement, HHS
Deborah Bergeron, Director of the Office of Head Start

Concurrent Sessions I

9:30am-10:45am
East Salon

Evidence-Based Policy-Making
Moderator: [TBD]

Evidence in Action: Implementing the Foundations for Evidence-Based Policymaking Act of 2018
Erica Zielewski, Office of Management & Budget

"Pay for Success" Program Models: The Promise and the Perils
John Tamborino, Office of Management & Budget

Using Data to Inform and Enhance Targeted Investments in the Social Sector: Affordable Housing & Workforce
Tracey Stewart, Gary Community Investments/Piton Foundation
Jennifer Newcomer, SHIFT ResearchLab, Piton Foundation

9:30am-10:45am
Center Salon

Racial Equity in Early Childhood: Using Disaggregated Data to Inform State Policies
Moderator: [TBD]

Ruth Cosse, Center for Law and Social Policy (CLASP)
Stephanie Schmit, Center for Law and Social Policy (CLASP)
Karen Schulman, National Women's Law Center (NWLC)
Cemeré James, National Black Child Development Institute (NBCDI)

9:30am-10:45am West Salon	<p>Where Child Support and TANF Intersect: Cooperation, Pass-Through, and Disregard Policies Moderator: [TBD]</p> <p>Understanding Child Support Cooperation Requirements: Key Policy Features and Implementation Challenges Pamela Holcomb, <i>Mathematica Policy Research</i></p> <p>Effects of Full Pass-Through on Colorado Families in Need Larry Desbien, <i>Colorado DHS, Division of Child Support Services</i> Candace Cadena, <i>Colorado DHS, Employment and Benefits Division</i> Michael Martinez-Schiferl, <i>Colorado DHS, Performance Management Division</i></p> <p>The Effect of Child Support Disregard on TANF Grant: A Story from Minnesota Dorina Nikolla, <i>Minnesota DHS</i> Ben Jaques-Lesli, <i>Minnesota DHS</i></p>
9:30am-10:45am St. Louis/Chartres	<p>What Works for Reducing Recidivism, Increasing Employment, and Strengthening Families after Incarceration Moderator: [TBD]</p> <p>Hannah Betesh, <i>Social Policy Research Associates</i> Jennifer Doleac, <i>Texas A&M University</i> Bright Sarfo, <i>MEF Associates</i></p>
9:30am-10:45am Toulouse/Dauphine	<p>Pathways to Work Evidence Clearinghouse: Distilling Research to Inform Policy and Practice [Facebook Live Session] Moderator: [TBD]</p> <p>Dana Rotz, <i>Mathematica Policy Research</i> Kimberly Clum, <i>Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, ACF</i> Kate Probert-Fagundes, <i>Ramsey County Workforce Solutions</i> Annalisa Mastri, <i>Mathematica Policy Research</i> Ella Gifford-Hawkins, <i>Larimer County Economic and Workforce Development Department</i></p>
9:30am-10:45am Orleans Room	<p>Behavioral Innovations in Nutrition Programs Moderator: [TBD]</p> <p>Measuring the Impact of Transitioning to an “On Demand” Model for SNAP Recertification Interviews Irene Dominguez, <i>New York City Department of Social Services</i></p> <p>Using Behavioral Science to Improve Human Service Programs: Lessons from WIC and SNAP Antonia Violante, <i>ideas42</i> Harrison Neuert, <i>ideas42</i></p>

9:30am-10:45am
Royal Garden Terrace

**Research Academy – Using Rigorous Research Methods to Inform Decisions:
Lessons from the Field**
Moderator [TBD]

*Angela Rachidi, Mathematica Policy Research
Kinsey Dinan, NYC Department of Social Services
Edith Kealey, NYC Department of Social Services
Edward Emmons, Wisconsin Department of Children and Families
Javier Espinosa, Rochester Institute of Technology*

Concurrent Sessions II

11:00am-12:15pm
East Salon

Improving the Delivery of Human Service Programs
Moderator: [TBD]

Using Business Process Analysis to Enhance Human Services Delivery
*AnnaMaria McCutcheon, Mathematica Policy Research
Katie Bodenlos, Mathematica Policy Research
Tyrone Hampton, Jr., Philadelphia Works*

Our Child Welfare Capacity Crisis: Why Everything We Think Will Help ... Won't.
*Bill Bott, Change & Innovation Agency
Sean Toole, Change & Innovation Agency*

**Increased Collaboration and Coordination May Mitigate the Effects of Fragmentation
and Overlap on Early Care and Education Programs**
*Cheryl Jones, U.S. Government Accountability Office
Hedieh Fusfield, U.S. Government Accountability Office*

11:00am-12:15pm
Center Salon

**Starting Out Right: The Importance of Early Childhood and Elementary Education
Programs**
Moderator: [TBD]

Home and School in the Development of Children
Morteza Saharkhiz, IMPAQ International, LLC

**TANF Funded Afterschool and Summer Programs in Support of the Educational
Development of Students from Low-Income Families**
*Mustafa Yilmaz, Kansas Reading Roadmap
Kim Trang, Kansas Reading Roadmap*

**Afterschool and Summer Literacy Programs as Child Care Services to Families with
Low Socioeconomic Background**
*Mustafa Yilmaz, Kansas Reading Roadmap
Andrew Hysell, Hysell-Wagner*

11:00am-12:15pm
West Salon

**Staff Development and Wellness in TANF: Science-Based Strategies to Strengthen
Service Delivery**
Moderator: [TBD]

*Michelle Derr, Mathematica Policy Research
Larry Timmerman, Ramsey County Workforce Solutions*

11:00am-12:15pm St. Louis/Chartres	Innovative Strategies to Support Reentry <i>Moderator: [TBD]</i>
	Evaluation and Initial Findings from Minnesota’s Statewide Initiative to Reduce Recidivism
	<i>Paul Waldhart, Minnesota DHS</i> <i>Jane Lawrenz, Minnesota DHS</i>
	Crushing Barriers and Stigma: Embedded Probation Services in One Stop Career Centers
	<i>Kim Vaught, PCG</i> <i>Sean McCoy, PCG</i>
	Turning the Tables: Employer Engagement through Reverse Job Fairs
	<i>Sean McCoy, PCG</i> <i>Kim Vaught, PCG</i>
11:00am-12:15pm Toulouse/Dauphine	Understanding the Data Capacity and Needs of State TANF Agencies <i>Moderator [TBD]</i>
	<i>Robert Goerge, Chapin Hall, University of Chicago</i> <i>Emily Wiegand, Chapin Hall, University of Chicago</i> <i>Leah Gjertson, Chapin Hall, University of Chicago</i> <i>Adelia Jenkins, Actionable Intelligence for Social Policy (AISP), University of Pennsylvania</i> <i>Melissa Wavelet, MDRC</i>
11:00am-12:15pm Orleans Room	Identifying Challenges in Substance Abuse and Mental Health <i>Moderator: [TBD]</i>
	An Exploration of the Intersection of Illicit Substance Use and Child Support <i>Lauren Antelo, U.S. Department of HHS, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation</i>
	<i>Annette Waters, U.S. Department of HHS, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation</i>
	Mapping the Regional Variation in Foster Care Rates: A Geospatial Benchmark <i>Gilbert Crouse, U.S. Department of HHS, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation</i>
	Life Cycle: So Much More than Bicycles <i>Antonia Sawyer, Clinical and Translational Science Institute (CTSI)</i> <i>Gabriel Kirk, Otis R Bowen Center</i>
11:00am-12:15pm Royal Garden Terrace	Research Academy – Innovative Approaches to Collaborating Around Workforce Data to Improve Job Programs <i>Moderator [TBD]</i>
	<i>Tayyab Walker, New York City Mayor’s Office for Economic Opportunity (NYC Opportunity)</i> <i>Kristin Porter, MDRC</i> <i>Jeannine LaPrad, Corporation for a Skilled Workforce</i> <i>David Berman, New York City Mayor’s Office for Economic Opportunity (NYC Opportunity)</i>
12:15pm-1:10pm Esplanade Complex	Lunch

Afternoon Plenary

Sponsored by MEF Associates

1:15pm-2:15pm
Grand Salon

Breaking the Cycle of Poverty by Designing Programs for All Family Members

Moderator: Mary Beth Vogel-Ferguson, Social Research Institute, College of Social Work, University of Utah



Tracy Gruber, Senior Advisor of the Intergenerational Poverty Initiative at Utah Department of Workforce Services

Henrietta Muñoz, PhD, Senior Vice President over Research and Evaluation at the United Way of San Antonio & Bexar County

Kate Probert-Fagundes, Division Manager for Public Assistance Programs at Ramsey County, Minnesota Workforce Solutions

Concurrent Sessions III

2:30pm-3:45pm
East Salon

Applying Coaching Models in Different Settings

Moderator: [TBD]

Findings from the Frontlines: Scaling Goal4 It!™ in Colorado Works

Sarah Leopold, Colorado DHS

Alex Bauer, Mathematica Policy Research

Katie Grobe, [TBD]

Janet Wolfson, [TBD]

Coaching on Wheels: How a TANF Program Took Case Management to Clients

Jonathan McCay, Mathematica Policy Research

Macia France, La Plata County DHS

Alix Whittaker, La Plata County DHS

2:30pm-3:45pm
Center Salon

Successful Completion of Post-Secondary Education

Moderator: [TBD]

The Transformational Power of Research: Increasing Community College Completion Rates in Tarrant County and Across the Nation

Ronna Huckaby, Catholic Charities Fort Worth

Early Evaluation Findings from Mississippi Integrated Basic Education and Skills Training (MIBEST)

Christin Durham, Urban Institute

Amanda Briggs, Urban Institute

2:30pm-3:45pm
West Salon

The TANF Data Collaborative

Moderator: [TBD]

Alexandra Pennington, MDRC

Adelia Jenkins, Actionable Intelligence for Social Policy (AISP), University of Pennsylvania

Richard Hendra, MDRC

2:30pm-3:45pm
St. Louis/Chartres

Career Pathways

Moderator: Nicole Constance, Administration for Children and Families, HHS

Early Impact and Implementation Findings and Practitioner Perspectives in Career Pathways Evaluations

Karen Gardiner, Abt Associates

Karen Martinson, Abt Associates

Jill Hamadyk, Abt Associates

New Findings from a Career Pathways Evaluation: Implementation and Latest Impacts of the Health Profession Opportunity Grants Program

Robin Koralek, Abt Associates

Daniel Litwok, Abt Associates

Eleanor Harvill, Abt Associates

2:30pm-3:45pm
Toulouse/Dauphine

Utah's Intergenerational Poverty Initiative

Moderator: [TBD]

Tracy Gruber, Utah Department of Workforce Services

Mary Beth Vogel-Ferguson, Social Research Institute, College of Social Work, University of Utah

Benjamin Gibbs, Brigham Young University

2:30pm-3:45pm
Orleans Room

Working in the Gig Economy

Moderator: [TBD]

Independent Contractors and Nontraditional Workers: Implications for the Child Support Program

Asaph Glosser, MEF Associates

Understanding the Characteristics and Experiences of Independent Workers: Design Lessons from a Pilot Survey in Washington State

Val Benson, MEF Associates

Understanding the Characteristics and Experiences of Independent Workers: Findings from a Pilot Survey in Washington State

Riley Webster, MEF Associates

2:30pm-3:45pm
Royal Garden Terrace

Research Academy – Creating Meaningful Measures

Moderator [TBD]

Measuring Progress in Vertical Workforce Development: Toward an Employability Index

Brian Holland, BLH Technologies, Inc.

Assessing Client Progress in TANF: Alternative Measures to WPR

Yunny Tai, San Francisco Human Services Agency

Actionable Steps to Align Federal Performance Indicators across Programs Promoting Self-Sufficiency

Elizabeth Brown, Mathematica Policy Research

Pamela Holcomb, Mathematica Policy Research

3:45pm-4:00pm
[Location]

Break/Snack (Sponsored by Insight Policy Research)



Concurrent Sessions IV

4:00pm-5:15pm
East Salon

USVI TANF: Family and Staff Needs, Program Challenges, and Opportunities after Disruptions

Moderator: [TBD]

*Noreen Michael, University of the Virgin Islands
Deborah Brown, University of the Virgin Islands
E. Aracelis Francis, University of the Virgin Islands*

4:00pm-5:15pm
Center Salon

Career Pathways Curriculum

Moderator [TBD]

Navigating the Road through Your Career: An Evidence-Based Curriculum for Career Advancement

*Sara Chaganti, Institute on Assets and Social Policy, Brandeis University
Sylvia Stewart, Institute on Assets and Social Policy, Brandeis University
Nordia Savage, Health CareRx Academy*

Mapping Career Pathways: Implications for Data Analysis and Policy

*Jessica Santos, Brandeis University
Misti Jeffers, Brandeis University*

4:00pm-5:15pm
West Salon

Assessing Solutions to Homelessness as well as the Costs

Moderator: [TBD]

Mixed Methods to Explore an Approach for Ending Homelessness

Lauren Dunton, Abt Associates Inc.

Los Angeles County Costs of Homeless Children: Service Use over One Year

Jenny Zogg, Los Angeles County Department of Public Social Services

4:00pm-5:15pm
St. Louis/Chartres

Food and Nutrition – Special Populations

Moderator: [TBD]

The State of Food Insecurity among Low-Income Veterans

*Mithuna Srinivasan, IMPAQ International, LLC
Paula Mian, IMPAQ International, LLC
Jennifer Pooler, IMPAQ International, LLC
Zachary Miller, IMPAQ International, LLC*

Using WIC Participant Characteristics Public Use Data

*Betsy Thorn, Insight Policy Research
Nicole Kline, Insight Policy Research
Anna Potter Clifford, USDA Food and Nutrition Service
Joi Greene, USDA Food and Nutrition Service*

The Economic Impacts of Breastfeeding: A Focus on USDA's Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC)

Xinzhe Cheng, USDA, Economic Research Service

4:00pm-5:15pm
Toulouse/Dauphine

Behavioral Interventions in TANF and Child Support Services Panel

Moderator: [TBD]

*Mary Farrell, MEF Associate
Bret Barden, MDRC
Yana Kusayeva, MDRC*

4:00pm-5:15pm
Orleans Room

Research Methods to Ensure Child Safety

Moderator: [TBD]

How to use Big Data to Improve Outcomes

Greg Povolny, Mindshare Technology

Evaluating Family First Act Services: Propensity Score Methods with Complex Survey Data

Duck-Hye Yang, Westat

Investigating Factors that Lead to Longer Stays in Foster Care

Nick Kolupanowich, University of Maryland, School of Social Work, Ruth H. Young Center

Terry Shaw, University of Maryland, School of Social Work, Ruth H. Young Center

Trial Home Visits as a Protective Factor Limiting Foster Care Recidivism

Terry Shaw, University of Maryland, School of Social Work, Ruth H. Young Center

4:00pm-5:15pm
Royal Garden Terrace

Research Academy – Building and Using Integrated Data Systems (IDS) to Promote Cross-Agency Problem-Solving in Human Services

Moderator [TBD]

Adelia Jenkins, Actionable Intelligence for Social Policy (AISP), University of Pennsylvania

Kristina Trastek, Wisconsin Department of Children and Families

Hilary Shager, University of Wisconsin (UW) Institute for Research on Poverty

Jessie Hole, Rhode Island Executive Office of HHS & Freedman HealthCare

Erin Dalton, Allegheny County Department of Human Services

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Grand Salon

[TBD]
Louisiana

Morning Plenary

8:15am-9:15am
Grand Salon

The Critical Role of Executive Skills in Goal Setting and Attainment
Moderator: [TBD]

Richard Guare, Co-Founder, Executive Skills LLC
Mark Fauth, Founder, TuaPath LLC

Concurrent Sessions V

9:30am-10:45am
East Salon

Coaching Evaluations
Moderator: [TBD]

Linking Evidence to Practice: Implementing and Evaluating Employment Coaching
Michelle Derr, Mathematica Policy Research
Kelly Davydov, Iowa Department of Human Rights
Shannon Ralph, Jefferson County Colorado DHS

MDRC's MyGoals for Employment Success Evaluation and the TuaPath Platform
Donna Wharton-Fields, MDRC

9:30am-10:45am
Center Salon

Serving Disconnected & Opportunity Youth
Moderator: [TBD]

Creating Opportunities for Disconnected Youth
David Blount, Urban Institute
Natalie Spievack, Urban Institute
Nathan Sick, Urban Institute
Alan Dodkowitz, Urban Institute

Serving Opportunity Youth through Innovative Collaborations in Government
Jean-Marie Callan, New York City Mayor's Office for Economic Opportunity
Liam Ristow, Westat
Danielle Cummings, MDRC

9:30am-10:45am West Salon	<p>Trauma-Informed Services <i>Moderator: [TBD]</i></p> <p>Becoming a Trauma-Informed State: One Step at a Time! <i>Mary Beth Vogel-Ferguson, Social Research Institute, College of Social Work, University of Utah</i></p> <p>Understanding Juvenile Reentry: An Evaluation of Youth Service Needs and Utilization <i>Christina Sogar, University of Nebraska at Kearney</i> <i>Jody VanLaningham, University of Nebraska at Kearney</i> <i>Julie Campbell, University of Nebraska at Kearney</i> <i>Suzanne Maughan, University of Nebraska at Kearney</i></p> <p>A Better Future for Children: Family Focused Child Support-Child Welfare Services <i>Diane Potts, Center for the Support of Families, a Division of SLI Government Solutions</i></p>
9:30am-10:45am St. Louis/Chartres	<p>Supporting Employment & Career Advancement through Specific Industries <i>Moderator: [TBD]</i></p> <p>Coping with Work Instability in Minnesota <i>Amelia Coffey, Urban Institute</i> <i>Deborah Schlick, Minnesota DHS</i></p> <p>Building Prosperity Ecosystems: Shifting Mindsets to Become Entrepreneurs! <i>Makaya McKnight, PCG</i> <i>Kim Vaught, PCG</i> <i>Sean McCoy, PCG</i> <i>Meredith Crouse, PCG</i></p> <p>Apprenticeships for Low-income Populations in Washington <i>Erin Frasier, Washington State Board for Community & Technical Colleges</i> <i>Shana Peschek, Washington State Construction Center of Excellence</i> <i>Louisa Erickson, Washington State Department of Social & Health Services</i></p>
9:30am-10:45am Toulouse/Dauphine	<p>A Collaborative Process to Improve Efforts to Outcomes: Lessons Learned from PROMISE Projects <i>Moderator: [TBD]</i></p> <p><i>Jade Gingerich, Maryland Department of Disabilities</i> <i>Kelli Crance, Center for Transition and Career Innovation, University of Maryland</i> <i>Ellie Hartman, University of Wisconsin, Stout</i> <i>Rebekah Selekman, Mathematica Policy Research</i></p>
9:30am-10:45am Orleans Room	<p>The Savings Initiative Pilot: A New Way to Increase Financial Resilience by Social Connection/Capital and Nontraditional Savings for TANF Parents <i>Moderator: [TBD]</i></p> <p><i>Alicia Atkinson, The Prosperity Agenda</i> <i>William Vesneski, University of Washington</i> <i>Nate Mazzuca, Career Path Services</i></p>

9:30am-10:45am
Royal Garden Terrace

Research Academy – Leveraging Administrative Data to Meet Program Needs
Moderator [TBD]

Birth Match: Timely Use of Child Welfare Administrative Data to Protect Newborns
Terry Shaw, University of Maryland, School of Social Work, Ruth H. Young Center

Using Administrative Data to Target Social Worker Outreach for Homeless Families at Risk for Child Maltreatment

Angela Ghesquiere, NYC Department of Social Services, Office of Evaluation of Research
Edith Kealy, NYC Department of Social Services
Kinsey Dinan, NYC Department of Social Services

Leveraging Administrative Data to Study Characteristics and Outcomes of HUD Tenants

Carol Leming, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

10:45am-11:00am

Break

Concurrent Sessions VI

11:00am-12:15pm
Grand Salon

Speed Sessions (Pick three to attend, one every 25 minutes)

Table 1: TANF Collaborations: Strategies to Empower People (STEP)
James Vidacovich, Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services

Table 2: Building Coaching Capacity in TANF Programs
Ella Gifford-Hawkins, Larimer County Economic and Workforce Development Department
Mark Fauth, TuaPath, LLC

Table 3: Why You Should Stop Using the Word “Welfare”
Tazra Mitchell, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities

Table 4: Application of Work Requirements across Human Service Programs
Gretchen Rowe, Mathematica Policy Research

Table 5: Incorporating Two-Generation Approaches into Community Change
Amelia Coffey, Urban Institute
Henrietta Muñoz, United Way of San Antonio and Bexar County

Table 6: States' Efforts to Support Children Affected by Trauma
Elizabeth Morrison, U.S. Government Accountability Office

Table 7: Leveraging Rural Strengths and Assets: Approaches Used by Tribal Career Pathways Programs
Michael Meit, NORC at the University of Chicago

Table 8: Pathways toward Prosperity and Well-Being: A Bold New Approach to Reduce Poverty and Create Healthy, Thriving Lives
Kathleen Simon, Dakota County Government
Leigh Durbahn, Olmsted County Government

Table 9: Integrated Social Services: Gathering Evidence of What Works and Why
Annalisa Mastri, Mathematica Policy Research
Tyrone Hampton, Jr., Philadelphia Works
Stephen Bell, Westat

Table 10: Father Project: Leveraging Evaluation Fundamentals and Local

Collaboration to Enhance Program Delivery
Kelli DeCook, Family Service Rochester
Leigh Durbahn, Olmsted County Government, Minnesota

Table 11: Collaboration by Design
Nancy McCrohan, Public Policy Associates Inc.
Amanda Ramsey, Kansas Department of Commerce

Table 12: Research and Practice Collaboration: Seeking Innovative Employment Service Strategies
Dan Bloom, MDRC
Karin Martinson, Abt Associates
Sheena McConnell, Mathematica Policy Research

Table 13: Enhancing Workforce and Early Childhood Education Participation through Collaborative Provision of Diapers
Lynn Comer, National Diaper Bank Network
Janet Stolfi Alfano, The Diaper Bank of Connecticut

11:00am-12:15pm
Royal Garden Terrace

Research Academy – Demonstration of a New Approach to Tools and Training Using a TANF Dashboard as an Example

Julia Lane, New York University
Erin Dalton, Allegheny County Department of Human Services

12:15pm-1:10pm
Esplanade Complex

Lunch

Afternoon Plenary

1:15pm-2:15pm
Grand Salon

Creating Jobs: The Role of Social Enterprise in Subsidized Employment Programs
Moderator: Mike Fishman, MEF Associates

Dan Bloom, MDRC
Nan Maxwell, Mathematica Policy Research
Gregg Keesling, RecycleForce

Concurrent Sessions VII

2:30pm-3:45pm
East Salon

Holistic, Collaborative Workforce Development Programming for Public Housing Residents: Learning from Jobs-Plus
Moderator: [TBD]

Daniel Edelman, NYC Mayor's Office for Economic Opportunity
Josh Leopold, Urban Institute
Nandita Verma, MDRC

2:30pm-3:45pm
Center Salon

Supporting Parents through Child Care
Moderator: [TBD]

Understanding How States Support Parents in Education and Training Programs through the Child Care and Development Fund

Kelly Dwyer, Urban Institute

Opportunity Quest: A Collaborative Approach for Addressing the Employment Barriers Faced by Low Income, Low Skilled Parents

Carolyn Corea, IMPAQ International, LLC

Neha Nanda, IMPAQ International, LLC

Bridging the Gap: How Local Workforce Development Boards Can Help Address Child Care Barriers

Semhar Gebrekristos, Urban Institute

2:30pm-3:45pm
West Salon

Disaster SNAP: Lessons Learned and Best Practices in Louisiana

Moderator: [TBD]

Allison Rigsby, Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services

2:30pm-3:45pm
St. Louis/Chartres

Pathways out of Poverty: Data-Informed Solutions for Austin/Travis County

Moderator: [TBD]

Heath Prince, Ray Marshall Center for the Study of Human Resources, LBJ School of Public Affairs, University of Texas at Austin

Greg Cumpston, Ray Marshall Center for the Study of Human Resources, LBJ School of Public Affairs, University of Texas at Austin

Leah Meunier, Workforce Solutions Capital Area

Lawrence Lyman, Travis County Health and Human Services Department

2:30pm-3:45pm
Toulouse/Dauphine

Paid Leave to Support Individuals and Families

Moderator: [TBD]

Disability Perspectives: An Analysis of Leave Taking among Workers Affected by Disabilities

Suma Setty, National Center for Children in Poverty, Columbia University

Seth Hartig, National Center for Children in Poverty, Columbia University

Paid Family Leave: Supporting Work and Family Stability among Lower Income Mothers

Pamela Winston, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, HHS

2:30pm-3:45pm
Orleans Room

Job Search and Workforce Assistance for TANF

Moderator: [TBD]

Integrating WIOA Expertise into TANF and SNAP

Marcy Kasner, Larimer County Economic and Workforce Development

Mark Fauth, TuaPath, LLC

The Impact of Different Job Search Approaches for TANF Recipients on Employment

Karin Martinson, Abt Associates

Successful Partnerships Create a Pathway to the Middle Class for TANF Recipients

Karen Armstrong, IMPAQ International, LLC

Jessica Smith, IMPAQ International, LLC

2:30pm-3:45pm
Royal Garden Terrace

Research Academy – Using Human-Centered Design to Strengthen Collaborative, Participatory Research, and Program Innovation
Moderator [TBD]

Jonathan McCay, Mathematica Policy Research
Michelle Derr, Mathematica Policy Research
Annalisa Mastri, Mathematica Policy Research

3:45pm-4:00pm
[Location]

Break/Snack (Sponsored by ICF International/Self-Sufficiency Research Clearinghouse)



Concurrent Sessions VIII

4:00pm-5:15pm
East Salon

Learning from Employers: How Programs Can Develop More Qualified Job Seekers
Moderator [TBD]

Michelle Derr, Mathematica Policy Research
Mark Ezzo, Mathematica Policy Research
Patricia Blumenauer, Philadelphia Works, Inc.

4:00pm-5:15pm
Center Salon

Income Stability and Alleviating Poverty
Moderator [TBD]

Assessing a Package of Policies to Reduce Child Poverty in the U.S.
Sarah Minton, Urban Institute

Can Minimum Wage Increases Lead to Benefit Cliffs? Comparing Assumptions to Reality
Seth Hartig, National Center of Children in Poverty, Columbia University

Stable Source of Income: Investigating the Variance of TANF Grants in Minnesota
Ben Jaques-Leslie, Minnesota DHS

4:00pm-5:15pm
West Salon

Addressing Barriers to Women's Entry into High-Growth Industries: A Behavioral Intervention Approach
Moderator [TBD]

Neha Nanda, IMPAQ International, LLC
Carolyn Corea, IMPAQ International, LLC
Paula Mian, IMPAQ International, LLC

4:00pm-5:15pm
St. Louis/Chartres

Transitions to Adulthood from Foster Care: Education, Employment and Housing
Moderator [TBD]

Michael Pergamit, Urban Institute
Devlin Hanson, Urban Institute
Jiffy Lansing, Northwestern University
Alexandra Stanczyk, Urban Institute

4:00pm-5:15pm
Toulouse/Dauphine

Deeper Dive into TANF Populations
Moderator [TBD]

TANF Child-Only Cases: What Are Their Needs and How Can We Serve Them?
Kristen Joyce, Mathematica Policy Research

Fostering Collaboration with TANF Leavers' Survey Results
Candace Cadena, Colorado DHS, Employment and Benefits Division
Rebecca Eaton, Eaton Synergies, LLC
Shelly Osborn, ICF
Sarah Leopold, Colorado DHS

4:00pm-5:15pm
Orleans Room

SNAP E&T Partnerships
Moderator [TBD]

Characteristics of SNAP E&T Participants and Programs
Gretchen Rowe, Mathematica Policy Research

Partnering to Provide Services to SNAP Employment and Training Program Participants
Kristen Jones, U.S. Government Accountability Office

SNAP E&T Partnership in Louisiana
Allison Rigsby, Louisiana Department of Children and Family Services
Dennis Bagneris, Liberty Kitchens

4:00pm-5:15pm
Royal Garden Terrace

Research Academy – Methods and Considerations in Describing TANF Caseloads from the Family Self-Sufficiency Data Center
Moderator [TBD]

Emily Wiegand, Chapin Hall, University of Chicago
Robert Goerge, Chapin Hall, University of Chicago
Leah Gjertson, Chapin Hall, University of Chicago

Networking Reception at B.B. King's Blues Club (1104 Decatur Street, about 0.5 miles from the hotel)

6:00pm-10:00pm

See Details on Page 13
Event is limited to the first 100 guests who RSVP
Dinner and drinks provided
Please plan to arrive no later than 6:15pm



Wednesday, July 31

7:30am-10:30am
Foyer

Registration Open

7:30am-8:15am
Esplanade Complex

Breakfast

Announcements

8:15am-8:30am
Grand Salon

[TBD]

Morning Plenary

8:30am-9:45am
Grand Salon

Reducing Child Poverty
Moderator: [TBD]

Benard P. Dreyer, Professor of Pediatrics, New York University
Christine James-Brown, President & CEO, Child Welfare League of America

9:45am-10:15am

Break for Hotel Checkout

Concurrent Sessions IX

10:15am-11:30am
East Salon

NYC's Service Design Studio: A Resident-First Approach to Public Service
Moderator: [TBD]

Caroline Bauer, NYC Mayor's Office for Economic Opportunity
Kailey Burger, NYC Administration for Children's Services
Markus Kessler, NYC Administration for Children's Services
Stephen Whitlow, Abt Associates

10:15am-11:30am
Center Salon

State Experiences Measuring Caseload Dynamics and Earnings Outcomes for TANF Participants
Moderator: [TBD]

Leah Gjertson, Chapin Hall, University of Chicago
Kristen Boelcke-Stennes, Minnesota DHS
Letitia Passarella, University of Maryland, School of Social Work, Ruth H. Young Center
Jeff Prince, Virginia Department of Social Services
Akhtar Khan, California Department of Social Services

10:15am-11:30am West Salon	Building a Positive Organizational Culture in TANF Programs <i>Moderator: [TBD]</i> <i>Asaph Glosser, MEF Associates</i> <i>Sook Jin Ong, Future Services Institute</i> <i>Kimberly Petersen, Santa Cruz County Human Services</i>
10:15am-11:30am St. Louis/Chartres	Family Perspectives on Marginal Tax Rates, Safety Net Benefits, and Employment <i>Moderator: [TBD]</i> <i>Rachel Gaddes, Insight Policy Research</i> <i>Brittany McGill, Insight Policy Research</i> <i>Rachel Holzwart, Insight Policy Research</i> <i>Pamela Winston, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, HHS</i>
10:15am-11:30am Toulouse/Dauphine	Improving Administrative Data for Research and Program Implementation <i>Moderator: [TBD]</i> What Does It Mean to Be Asian American? Definitions of Asian Americans in Research on Poverty <i>Victoria Tran, Urban Institute</i> Tapping Qualitative Information to Strengthen Estimates of Social Policy Impacts <i>Stephen Bell, Westat</i> <i>Joseph Gasper, Westat</i> Frontline Workers and the Creation of Administrative Data for Social Policy Evaluation <i>Correne Saunders, Abt Associates</i> <i>Andrea Hetling, Rutgers University-New Brunswick</i>
10:15am-11:30am Orleans Room	New Approaches to Addressing Poverty <i>Moderator: [TBD]</i> Using Brain Science to Develop New Pathways Out of Poverty <i>Ruthie Liberman, EMPATH Economic Mobility Pathways</i> <i>Agnes Venson, Office of Work Opportunity, Washington D.C. DHS</i> Transforming Impossible into Possible (TIP) Intervention as an Innovative Community-Based Collaborative Model <i>Philip Young Hong, Loyola University Chicago</i> <i>Dara Lewis, Loyola University Chicago</i> <i>Rana Hong, Loyola University Chicago</i>
10:15am-11:30am Royal Garden Terrace	Findings from the New Economy and Child Care Project <i>Moderator: [TBD]</i> <i>Angela Rachidi, Mathematica Policy Research</i> <i>Kerry DeJardins, APHSA</i> <i>Julius Chaidez, APHSA</i> <i>Russell Sykes, APHSA</i>
11:45pm-12:15pm	Awards and Closing

Grand Salon

1:00pm-2:00pm
Chartres Room

NAWRS Board Luncheon

3:00pm-9:00pm
Chartres Room

NAWRS Board Meeting