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Detailed Schedule // Thursday, November 8  
Sessions // 10:15 - 11:45

**21st Century Model for Parent Engagement: Educating Low-Income Parents and Children Simultaneously**  
(CHILD) (SF)

Location:  
Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon A

Chair:  
Virginia Knox, MDRC

Papers:  
A Multidisciplinary Perspective On the Bi-Directional Influences of Parents and Children In Two-Generation Education Programs  
P. Lindsay Chase-Lansdale, Northwestern University; Jeanne Brooks-Gunn, Columbia University

New Models of Parent-Child Engagement In Early Childhood Education: Promoting Low-Income Parents' Education and Careers  
Teresa Eckrich Sommer, Northwestern University; Christopher King, The University of Texas at Austin; Robert W. Glover, The University of Texas at Austin; Hirokazu Yoshikawa, Harvard University

The Influence of Low-Income Children's Advances In Learning On Their Mothers' Educational Attainment  
Terri J. Sabol, Northwestern University; P. Lindsay Chase-Lansdale, Northwestern University

Expansion of the Child-Parent Centers (PreK-3rd Grade Model): Opportunities to Promote Parent Engagement and Education  
Arthur J. Reynolds, University of Minnesota; C. Momoko Hayakawa, University of Minnesota

Discussant(s):  
Henry Wilde, Acelero Learning, Inc.

**Biasing Knowledge? the Role of Interested Funders In the Creation and Interpretation of Science**  
(ST) (PF)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, D'Alesandro

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:

The Distorting Effects of Industry-Sponsored Research On Food and Health

Jonathan H. Marks, Edmond J Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard University  
Pennsylvania State University

Independent Evaluation: Insights From Public Accounting

Abigail Brown, Harvard University; Jacob Klerman, Abt Associates Inc.

Conflicts of Interest In Clinical Practice Guidelines: Implications for Public Policy and Guideline Development

Lisa Cosgrove, Edmond J Safra Center for Ethics, Harvard University  
University of Massachusetts, Boston; Allen Shaughnessy, Tufts University, School of Medicine; Harold Bursztajn, Harvard Medical School Mass Mental Health Center; Emily E. Wheeler, University of Massachusetts, Boston, Department of Counseling and School Psychology; Deborah R. Erlich, Tufts University, School of Medicine

Destroying Creative Destruction: The Social Welfare Costs of Fraud

Abigail Brown, Harvard University; Simon Angus, Monash University

Discussant(s):

TBD

### **Choice Schools and Policies** (EDU)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Carroll

Chair:

Ron Zimmer, Peabody Research Institute, Vanderbilt University

Papers:

Stuck In School: How Family Dynamics, School Choice Policies and Residential Mobility Shape Educational Careers

Stefanie DeLuca, Johns Hopkins University; Melody Boyd, SUNY Brockport; Barbara Condliffe, Johns Hopkins University

What Works Best for Whom and Under What Conditions? Evidence From Multiple Voucher Experiments

Tyler Scott, University of Washington; Grant Blume, University of Washington; Maureen Pirog, University of Washington

Parents' Responses to Citywide School Choice: Evidence From New Orleans  
Jennifer Steele, RAND Corporation

The Los Angeles Unified School District Public School Choice Initiative: Early Impacts On Student Achievement

Susan Bush, University of Southern California; Tracey Weinstein, University of Southern California; Ayesha Hashim, University of Southern California; Katharine O. Strunk, University of Southern California; Julie A. Marsh, University of Southern California

Discussant(s):

Elizabeth Dhuey, University of Toronto, Scarborough; Dylan Conger, George Washington University

### **Criminal Justice Sanctions** (CD)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Preston

Chair:

Michael Stoll, University of California - Los Angeles

Papers:

Austerity v. Severity: The Increasing Magnitude of Monetary Sanctions In the Era of Budget Constraints

Karin Martin, Univ. California, Berkeley

Race, Political Economy, and the Social Production of Capital Homicides

Amanda Geller, Columbia University; Jeffrey Fagan, Columbia Law School

Differential Effects of Prescription Monitoring Programs On Mortality Across Subgroups

Kara Mandell, University of Wisconsin - Madison; Whitney P. Witt, University of Wisconsin - Madison

The Digital Scarlet Letter: The Effect of Online Criminal Records On Crime and Recidivism

Dara N Lee, University of Missouri

Discussant(s):

Harold Pollack, University of Chicago

### **Effects of Changes in Health Care Coverage** (HEALTH) (INT)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International B

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:

The Effect of Health Insurance On Health Outcomes: Evidence From a Field Experiment In Mexico

Pedro Bernal, University of Chicago; Jeffrey Grogger, University of Chicago

How Has the Recent Recession Affected Public and Private Dependent Sources of Health Coverage?

Jessica Vistnes, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality; Kosali Simon, Cornell University

The Affordable Care Act and the Insurance Status of Young Immigrants and Natives

Catalina Amuedo-Dorantes, SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY; Mehmet Erdem Yaya, EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

How Effective Was Expanding Dependent Coverage for Private Health Insurance Plans?

Brett O'Hara, Census Bureau

Discussant(s):

TBD

### **Emerging Policy Issues for Aging Populations**

(AG)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Poe

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Informing Younger Workers about Social Security: How Effective Is the Social Security Statement?

Barbara Smith, Social Security Administration; Kenneth Couch, University of Connecticut

When Does It Pay to Delay Social Security? Impact of Mortality, Interest Rates, and Rules

John B. Shoven, Stanford University National Bureau of Economic Research Stanford University National Bureau of Economic Research; Sita Nataraj Slavov, American Enterprise Institute

How Does the Changing Role of Women Affect Social Security?

Alicia Munnell, Boston College; Yanyuan Wu, Boston College; Nadia Karamcheva, Urban Institute; Patrick Purcell, Social Security Administration

Does Raising the Retirement Age Increase Employment of Older Workers?

Stefan Staubli, RAND Corporation

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**Explaining Contract Performance**  
(PM)

Location:  
Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon E

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
The Effectiveness of Performance-Based Contracting In Human Services: A Quasi-Experiment  
Jiahuan Lu, University of Maryland, College Park

The Social and Technical Determinants of Contract Performance: Resource Availability, Rules, Discretion, and Ethical Climate  
Randall S. Davis, Miami University; Amanda Girth, Ohio State University; Edmund Stazyk, American University

Integrating Fiscal Federalism and the Use of Contractors: A Theory of Third Party Federalism  
Jessica Terman, UN Reno; Richard Feiock, Florida State University

Contract Market Structure and Performance  
Julia L. Carboni, IUPUI School of Public and Environmental Affairs

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**Improving Financing and College Opportunities of Disadvantaged Students**  
(EDU)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International D

Chair:  
Thomas Bailey, Columbia University

Papers:  
Filling the Financial Aid Gap: The Performance-Based Scholarship Demonstration In Three States  
Lashawn Richburg-Hayes, MDRC; Reshma Patel, MDRC; Cynthia Miller, MDRC; Paulette Cha, MDRC; Melissa Binder, MDRC; Kate Krause, MDRC

Looking Beyond Enrollment: The Causal Effect of Need-Based Grants On College Access, Persistence, and Graduation  
Benjamin Castleman, Harvard University; Bridget Terry Long, Harvard University

Does the Source Program Increase Access to Financial Aid and Support Four-Year College Enrollment?  
Johannes Bos, American Institutes for Research

Percent Plans, Automatic Admissions, and College Attainment  
Isaac McFarlin, University of Michigan/Ford School of Public Policy; Paco Martorell, RAND;  
Lindsay Daugherty, Center for Education Policy Research

Discussant(s):  
Brock Thomas, RI; Judith Scott-Clayton, Teachers College, Columbia Univ.

### **Improving Governance: Representation, Learning, and Policy Abandonment (POLPROC)**

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Pratt B

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
Improving Representation In Participatory Processes: What Does It Mean to Be A “Good” Representative?  
Theresa Anasti, University of Chicago; Jennifer Mosley, University of Chicago; Colleen Grogan, University of Chicago

Failures: Diffusion, Learning, and Policy Abandonment  
Craig Volden, University of Virginia

Developing Successful Policy Abandonment Practices for a Down Economy  
Eric Stokan, The George Washington University

Discussant(s):  
TBD

### **Infant Health (HEALTH) (INT)**

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International C

Chair:

Thomas DeLeire, University of Wisconsin - Madison

Papers:

Capacity and Utilization In Health Care: The Effect of Empty Beds On NICU Admission  
Seth Freedman, Indiana University

Hour of Birth and Health Effects in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit  
Sarah Martin-Anderson, University of California, Berkeley

The MMR-Autism Controversy: Did Autism Concerns Affect Vaccine Take up?  
Lenisa V. Chang, University of Cincinnati

The Effect of a Vaccination Program On Child Growth: Evidence From India's Universal Immunization Program  
Tobenna D Anekwe, US Dept. of Agriculture; Santosh Kumar, Univ. of Washington

Discussant(s):

Laura Wherry, University of Chicago; Stacey McMorro, Urban Institute

**Intended and Unintended Long-Term Consequences of School Accountability**  
(EDU)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon D

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Accountability and School Choice: The Equity Implications of Competing Priorities  
Carolyn Sattin-Bajaj, Seton Hall University

The Sustained Effect of Accountability On Public School Productivity  
Marcus Winters, University of Colorado at Colorado Springs; Joshua Cowen, University of Kentucky

Accountability Games: Organizational Cheating In State Elementary and Secondary Education Policy  
Paul Manna, College of William and Mary; Susan L. Moffitt, Brown University; Claire Delcourt, College of William and Mary

Left (Less Far) Behind? Achievement Gaps In the NCLB Era  
Sean Reardon, Stanford University; Erica Greenberg, Stanford University; Demetra Kalogrides, Stanford University; Kenneth A. Shores, Stanford University; Rachel A. Valentino, Stanford University

Discussant(s):

Jason Grissom, Vanderbilt University; Carrie Conaway, MA Dept of Elementary and Secondary Ed

**Measuring Returns On Investments In Human Capital: A Panel Discussion On Recent Research**

(METH) (EMP)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, McKeldon

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

ROI Estimation for Workforce Development Programs

Kevin Hollenbeck, W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research

Developing ROI Estimates for the Public-Sector Vocational Rehabilitation Program

David Dean, University of Richmond

Exploratory Return On Investment Analysis of Local Workforce Investments

Tara Smith, University of Texas at Austin

Increasing College Attainment In the United States: Variation In Returns to States and Their Residents

Patrick Kelly, National Center for Higher Education Management Systems

Discussant(s):

TBD

**New Evidence On Sexual Orientation and Public Policy**

(SE)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Adams

Chair:

Gary Gates, UCLA

Papers:

Effects of Legalized Same-Sex Marriage On Family Formation: Evidence From Massachusetts

Christopher Carpenter, UC Irvine

Diffusion of Antidiscrimination Policies for Sexual Orientation

Marieka Klawitter, University of Washington; Danielle Fumia, University of Washington-Seattle



Assessing the Extent and Effect of Nondiscrimination Policies Related to Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity

Lee Badgett, University of Massachusetts at Amherst

Understanding LGBT Student Outcomes In Public Universities

David Pitts, American University

Discussant(s):

TBD

**Nonprofit and Public Employment Amidst Ongoing Economic Scarcity and Political Pressures for Efficiency**

(PM) (EMP)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Baltimore Theatre

Chair:

Kristin Seefeldt, Indiana University

Papers:

Holding the Fort: Nonprofit Employment During a Decade of Turmoil

Stephanie Lessans Geller, Johns Hopkins University, Institute for Policy Studies, Center for Civil Society Studies; Lester Salamon, Johns Hopkins University, Institute for Policy Studies, Center for Civil Society Studies; Wojciech Sokolowski, Johns Hopkins University, Institute for Policy Studies, Center for Civil Society Studies

Public Employment Stress: Worker and Organizational Factors and Strategies for Change In Child Welfare

Karen Hopkins, University of Maryland School of Social Work; Amy Cohen-Callow, University of Maryland School of Social Work

Which Port In the Storm? Public, Nonprofit and for-Profit Sector Employment Opportunity for Lower-Educated Workers

Anna Haley-Lock, University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Social Work; Danielle Berman, University of Wisconsin-Madison Department of Sociology

Linking Disadvantaged Workers to Employment: An Sroi Case Study of a Nonprofit Labor Market Intermediary

Kate Cooney, Yale University; Kristen Lynch-Cerullo, INdependent Consultant

Discussant(s):

Burt Barnow, Trachtenberg School of Public Policy and Public Administration, George Washington University; Jodi Jacobson, University of Maryland School of Social Work

**Tax Policy, Fiscal Scarcity, and Nonprofits**  
(PF) (PM)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Jefferson

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Principles and Rationales Behind the Charitable Deduction and Proposed Reforms

Roger Colinvaux, Catholic University Columbus School of Law; Brian Galle, Boston College Law School; C. Eugene Steuerle, The Urban Institute

Evaluating Options for Reforming the Charitable Income Tax Deduction

Joseph Rosenberg, The Urban Institute; Joseph Cordes, George Washington University

The Nonprofit Property-Tax Exemption and Pilots

Joseph Cordes, George Washington University; Evelyn Brody, Chicago-Kent College of Law

Discussant(s):

William Randolph, Congressional Budget Office Congressional Budget Office

**Teenage Pregnancy and Public Policy**  
(CC)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Mencken

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Unintended Pregnancy and Public Policy

Adam T Thomas, Georgetown Public Policy Institute, Georgetown University / Visiting Assistant Professor

Peer Effects On Teenage Fertility: Social Transmission Mechanisms and Policy Recommendations

Jason Fletcher, Yale University; Olga Yakusheva, Marquette University

The Effect of State Contraceptive Parity Laws On Teen Birth Control Use

Danielle Atkins, The University of Georgia; David Bradford, The University of Georgia; Vicky Wilkins, The University of Georgia

Do Pregnant Teens Respond to Improved Educational Opportunities?

Melanie Guldi, University of Central Florida

Discussant(s):

TBD

**The Effectiveness of Various Forms of Regulations to Protect Human Health and the Environment**

(ENV) (DATA)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Schaefer

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Mandatory Pollution Disclosure Programs and Workers' Exposure Toxic Chemicals  
Shanti Gamper-Rabindran, Assistant Professor University of Pittsburgh; Stephen Finger,  
Assistant Professor, Moore School of Business, University of South Carolina

Multimedia Pollution Regulation and Environmental Performance: Epa's Cluster Rule  
Wayne B. Gray, Dept of Economics, Clark University; Ron Shadbegian, U.S. Environmental  
Protection Agency

Impact of Inspector Intensity On Enforcement and Deterrence: Evidence From the Gulf of  
Mexico

Lucija Muehlenbachs, Resources for the Future; Mark A. Cohen, Professor of Management and  
Professor of Law, Vanderbilt University

What Affects the Environmental Performance of Pipelines In the US? An Empirical Analysis  
Sarah Stafford, College of William and Mary

Discussant(s):

TBD

**The Impacts of Foreclosures On Families and Communities**

(HCD)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon B

Chair:

Christopher Herbert, Harvard University

Papers:

Broken Homes, Broken Dreams: Families In (and out of) Foreclosure

David Rothstein, Policy Matters Ohio; Cyleste Collins, Case Western Reserve University

The Effect of Foreclosure On Boston Public School Student Academic Performance  
Katharine Bradbury, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston; Mary A. Burke, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston; Robert K. Triest, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston

Deconstructing Distressed-Property Spillovers: The Effects of Vacant, Tax-Delinquent, and Foreclosed Properties In Housing Submarkets  
Stephan Whitaker, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland; Thomas J. Fitzpatrick IV, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland

Structure Type and Foreclosure Externalities  
Lynn Fisher, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; Lauren Lambie-Hanson, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Paul Willen, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston

Discussant(s):  
Jenny Schuetz, University of Southern California; Jonathan Spader, Abt Associates Inc

**The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program: New Evidence On Economic Shocks and SNAP Participation**  
(SF) (DATA)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International E

Chair:  
Gregory Acs, Congressional Budget Office

Papers:  
Seamless Transitions? Comparing Reported SNAP Transitions In SIPP with Administrative Records  
Constance Newman, USDA Economic Research Service; Erik Scherpf, USDA Economic Research Service 20024; Graton Gathright, US Census Bureau

SNAP: Work Support or Welfare Magnet?  
Jonathan Schwabish, Congressional Budget Office

Local Economic Conditions and SNAP Caseloads  
Katie Fitzpatrick, Seattle University; Erik Scherpf, USDA Economic Research Service 20024; Laura Tiehen, Economic Research Service, USDA

Getting It Right: Misreporting of Food Stamp Receipt In the Nhanes  
Michael Wiseman, USDA Economic Research Service 20024; John Kirlin, USDA Economic Research Service 20024

Discussant(s):

Molly Dahl, Congressional Budget Office

**Tools and Principles for More Effective Workforce Programs  
(EMP)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Calhoun

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Do Program Performance Measures Track Program Impacts? A Case Study for Job Corps  
Peter Schochet, Mathematica Policy Research; Jane Fortson, Mathematica Policy Research

Learning From Business – a Critical Analysis of Performance-Based Management In Public  
Administration

Marian Negoita, Social Policy Research Associates

Discussant(s):

TBD

**Using Multiple Data Sources for Assessing Poverty, Inequality and Policy  
(DATA)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Chesapeake

Chair:

Lindsay Monte, US Census Bureau

Papers:

What Difference Does A Measure Make?: A Three-Fold Comparison with Policy Implications  
Diana Pearce, School of Social Work, University of Washington

The Demography of Inequality of Individuals and Families: Income and Consumption

David Johnson, U.S. Census Bureau; Jonathan Fisher, US Census Bureau; Timothy Smeeding,  
Institute for Research on Poverty

Life On the Edge: Living near Poverty In the United States, 1962-2010

Misty Heggeness, US Census Bureau; Charles Hokayem, US Census Bureau

Discussant(s):

Richard Burkhauser, Cornell University; Arloc Sherman, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities

Roundtable

**Central Texas Student Futures Project: Lessons From a Practitioner-Researcher Partnership**  
(EDU) (EMP)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Hanover B

Moderator:

Deanna Schexnayder, LBJ School/ Univ of Texas

Speakers:

Christopher King, The University of Texas at Austin; Drew Scheberle, Greater Austin Chamber of Commerce; Kristin Boyer, TG; Camille Clay, Leander Independent School District

Description:

High schools, in their broadest sense, prepare students for life after high school, including college and employment. With education budget cuts across the country, an increasing number of local districts lack the resources to follow students and assess how well schools prepared their graduates for this transition. How can schools and districts effectively allocate ever scarcer resources to deal with issues that are readily defined as part of their mission, but are not legislatively required by the state? One potentially replicable example of developing a broader community focused on this issue is the Central Texas Student Futures Project (CTSFP), a seven year old regional collaborative of local area school districts, local business leaders, state agencies, funders and non-profits providing college access services and working together to improve college enrollment and workforce outcomes for high school graduates in the region. Balancing funding across organizations means that the CTSFP maximizes the ability of participants to share and act upon information learned from the project without reducing funding for other critical district efforts. The CTSFP annually surveys the graduating classes from approximately 30 high schools in 10 Central Texas school districts in the last semester of their senior year and links that information both to the student administrative data collected by each school district and to future college enrollment and employment information. The survey asks qualitative questions about a student's family educational background, perceptions of college readiness in different subject areas, study/work habits, and the completion of key college preparation activities (submission of FAFSA, the Texas common application, etc). The CTSFP provides performance management information, fostering educational improvement by providing real-time data to educators and helping to identify and share best practices through various dissemination activities. Pooling resources and utilizing regional synergies is not enough to change outcomes over the long run. Additionally, the CTSFP provides regional stakeholders longitudinal research on what Central Texas graduates do after high school and how educational, personal and financial factors relate to graduates' success in postsecondary education and the workforce. While there is growing acknowledgement of the need for 'researcher-practitioner partnerships' (as evidenced by a new IES grant category by the same name), there are not insignificant barriers to developing and growing such a community. There are multiple practical and policy difficulties that researchers and local education agencies are likely to encounter in such endeavors. Representatives from the Ray Marshall Center (LBJ School of Public Affairs,

University of Texas at Austin), Leander and Hays Consolidated ISDs, the Greater Austin Chamber of Commerce and TG will overview the project and its findings. Specifically, participants will learn about the overall program design, how school districts have applied lessons learned from the data to enhance student access to higher education, and how private funders have supported the project. This project's approach—its collaborative nature, its effective use of scarce resources, its access to data, and its research and performance management aspects—together suggest a model for possible replication in other regions of the country.

Roundtable

## **Inequality and Intergenerational Mobility In the United States** (SF) (SE)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Pratt A

Moderator:

Lane Kenworthy, University of Arizona

Speakers:

Scott Winship, Brookings Institution; Bhash Mazumder, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago; Timothy Smeeding, Institute for Research on Poverty

Description:

The premise of the roundtable is that of all of the potential consequences of rising economic inequality, many believe that none is more worrisome than the prospect that rising inequality will have the long-run effect of reducing intergenerational mobility (IGM) and with it equality of opportunity. The reasoning underlying this worry is as follows. Families clearly have a strong interest in investing in the future social and economic well-being of their children. Although some of these investments may not require financial resources, many others obviously do – among them, paying for quality childcare and early childhood education, buying books and computers, living in higher-priced neighborhoods with access to good public schools, assisting with college costs, and providing support for young adults to help them get started in their independent economic lives once their education is completed. And as financial resources have become more unequal over the last three decades, the difference in the capacities of rich, middle class and poor families to invest in their children also have become more unequal, in a period where relatively more educational investment seems to be needed to meet ongoing labor market changes . If so, and unless inequities are offset by public policies designed to moderate their effects, the children of the rich will have a much better chance of staying rich in the future, equality of opportunity will be reduced , and the children of the poor will have less of chance of escaping poverty or low socio-economic status (SES). But while inequality is rising, not everyone believes that this will create less IGM. Indeed, the evidence on this question is varied and can lead to different conclusions. Each of the three panelists has been working on the answer to these questions and they do not agree on either the conclusion or the policy implications. Scott Winship, the former research director of the Pew Economic Mobility Project (EMP) now at

Brookings does not believe that inequality has diminished opportunities. Bhash Mazumder and Tim Smeeding, members of the EMP advisory board believe otherwise. Each has written on the topic and all three have current and forthcoming work that sheds light on the answer to the question. In this age of scarce resources for public investments in human capital especially for children from disadvantaged backgrounds, the answer to the question is intergenerational mobility declining is crucial for informing education policy priorities and scale of public vs. private investments in human capital and child development. Lane Kenworthy who is also writing on the effects of inequality on social outcomes has agreed to moderate the panel .Each presenter will begin with a short summary of their position and the moderator will encourage reaction and discussion amongst the panel and from the audience.

Roundtable

**Low-Cost Randomized Controlled Trials (RCTs): Putting the Pricetag On Rigorous Policy Research**  
(CC) (METH)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Hanover A

Moderator:

Robert Granger, William T. Grant Foundation

Speakers:

Paul Decker, Mathematica Policy Research; Ricky Takai, Abt Associates; Jon Baron, Coalition for Evidence-Based Policy; Roland Fryer, Harvard University

Description:

Policymakers are increasingly squeezed from two sides. On one side, the standards of evidence for establishing the effectiveness of policies and programs is very high, with randomized experiments being the gold standard for high stakes decisions. On the other side, budget pressures at every agency and level of government are forcing policymakers to scale back programs and capacity in every area, including data collection and analysis. As a result, advocates for rigorous policy research have sought ways to generate more evidence for lower cost, to avoid going back to the dark ages of evidence-free decision-making. A recent report by the Coalition for Evidence-Based Policy offers hope to policymakers by highlighting RCTs that have generated highly credible findings on seemingly small budgets. The paper argues that increasing availability of administrative data, routinely collected for non-research purposes, can cut down on the major cost-driver of program evaluations: data collection. Another perspective, however, is that highlighting rigorous evaluations with small price tags could be misleading. The price to an agency is not the same as the cost, borne by various parties, of conducting the research. The use of program administrative data for research purposes may be a greater challenge than meets the eye. And studies that forgo more skilled or experienced staff, peer review, and quality control or that skimp on monitoring compliance and designing and testing data collection instruments may have to compromise on quality, scope, or rigor. The proposed roundtable will feature a discussion and debate of this topic among researchers who are



experienced at program evaluation, both small-scale and nimble efforts and large-scale comprehensive studies, as well as the perspective of evaluation funders and consumers. Participants will use the paper by the Coalition for Evidence-Based Policy as a launching point and have the opportunity to introduce new information on where the money goes when funders of social programs invest in evaluating the impacts of their interventions. This topic is central to the theme of informing strategies for managing budget cuts. We will discuss lessons learned from low-cost evaluations (documented the CEBP paper) and from larger scale efforts and the costs and benefits of investing in evaluation research in times of tight public resources. We suspect this roundtable will appeal to a very broad cross-section of APPAM members. The panelists represent the best of the key perspectives (producers and consumers of evaluation research) and will foster a deeply engaging discussion.

#### Roundtable

### **SSI At 40: How Well Does It Support Disabled Children and Adults Caring for Them? (DIS) (SF)**

#### Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Washington

#### Moderator:

Rebecca Vallas, Community Legal Services of Philadelphia

#### Speakers:

Dennis Hogan, Brown University; Pamela Loprest, The Urban Institute; Susan Parish, Brandeis University; David Wittenburg, Mathematica Policy Research

#### Description:

This year is the 40th anniversary of Supplemental Security Income (SSI), which was signed into law by President Nixon in 1972. SSI's anniversary provides an opportunity to review the past and present of SSI and consider its future. This roundtable will focus on the role SSI plays in helping children with disabilities and the parents who care for them, a topic that is currently receiving considerable attention. Over the next several months, GAO will release a report examining children's SSI, Russell Sage will publish a new book on the family impact of child disabilities, and the next issue of the Future of Children will focus on children with disabilities. SSI replaced a patchwork of state programs for the aged, blind and disabled. Children have been eligible for SSI since the program's beginning. Research published in APPAM's journal in 2007 found that SSI reduces child poverty among children with disabilities without operating as a work disincentive for parents. However, elements of the program have been controversial at times, including in the mid-1990s and again in recent years. In recent years, some critics have argued that SSI, particularly for children, has become the "new welfare." Both the 2011 and 2012 House Budget Resolutions have included proposals to cut child SSI benefits, and the House Republican Study Committee has called for block granting it to the states. Questions considered during the roundtable will include: 1) Is the share of children with disabilities increasing? What factors explain increases in the number of children receiving SSI over the last decade? Are too few or too many children receiving SSI? 2) Have the changes to AFDC-TANF, such as TANF's

block grant financing structure, participation rates, and time rates, resulted in more children receiving SSI? 3) What is the extent of economic insecurity, including poverty, food insecurity, and other material hardships, among families with disabled children? What do we know about the well-being of disabled children in low- and moderate income families? 4) How do children's disabilities and impairments affect parental well-being, including their health, employment, and earnings? 5) How could SSI, the Earned Income Tax Credit and related programs be improved to increase the economic security of families with disabled children? 6) What do we know about youth who receive SSI (or received it as children)? What do we know from the ongoing evaluation of the Youth Transition Demonstration (YTD) How could SSI, the EITC and related programs be improved to increase the economic security and well-being of youth with disabilities?

Sessions // 1:15 - 2:45

### **401(k) Plans and Retirement Security (AG)**

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Poe

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
Can Simple Informational Nudges Increase Employee Participation in a 401(k) Plan?  
Robert Clark, North Carolina State University NBER; Jennifer A Maki, North Carolina State University; Melinda Sandler Morrill, North Carolina State University

401(k) Participant Behavior In a Volatile Economy  
Barbara Butrica, The Urban Institute; Karen Smith, The Urban Institute

Deductions or Credits? An Experimental Analysis of Tax Incentives for Annuitization At Older Ages  
Jeffrey Diebold, UNC-Chapel Hill; John Scott, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Automatic Enrollment, Employee Compensation, and Retirement Security  
Nadia Karamcheva, Urban Institute

Discussant(s):  
TBD

### **A Leaner, Meaner Government? Efficiency and Streamlining in an Era of Austerity (POLPROC)**

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Calhoun

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
Investigating Supreme Court Impact On Federal Agency Efficiency In Procurement and Contracting  
Yuan Gao, University of Missouri-Columbia

Measuring the Effectiveness of Government Streamlining Commissions  
Carmine Scavo, East Carolina University; Emily Washington, The Mercatus Center at George Mason University

Optimizing Public Spending In An Age of Scarcity: Tax credit Policy and Economic Development  
Maria Figueroa-Armijos, University of Missouri-Columbia; Thomas G. Johnson, University of Missouri-Columbia

Achieving National Security Effectiveness and Efficiency Through Defense Acquisition Reform, In An Age of Austerity  
Jacques Gansler, University of Maryland, School of Public Policy

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**Building Policy Solutions to Address Wealth Gaps  
(SE) (ASSET)**

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Pratt B

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
Shortchanged: Understanding the Women's Wealth Gap  
Mariko Chang, Independent Consultant

The Aftermath of the Great Recession: Revealing the Assets and Debts In Communities of Color  
Darrick Hamilton, Milano The New School for Public Engagement; William Darity, Duke University

Private Transfers, Race, and Wealth  
Signe-Mary McKernan, The Urban Institute; Caroline Ratcliffe, The Urban Institute; Margaret Simms, The Urban Institute; Sisi Zhang, The Urban Institute

Home, Neighborhood, and the Racial Wealth Gap

Thomas Shapiro, The Heller School for Social Policy and Management, Brandeis University;  
Hannah Thomas, Institute on Assets and Social Policy; Tatjana Meschede, The Heller School for  
Social Policy and Management, Brandeis University

Discussant(s):

Anne Price, Insight Center for Community Economic Development

**Can Students Be Trusted? Considerations for the Use of Student Surveys In Teacher  
Evaluation**

(CC) (PM)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon B

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Do Students Fairly Assess Teacher Effectiveness When It Matters?

Richard Bowman, Albuquerque Public Schools; Sade Bonilla, Stanford University

Asking Our Customers: Instrument Validation and the Incorporation of Student Survey Feedback  
Into Teacher Practice

Ryan Balch, Vanderbilt University

Are Students' Teacher Ratings Predictable?

Sade Bonilla, Stanford University; Richard Bowman, Albuquerque Public Schools

Discussant(s):

Courtney Bell, Educational Testing Service; John Tyler, Brown University

**Causal Evidence on the Returns to Education in the Developing World**

(EDU) (INT)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Hanover B

Chair:

Patrick McEwan, Wellesley College

Papers:

The Economic Returns to Schooling In Tanzania: Implications for Recent Changes In the Labor  
Market

Frederick Wanjera, Indiana University

The Long-Run Socio-Economic Effects of a Military Coup Mandating Expanded Access to Higher Education

Maureen Pirog, Indiana University University of Washington; Haeil Jung, Indiana University; Sang Kyoo Lee, SPEA, Indiana University

The Causal Impact of Mothers' Education On Children's Education Outcomes: Evidence From Mexico

Alonso Sánchez, Harvard University

Reading to Learn? Experimental Evidence From Kenya and Uganda

Adrienne M. Lucas, University of Delaware; Patrick McEwan, Wellesley College; Moses Ngware, African Population and Health Research Center; Moses Oketch, University of London

Discussant(s):

Emiliana Vegas, Inter-American Development Bank; Diana Hincapie, George Washington University

### **Disability and Economic Well Being**

(DIS) (SF)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Washington

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Disability, Earnings, Income and Consumption

Bruce Meyer, University of Chicago; Wallace Mok, Chinese University of Hong Kong

Disability and Poverty: A Multidimensional Assessment

Debra Brucker, University of New Hampshire, Institute on Disability; Sophie Mitra, Fordham University

How Do the Disabled Cope While Waiting for SSDI Benefits?

Norma Coe, Boston College; Yanyuan Wu, Center for Retirement Research at Boston College

Trends In Longitudinal Statistics for Young Social Security Disability Awardees

Yonatan Ben-Shalom, Mathematica Policy Research; David Stapleton, Mathematica Policy Research

Discussant(s):

TBD

### **Estimating Crime Effects From Natural Experiments**

(CD)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Preston

Chair:  
Philip Cook, Duke University

Papers:  
Are Prisons Schools of Crime? Estimating a Dose-Response Effect of Prison Peers On Reoffending  
Heather M. Harris, University of Maryland; Kiminori Nakamura, University of Maryland; Kristofer Bret Bucklen, University of Maryland

Your Friends and Neighbors: Localized Economic Development, Inequality, and Criminal Activity  
Emily Owens, Cornell University; Matthew Freedman, Cornell University

Estimating the Effects of Imprisonment Using Attempted but Unsuccessful Murders  
Charles Loeffler, University of Chicago

The White/Black Educational Gap, Stalled Progress, and the Long-Term Consequences of the Crack Epidemic  
William N. Evans, University of Notre Dame; Craig Garthwaite, Northwestern University; Timothy Moore, George Washington University

Discussant(s):  
Shawn Bushway, Rockefeller College, SUNY-Albany

**Evaluating What Works for Different Income Groups  
(EMP) (INT)**

Location:  
Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon A

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
Lessons From the Work Advancement Support Center Demonstration  
Mark van Dok, MDRC; Cynthia Miller, MDRC; Betsy Tessler, MDRC; Alexandra Pennington, MDRC

The Effect of Active Labor Market Policies Targeted At Youth: Evidence From Catalonia  
David Casado, Institut Català d'Avaluació de Polítiques Públiques; Federico Atilio Todeschini, Institut Català d'Avaluació de Polítiques Públiques; Jaume Blasco, Institut Català d'Avaluació de Polítiques Públiques; Jordi Sanz, Institut Català d'Avaluació de Polítiques Públiques

Do Alternative Base Periods Increase Unemployment Insurance Receipt Among Low-Educated Workers?

Alix Gould-Werth, University of Michigan; H. Luke Shaefer, University of Michigan

Innovative Job Training In Technology: An Evaluation of the Chicago Career Tech Workforce Development Program

Elizabeth Weigensberg, Chapin Hall at the University of Chicago; Colleen Schlecht, Chapin Hall at the University of Chicago

Discussant(s):

TBD

### **Financial Aid & College Pricing**

(EDU)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Carroll

Chair:

Michael Drew Hurwitz, College Board- Advocacy and Policy Center

Papers:

Financial Aid Effectiveness During Economic Scarcity

Rachael Walsh, US Census Bureau

Income Volatility and Financial Aid Eligibility: The Implications of Early Notification

Robert Kelchen, University of Wisconsin - Madison; Sara Goldrick-Rab, University of

Wisconsin-Madison; Gigi Jones, National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators

The Effect of Differential Tuition On College Major Choice

Kevin Stange, University of Michigan

Discussant(s):

Lesley Turner, University of Maryland

### **Health, Health Insurance, and Labor Supply**

(HEALTH) (EMP)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International A

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

ACA Income Eligibility for Medicaid and the Exchange Subsidy: Comparing CPS and Administrative Tax Data

Ithai Lurie, US Department of the Treasury- Office of Tax analysis; James Pearce, U.S. Department of the Treasury - Office of Tax Analysis

Does Health Reform Lead to Increased Job Mobility?

Bradley Heim, Indiana University SPEA; Ithai Lurie, US Department of the Treasury- Office of Tax analysis

Dependent Health Insurance Mandates and the Job Choices of Young Adults

Jeffrey M Hulbert, University of Virginia

Discussant(s):

Bradley Hardy, American University

**Identifying Protective Mechanisms That Shield Children From Food Insecurity (SF) (CHILD)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Pratt A

Chair:

Elaine Waxman, Feeding America

Papers:

Food Insecurity Across the First Five Years: Triggers of Onset and Exit

Alison Jackowitz, American University; Taryn Morrissey, American University; Andrew Brannegan, American University

Families with Hungry Children and the Transition From Preschool to Kindergarten

Irma Arteaga, University of Missouri; Colleen Heflin, University of Missouri; Sara Gable, University of Missouri

Parents Shield Children From Food Insecurity to Some Extent

Mark Nord, Economic Research Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture

Food Security Dynamics: Understanding the Role of the Family, Community, and Federal Policy

Tracy Vericker, Urban Institute; Gregory Mills, The Urban Institute

Discussant(s):

Alisha Coleman-Jensen, Economic Research Service, US Department of Agriculture; Laura Tiehen, Economic Research Service, USDA

**Innovation In Government: Federal and Local Innovation Funds**

(PM) (PF)



Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International D

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
How the Federal Government Is Increasing Effectiveness Through Innovation Funds  
Jonathan Greenblatt, White House, Office of Social Innovation and Civic Participation

The Social Innovation Fund and Building Evidence  
Paul Carttar, Corporation for National and Community Service

Innovation In City Government/the NYC Center for Economic Opportunity  
Kristin Morse, NYC Center for Economic Opportunity

Discussant(s):  
Julie Wilson, Harvard University

**Multiple Perspectives On Catch Share Management: Assessing Fisheries Itqs Across Time and Space**  
(ENV)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Chesapeake

Chair:  
Mark Imperial, University of North Carolina Wilmington

Papers:  
Learning to Share the Fish: A Comparative Case Study of Market-Based U.S. Fisheries Management  
Keeley Kent, School of Marine and Environmental Affairs, University of Washington

Do Property Rights Influence Resource Users' Participation In Collaborative Management?  
Evidence From New Zealand  
Tracy Yandle, Emory University; Nives Dolsak, University of Washington

New England Is Not New Zealand: Institutional and Regulatory Differences Between Two Market-Based Regimes  
Timothy Hennessey, University of Rhode Island; Tracy Yandle, Emory University

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**Public Policy Implications of Consumer and Other Debt On Individual Health and Well-**

**Being**

(SF) (ASSET)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International E

Chair:

Jason Houle, UW-Madison

Papers:

Household Debt and Adult Depression

Laura Cuesta, UW Madison

Health Limitations, Disability, and Trajectories of Consumer Debt Across the Life Course

Jason Houle, University of Wisconsin - Madison

Debt Profiles, Health and Health Behaviors In the Wake of the Great Recession

Sarah Burgard, Univ of Michigan; Lucie Kalousova, University of Michigan; Kristin Seefeldt, Indiana University

Discussant(s):

Fenaba Addo, Cornell

**Red Tape In Voting and In Public Programs**

(PM) (PF)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon E

Chair:

Tbd Tbd, tbd

Papers:

When Does Red Tape Hurt Performance? Evidence From Different Policy Arenas

Richard M. Walker, City University of Hong Kong

The Voter ID Mess: What Do the Data Say about Illegal Voting and Vote Suppression?

Jeff Milyo, University of Missouri

Downloading Benefits: The Impact of Online Food Stamp Applications On Participation

Jonathan Schwabish, Congressional Budget Office

Administrative Barriers and Simplification In Medicaid

Donald Moynihan, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Discussant(s):

Tbd Tbd, tbd

**Reproductive Policy: From Roe to Plan B  
(HEALTH)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International B

Chair:

Jessica Vistnes, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

Papers:

“Power of the Pill or Power of Abortion?”

Caitlin Knowles Myers, Middlebury College

Back to the Future? Abortion Before & After Roe

Ted Joyce, Baruch College (City University of New York); Ruoding Tan, Graduate Center, CUNY; Yuxiu Zhang, Yale School of Public Health

Children of the Pill: The Effect of Subsidizing Oral Contraceptives On Children's Health and Wellbeing

Emilia Simeonova, Princeton University; Andreas Madestam, Stockholm University

Association Between Increased Emergency Contraception Availability and Risky Sexual Practices

Danielle Atkins, University of Georgia; David Bradford, The University of Georgia

Discussant(s):

Kerri Raissian, Maxwell School Syracuse University; Lenisa V. Chang, University of Cincinnati

**Society for Benefit-Cost Analysis: Use of Benefit-Cost Analysis by State and Local Governments  
(OT)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, D'Alesandro

Chair:

David Weimer, University of Wisconsin - Madison

Papers:

Benefit-Cost Analysis in the States: Findings from the Results First Project

Sara Lepore Dube, The Pew Charitable Trusts; Darcy White, Pew Charitable Trusts; Gary VanLandingham, The Pew Center on the States

Benefit-Cost Analysis for Justice Policymaking: A Capital Idea?

Tina Chiu, Vera Institute of Justice

The Effect of Within-Crime Heterogeneity in Victim Harms on Meta Cost-Benefit Analysis  
John Roman, Urban Institute; Akiva Liberman, The Urban Institute; Sam Taxy, Urban Institute;  
P. Mitchell Downey, Urban Institute

Discussant(s):

John Hird, University of Massachusetts Amherst

**Strategies to Promote Education: Evidence From Developing Countries**  
(CHILD)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Hanover A

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Effects of Prenatal and Early Postnatal Exposure to a CCT Program On Long-Term Education Outcomes

Alonso Sánchez, Harvard University

The Cognitive Link Between In Utero Nutrition and Schooling: Experimental Evidence From Tanzania

Plamen Nikolov, Harvard University

Does Improved Water Access Increase Child School Attendance? A Quasi-Experimental Approach From Rural Ethiopia

Yuta Masuda, University of Washington; Joseph Cook, University of Washington

Cash and Conditionalities' Effects On Early Childhood: Medium-Term Effects On Physical and Cognitive Development

Arturo A. Aguilar Esteva, Harvard University ITAM

Discussant(s):

TBD

**The Pluses and Minuses of Teacher Evaluation Systems**  
(EDU)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon D

Chair:

James Wyckoff, University of Virginia

Papers:

The Politics of Policymaking: Tennessee's Endeavors to Develop An Educator Evaluation System

Maida Finch, Salisbury University

The Effects of Teacher Performance Pay On Equity and Achievement Gaps

Jane Lincove, University of Texas, Austin

Denver Procomp: Teachers' and Principals' Attitudes and Behaviors

Eleanor Fulbeck, University of Pennsylvania; Amy Farley, University of Colorado, Boulder

An Examination of the Validity and Fairness of North Carolina's Teacher Evaluation System

Shanyce Campbell, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; Gary Henry, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Discussant(s):

Steve Glazerman, Mathematica Policy Research; Tim Sass, Georgia State University

**Using Multiple Data Systems for Policy Analysis and Practice  
(DATA)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Mencken

Chair:

Marcia Carlson, University of Wisconsin - Madison

Papers:

Calculating Juvenile Dependency Judicial Workload: Accounting for Practice Complexity and Hearing Quality

Stephanie Macgill, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges; Jesse Russell, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges; Steve Wood, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges; Alicia Summers, National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges

Using Integrated Data to Diagnose Disconnections In Policy and Program Design

Maria Cancian, University of Wisconsin - Madison Institute for Research on Poverty; Jennifer Noyes, Institute for Research on Poverty University of Wisconsin - Madison

Assessing Program Effectiveness Using Federal Performance Measurement Systems: Lessons Learned From Education, Labor, and Welfare

Jonathan Ladinsky, Mathematica Policy Research

Discussant(s):

John L. Czajka, Mathematica Policy Research; Neha Nanda, Impaq International

Roundtable

**Advancing Policy Informatics within APPAM  
(POLINF) (METH)**

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Schaefer

Moderator:  
Sandra Archibald, University of Washington

Speakers:  
Louise Comfort, University of Pittsburgh; David Andersen, University at Albany; Yushim Kim, Arizona State University

Description:  
Artificial worlds built as simulation models whose dynamics can be observed, tested, and retested, serve as flexible research and decision support platforms. System dynamics modeling (SD) and agent-based modeling (ABM) are two important computational approaches for investigating policy and managerial problems. Both approaches share the benefit of enabling the investigation of the mechanisms and dynamics of social and economic systems. However, little effort has been made to carefully enumerate the unique contributions of each technique in order to provide guidance to those considering complementing research based on more traditional analytic methods with computational approaches. SD models use large systems of difference equations to examine the trajectories of variables over time. They consist of 'stocks' that represent the state variables of the system, 'flows' that describe how stocks change over time, and 'feedback loops' that capture endogenous relationships between the state variables. SD variables and the relationships between them are defined at the aggregate or population level and are largely deterministic. SD models are built from a high-level observer's perspective to understand systems' behavior. ABM is largely built upon the success of object-oriented programming. ABM is known as a bottom-up approach to model social processes and systemic patterns. It consists of 'agents' who can make autonomous and adaptive decisions using local information and 'rules' that elicit social mechanisms in various contexts. ABM can accommodate heterogeneous agents and asymmetries in social systems, and can be easily scaled to explore systems' behavior with varying numbers of agents. ABM heavily relies on lower-level actors' perspective to understand systems' behavior. Since building a model is a way of understanding the world, researchers using the two simulation approaches for the same issue may define research problems differently, follow different modeling procedures and ultimately get somewhat different policy and managerial insights. The roundtable will examine these two simulation approaches in more depth; analyze their relative advantages and disadvantages, and how we can best utilize these valuable resources for policy research and decision support.

Roundtable

**Budgeting During Recessions: The Role for Innovation and Public Engagement**

(PF) (PM)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Jefferson

Moderator:

Donald J. Boyd, University of Albany- SUNY

Speakers:

Stuart Kasdin, George Washington University; Ezra Glenn, Massachusetts Institute of Technology / Department of Urban Studies & Planning; Jason Juffras, The George Washington University; Philip Joyce, Maryland School of Public Policy

Description:

Throughout the recent recession, governments at the local, state, and federal level have dealt with declining revenue and increased demands for resources. Recent estimates suggest that this pattern will continue for the foreseeable future. This roundtable will bring together scholars to discuss how budgeting is done in tough economic times, as well as what changes could be made that would be beneficial to the budget process. Participants will discuss the role that experts can and do play in the budgeting process, methods for citizens to be involved in the budgeting process, whether ineffective programs tend to be targeted for cuts, and what impact a dysfunctional federal budget process has on outcomes.

Roundtable

### **Implementing Social Impact Bonds: A New Approach to Funding Effective Social Services (CC)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Adams

Moderator:

Lewis (Harry) Spence, (Participation to be confirmed) Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Speakers:

Mark D. Hinderlie, Hearsh, Inc.; Stewart Sarkozy-Banoczy, Office for International and Philanthropic Innovation, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; Kippy Joseph, The Rockefeller Foundation

Description:

Governments at all levels are under increasing pressure to improve social outcomes despite shrinking budgets. A number of states, as well as the federal government, are exploring Social Impact Bonds as a way to meet this challenge. Through intermediaries such as Social Finance, Inc., Social Impact Bonds can provide up-front social sector investment in service delivery and ongoing performance management while transferring financial and operational risk to investors. Returns to investors flow from future government savings or avoided public expenditures. By

tapping new sources of funding, the mechanism enables increased investment in preventive services with long-term public sector savings, even as governments struggle to meet urgent demands with scarce resources. Proponents of this approach emphasize its potential to mobilize social sector investment in evidence-based practices; to incentivize a shift in orientation from inputs to outcomes; and to increase the government's capacity to innovate by shifting risk from the public sector to the private sector. APPAM can play a critical role in informing public managers navigating this emerging field. Widespread adoption of outcomes-based contracting requires embracing evidence-based program models, partnership with the private sector, negotiation over outcomes and metrics, and workable approaches to evaluation. The roundtable will offer perspectives from the key players required in the development and launch of a Social Impact Bond – a government agency, a financial intermediary, a philanthropic investor, and a service provider seeking growth capital. It will provide an overview of this new financial instrument and its potential for mobilizing social sector capital, obstacles and challenges to reaching that potential, and a discussion of high-priority needs for policy analysis.

Roundtable

### **The Future of Housing Policy and Research: Lessons for the Next President and Congress (HCD) (POLPROC)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International C

Moderator:

Xavier Briggs, MIT

Speakers:

Ingrid Ellen, New York University; Raphael Bostic, USC; Sandra Newman, Johns Hopkins University; Jeffrey Lubell, Center for Housing Policy

Description:

The eve of the new Congress and presidential term presents an ideal moment to take stock of federal housing policy and relevant research—and to chart their future. The year 2012 is not simply an election year; it also follows an extraordinary series of developments in housing: the placement of mortgage giants Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac into receivership; a widespread crash in house prices resulting in a \$7 trillion loss in home equity; a wave of foreclosures larger than any seen since the Great Depression. On the policy front, we have seen the launch of unprecedented and much-debated foreclosure programs by the Obama Administration, the introduction of large-scale homelessness prevention through the Recovery Act, and the development of the first-ever, multi-agency Federal Strategic Plan to end homelessness. What is more, we have seen a wide array of measures to reform existing federal housing programs, better link them to health and supportive services—all in the face of tighter federal budgets, a sharp increase in joblessness and poverty, and major changes in the Government Performance and Results Act. Some of these developments were reflected in, and also reflected, a renaissance in policy development and research at HUD and the launch of the public/private What Works Collaborative to strengthen the role of research in HUD's policymaking. This reinvestment in



research capacity on federal urban policy followed the recommendations of a 2007-08 National Academy of Sciences panel (reported and discussed at APPAM in the fall 2008 research conference). As such, this roundtable will address three main questions: What are the most important housing policy accomplishments and shortcomings of the past four years? What are the prospects for making significant progress on important problems in the new term, with the next Congress? What have we learned about making research more useful for policy, and what key knowledge gaps and issues should we prioritize in the years ahead? The roundtable participants have held multiple roles at the forefront of housing policy and program design, budgeting, and research and evaluation. Participants include several members of the aforementioned NAS panel (Bostic, Newman), a lead organizer and researcher in What Works (Ellen), influential veteran housing policy researchers (all), one of the nation's most experienced and respected nonprofit policy advocates and a former HUD official (Lubell), a recent assistant secretary of policy development and research at HUD (Bostic), and the former associate director of the White House Office of Management and Budget whose portfolio included HUD, Treasury, the financial regulators, and other agencies (Briggs).

Roundtable

**The Obama Administration's Transparency Initiative in Federal Environmental and Energy Agencies**  
(ENV)

Location:  
Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Baltimore Theatre

Moderator:  
TBD

Speakers:  
TBD

Description:  
Top federal officials will discuss how their agencies have implemented the Obama Administration's transparency initiative, and how regulatory development and planning processes have changed in response to this initiative.

Sessions // 3:00 - 4:30

**Assessing the Social and Political Feasibility of Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS) Technology**  
(ENV) (ST)

Location:  
Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Hanover A

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Controversy In CCS Development: Public and Expert Responses to Alleged Leakage At Weyburn Demonstration Project

Jennie Stephens, Clark University; Amanda Boyd, University of Calgary; Edna Einsiedel, University of Calgary; Yue Liu, Clark University; James Meadowcroft, Carleton University; Tarla Rai Peterson, Texas A&M University; Melisa Pollak, University of Minnesota; Elizabeth Wilson, University of Minnesota

CCS In a Hot, Crowded World: Integrating Subsurface Management

Jeffrey Bielicki, University of Minnesota; Melisa Pollak, University of Minnesota; Catherine Peters, Princeton University; Elizabeth Wilson, University of Minnesota

Not Under My Backyard: Geographic Proximity and Public Acceptance of CCS Facilities

Rachel Krause, University of Texas at El Paso; Sanya Carley, Indiana University, School of Public and Environmental Affairs; David C. Warren, Indiana University; John Rupp, Indiana University; John Graham, Indiana University

CCS Policy In the United States: A New Coalition Endeavors to Change Existing Policy

Melisa Pollak, University of Minnesota; Sarah Johnson Phillips, Stoel Rives, LLC; Shalini Vajjhala, Resources for the Future

Discussant(s):

TBD

### **Challenges of Evaluation in Complex Systems**

(POLINF)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Schaefer

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Measuring Food Access and Food Deserts for Policy Purposes

Michele Ver Ploeg, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Economic Research Service; Vince Breneman, USDA - Economic Research Service

Endogenous Policy Resistance In Service Delivery Systems: “Downstream Swamping” As a Generic Dynamic Structure

George P Richardson, University at Albany, State University of New York; David F Andersen, University at Albany, State University of New York; Eliot Rich, University at Albany, State University of New York; Roderick H MacDonald, University at Albany, State University of New York

Re-Thinking the Complexity of Evaluation: Using Complex Systems Theory to Inform Evaluation Practice

Margaret B. Hargreaves, Mathematica Policy Research

Discussant(s):

TBD

### **Children & Immigration**

(SE) (SF)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Pratt B

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Child Support for American Citizen Children with Undocumented Immigrant Parents  
Lanlan Xu, SPEA, Indiana University; Maureen Pirog, University of Washington  
Indiana University

Predictors of Perceived Threat From Immigrants: Precursors to Political Backlash

Marylee Taylor, Penn State University; Maria Krysan, University of Illinois at Chicago;  
Matthew Hall, Cornell University

Unexplored Male Adolescent Sexual Behaviors and Teenage Pregnancy In Mexico

Marcela Torres, Universidad de Guadalajara / University of Texas at Austin; Patricia Murrieta,  
Universidad de Guadalajara / University of Texas at Austin

Siblings Divided: Children's Immigration Status and Access to Healthcare

Julia Gelatt, Princeton University

Discussant(s):

TBD

### **College Selectivity and Its Consequences**

(EDU)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Carroll

Chair:

Michal Kurlaender, University of California, Davis

Papers:

College Choice: Tradeoff Between Institutional Price and Quality  
Matea Pender, The College Board

The Impact of College Mismatch  
Jeffrey Smith, University of Michigan; Eleanor Dillon, University of Michigan

Ova and Out: Using Twins to Estimate the Educational Returns to Attending a Selective College  
Jonathan Smith, The College Board - Advocacy and Policy Center

Estimating the Return to College Selectivity Over the Career Using Administrative Earnings  
Data

Stacy Dale, Mathematica Policy Research; Alan Krueger, Princeton University

Discussant(s):  
Matthew Chingos, Brookings Institution

**Current Policy Issues in Early Education**  
(EDU) (CHILD)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Hopkins

Chair:  
Hirokazu Yoshikawa, New York University

Papers:  
Experimental Evidence On Distributional Effects of Head Start  
Marianne Bitler, University of California, Irvine; Thurston Domina, University of California,  
Irvine; Hillary Hoynes, Univ of California - Davis

Childhood Educational Interventions: Experimental Evidence On Postsecondary Outcomes  
Steven W. Hemelt, University of Michigan; Kimberly B. Roth, Johns Hopkins University

Effects of North Carolina's Early Childhood Programs On Exceptionality and Lep Status In  
Third Grade  
Helen F. Ladd, Duke University; Clara G. Muschkin, Duke University; Kenneth Dodge, Duke  
University; Sara Pilzer, Duke University

Does State Preschool Crowd-Out Private Provision? the Impact of Universal Preschool On the  
Childcare Sector  
Maria Fitzpatrick, Stanford University; Daphna Bassok, University of Virginia; Susanna Loeb,  
Stanford University

Discussant(s):  
Duncan Chaplin, Mathematica Policy Research; Chloe Gibbs, University of Chicago

**Data Visualization for Policy Analysis and Public Management  
(DATA)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Mencken

Chair:

Jonathan Schwabish, Congressional Budget Office

Papers:

Data Visualization for Data Exploration

Jeff Stanger, Center for Digital Information

Visualizing Economic Data for Non-Experts

Catherine Mulbrandon, VisualizingEconomics.com

Using Data Visualization At the Congressional Budget Office

Jonathan Schwabish, Congressional Budget Office

Communicating with Data and Design

Bryan Connor, TheWhyAxis.info

Discussant(s):

TBD

**Exploring Public Policy Options for Debt Relief: Foreclosure Moratoria, Bankruptcy, and  
Principal Forgiveness  
(SF) (HCD)**

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon D

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Mortgage Moratoria: Buying Time or Delaying the Inevitable?

Carly Urban, Montana State University

Consumer Bankruptcy and the Subprime Foreclosure Crisis

Carolina Reid, University of California- Berkeley Center for Responsible Lending; Alan White,  
Valparaiso University School of Law

Shared Appreciation Modifications: A New Hope?

Erik Hembre, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Discussant(s):  
Marsha Courchane, Charles River Associates

**Health and Geography**  
(HEALTH)

Location:  
Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Baltimore Theatre

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
Estimating the Effects of Neighborhood On the Physical Health Outcomes of Latino and African-American Children  
George Galster, Wayne State University; Georgios Kyriotakis, Case Western Reserve University; Jessica Lucero, Wayne State University; Anna Santiago, Case Western Reserve University

Geographic Variation In Insurance Coverage Dynamics  
John Graves, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine

Discussant(s):  
Lauren Nicholas, University of Michigan

**Housing Vouchers and Access to Opportunity**  
(HCD) (SF)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Pratt A

Chair:  
Cynthia Guy, Annie E. Casey Foundation

Papers:  
Do Housing Vouchers Break the Link Between Poverty and Poor Schools?  
Ingrid Ellen, New York University; Keren Horn, New York University; Amy Schwartz, New York University

School Choice Through Housing Choice: How Increased Housing Opportunity Affects Educational Access for Poor Children  
Stefanie DeLuca, Johns Hopkins University; Peter Rosenblatt, Johns Hopkins University

Do Source of Income (SOI) Anti-Discrimination Laws Facilitate Access to Better Neighborhoods?  
Lance Freeman, Columbia University

How Can “Mobility Counseling” Help Low-Income Voucher Holders Reach High-Quality Neighborhoods?

Martha Galvez, West Coast Poverty Center; Crystal Hall, University of Washington

Discussant(s):

Michael Lens, University of California Los Angeles; Philip Tegeler, Poverty & Race Research Action Council

**Implementation and Enforcement in Environmental Policy**  
(ENV)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Adams

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

How Predictable Are Environmental Compliance Inspections?

Sarah Stafford, College of William and Mary

The Role of Science In Collaborative Management

Craig Thomas, University of Washington; Meghan Massaua, U.S. Department of Energy; Terrie Klinger, University of Washington

Dynamic Response to Environmental Regulation In the U.S. Coal Industry

Hassan Faghani Dermi, Washington University in St.Louis

Leveraging Enforcement to Enhance Community: The Use of Supplemental Environmental Projects to Promote Environmental Justice

Deborah Gallagher, Duke University; Dika Kuoh, Georgia Environmental Protection Division

Discussant(s):

TBD

**Internationalization of Higher Education and the High-Skill Labor Market**  
(ST) (EDU)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Chesapeake

Chair:

Sarah Turner, University of Virginia

Papers:

College In the States: Foreign Student Demand and Higher Education  
Kelli Bird, University of Virginia

Mobile Scientists and International Networks: Evidence From Globsci  
Paula Stephan, Georgia State University; Chiara Franzoni, Politecnico di Milano; Giuseppe Scellato, Politecnico di Torino

A High-Skilled Immigrant Arrives At My Firm, What Happens to Me?  
Bill Kerr, Harvard University

Paying Out and Crowding Out? International Students In UK Higher Education  
Richard Murphy, London School of Economics

Discussant(s):  
Julia Lane, Senior Managing Economist at the American Institutes for Research; Michael Clemens, Center for Global Development

**Poverty Measurement and Poverty Reduction**  
(SF)

Location:  
Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon E

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
Reducing Poverty Across Generations: Four Year Findings From New York City's Conditional Cash Transfer Program  
Cynthia Miller, MDRC; James Riccio, MDRC; Nandita Verma, MDRC; Stephen Nunez, MDRC

The Antipoverty Effect of Nutrition Assistance Programs, 2007-2009  
Laura Wheaton, The Urban Institute; Linda Giannarelli, The Urban Institute

Evaluating the Pro-Poorness of Income Transfers: Does the Choice of Poverty Indicator Influence the Assessment?  
Geranda Notten, Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, University of Ottawa

Medicaid, Medicare, MOOP and the Supplemental Measure of Elderly Poverty: Have We Lost Our Minds?  
Sanders Korenman, Baruch College, City University of New York; Dahlia Remler, Baruch College, City University of New York

Discussant(s):  
TBD



**Social Policy and Crime**  
(CD) (EDU)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Preston

Chair:  
Emily Owens, Cornell University

Papers:  
High stakes in the classroom, high stakes on the street: The effects of community violence on students' standardized test performance  
Patrick Sharkey, New York University; Amy Schwartz, New York University; Ingrid Ellen, New York University; Johanna Lacoë, University of Southern California

Do School Environments Influence Crime and Substance Abuse?  
John MacDonald, University of Pennsylvania; Nancy Nicosia, RAND Corporation

The Effect of Relative Age On Education and Crime  
Songman Kang, Duke University; Philip Cook, Duke University; Clara Muschkin, Duke University

Reducing Juvenile Delinquency by Building Social-Cognitive Skills: Experimental Evidence  
Jonathan Guryan, Northwestern University; Sara Heller, University of Chicago; Jens Ludwig, University of Chicago

Discussant(s):  
Steven Raphael, University of California - Berkeley

**Society for Benefit-Cost Analysis: Benefit Cost Analysis and the Federal Regulatory Process**  
(OT)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, D'Alesandro

Chair:  
Adam Finkel, University of Pennsylvania

Papers:  
Improving Regulatory Accountability – Lessons from the Past and Prospects for the Future  
Susan Dudley, George Washington University

Solving the “Pebble in the Stream” Problem  
Michael Mandel, Progressive Policy Institute

Regulatory Impact Analysis of Financial Reform Regulations  
Joseph Aldy, Harvard University; Arthur Fraas, Resources for the Future; Randall Lutter,  
Resources for the Future

Discussant(s):  
Lisa Robinson, Self-employed

**Structuring the Debate: Issue Framing, Bureaucratic Authority, and Policy Regimes**  
(POLPROC)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Calhoun

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
Policy Regime Perspectives: Policies and Governing  
Peter May, University of Washington; Ashley Jochim, University of Washington

A New Politics of Food? A Policy Regime Approach  
Adam Sheingate, Johns Hopkins University

Assessing Advocacy Effectiveness: The Power of Political Framing to Shape Policy Outcomes  
Christine Mahoney, University of Virginia; Heike Kleuver, University of Oxford

The State of Schooling: Bureaucracy, Governance and Education Reform  
David K. Cohen, University of Michigan; Susan L. Moffitt, Brown University

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**The ACA: Affordability, Access to Care, and Implementation**  
(HEALTH)

Location:  
Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon A

Chair:  
Linda Blumberg, Urban Institute

Papers:  
Access to Care for Uninsured Adults Eligible to Participate In Affordable Insurance Exchanges  
Steven Hill, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

Affordability of Insurance: Application of ACA Definitions In a Linked Employee-Employer

Database

Edward Miller, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality; Thomas Selden, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality; Jessica Vistnes, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

Do Medicaid Recipients Use Emergency Departments Because They Cannot Access Primary Care?

Stephen Weinberg, SUNY Albany; Niyousha Hosseini, SUNY Albany; Avinash Bachwani, SUNY Albany

State Implementation of the Affordable Care Act's Insurance Exchanges

David Weimer, University of Wisconsin - Madison; Simon Haeder, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Discussant(s):

TBD

### **The Evolution of Nonprofits in Child Care and Welfare**

(PM) (CHILD)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon B

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

19th-Century Model for 21st-Century Problem: Government-Nonprofit Fiscal Relations In Provision of Child Welfare Services

Thad Calabrese, Robert F. Wagner Graduate School of Public Service, NYU Baruch College - CUNY; Nicole Marwell, Baruch College

The Institutional Perspective On NGO Self-Regulation: An Empirical Analysis

Khaldoun Abouassi, Syracuse University

The Business of Nonprofits: A Look At Child Welfare Agencies

Robbie Robichau, Arizona State University

Balancing Priorities and Managing Relationships: The Intergovernmental, Cross-Sector Implementation of the Child Care Development Fund

Teresa M Derrick-Mills, The Urban Institute The George Washington University

Discussant(s):

TBD

### **The Great Recession, Work, and Program Participation of Individuals with Disabilities**

(DIS)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Washington

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
An Empirical Analysis of Unemployment Duration and Disability Application Decisions  
Hugo Benitez-Silva, SUNY-Stony Brook; Na Yin, Baruch College

The Great Recession and Older Workers with Disabilities  
Lucie Schmidt, Williams College; Purvi Sevak, Hunter College; R. Onur Altindag, Hunter College-CUNY

Employment Experiences of Social Security Disability Beneficiaries Before and After the Great Recession  
Gina Livermore, Mathematica Policy Research

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**The Next Generation of Social Cash Transfer Experiments: Evaluating Cash Transfer Programs in Sub-Saharan Africa**  
(SF) (INT)

Location:  
Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Hanover B

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
Productive Impact of Unconditional Cash Transfer Program: Evidence From Randomized Experiment In Kenya  
Benjamin Davis, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations; Solomon Asfaw, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations; Giovanni Federighi, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations; Sudhanshu Handa, UNC-Chapel Hill

Supply Versus Demand Side Interventions to Boost Health Outcomes: Evidence From Ghana's LEAP Program  
Sudhanshu Handa, UNC-Chapel Hill; Michael Park, University of North Carolina

The South African Child Support Grant and Its Impacts  
Carolyn Heinrich, University of Texas at Austin; John Hoddinott, International Food Policy Research Institute; Michael Samson, Economic Policy Research Institute; Kenneth Mac Quene,

Economic Policy Research Institute; Ingrid van Niekerk, Economic Policy Research Institute; Nils Riemenschneider, Oxford Policy Management; Bryant Renaud, Economic Policy Research Institute

The Impact of Cash Transfer Programs On Discount Rates and Expectations: Evidence From Zambia

David Seidenfeld, AIR; Sudhanshu Handa, UNC-Chapel Hill

Discussant(s):

TBD

### **Using Systematic Reviews for Evidence-Based Decision Making In Policy and Practice (METH)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, McKeldon

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Home Visiting Programs: Using a Systematic Review to Assess the Evidence

Sarah A Avellar, Mathematica Policy Research

The National Registry of Evidence-Based Programs and Practices

Stephen Gardner, MANILA Consulting Group, Inc.

Findings From the HHS Teen Pregnancy Prevention Evidence Review

Brian Goesling, Mathematica Policy Research

Discussant(s):

Lauren Supplee, Administration for Children and Families

### **Variability In Teacher Effectiveness During the Early Career (EDU)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International C

Chair:

Richard Murnane, Harvard University

Papers:

The Gateway to the Profession: Assessing Teacher Preparation Programs Based On Student Achievement

Dan Goldhaber, University of Washington; Stephanie Liddle, University of Washington; Roddy

Theobald, University of Washington

Returns to Experience In Secondary Grades Science Courses: Examining Estimation Strategies and Explanations for Variability

C. Kevin Fortner, Georgia State University; Kevin Bastian, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; Gary Henry, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Estimating and Explaining Differences In Returns to Experience Across Teachers

Matthew Kraft, Harvard Graduate School of Education; John Papay, Brown University

Returns to Teacher Experience In Early Career Years

Allison Atteberry, University of Virginia; Susanna Loeb, Stanford University; James Wyckoff, University of Virginia

Discussant(s):

Jonah Rockoff, Columbia University; Eric Taylor, Stanford University

Roundtable

## **Increasing Labor Market Participation in A Time of High Unemployment: Lessons From Europe**

(EMP) (INT)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International A

Moderator:

Douglas Besharov, University of Maryland - College Park

Speakers:

Carolyn Heinrich, University of Texas at Austin; Richard Burkhauser, Cornell University; Robert Haveman, University of Wisconsin - Madison; Jacob Klerman, Abt Associates Inc.

Description:

In the last decade, the percent of the U.S. working age population that is employed has decreased by about 10 percent (from about 74 percent to about 68 percent) and the percent receiving government benefits such as Unemployment Insurance, disability, and food stamps has increased. This is a growing issue among American men, where 20 percent of men in their prime working age (25-54) and 49 percent of all men without a high school diploma are now not employed. Flat high school graduation rates and poor college graduation rates suggest that reduced rates of employment may continue, at least for the near future. Moreover, the labor market is increasingly polarized, with increases in both high-skill high-wage jobs and low-skill low-wage jobs but a relative decline in middle-wage jobs. In contrast, rates of employment in many European countries and in the EU as a whole have increased. (For Germany, from about 66 percent to about 71 percent; for the Netherlands, from about 72 percent to about 75 percent; and for the EU-15, from about 64 percent to about 66 percent). Many attribute these increases to

changes in labor policies that seek to encourage participation in the labor force: (1) On the supply side, activating recipients of government benefits by tightening eligibility requirements, limiting the duration of benefit receipt, and mandating recipient participation job search and other work-first activities; (2) on the demand side, reducing employer costs for either hiring or keeping employees by providing job training, partially subsidizing employment through job sharing and short-time work, and lowering social security taxes for employers; and (3) changing program administration by consolidating programs and funding streams, decentralizing authority, outsourcing services, and incentivizing systems of financing and reimbursement. In the United States, as federal, state, and local governments continue to face difficult budget decisions, these European reforms may provide useful models for increasing employment. The panelists in this session will discuss various European programs and their applicability to the U.S.

Roundtable

**Regulation of Federal Education Funding: Costs and Benefits of a Culture of Compliance (PF) (EDU)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Jefferson

Moderator:

Nora Gordon, Georgetown University

Speakers:

Eric Hanushek, Stanford University; Sheara Krvaric, Federal Education Group PLLC; Paul Manna, College of William and Mary; Marguerite Roza, University of Washington

Description:

Federal programs have brought billions of dollars to help states and districts achieve their education policy goals. These funds come with conditions meant to ensure that they further federal policy goals, but which necessarily limit the ability of states, districts and schools to use funds optimally to meet local needs. This panel will discuss specific ways—good and bad—in which compliance regimes restrict the use of funds, both in theory and—often due to misperceptions about what is permissible—in practice. The panel will discuss how existing compliance regimes interact with local policies such as site-based management and weighted student formulas, and how researchers’ awareness—or lack thereof—of these compliance requirements may affect their interpretations of other education policy evaluation findings. The panel will conclude by exploring alternative approaches to safeguarding federal education funds while allowing for greater local flexibility. Excerpts below from Krvaric and Junge, “Federal Compliance Works against Education Policy Goals” (AEI Outlook No. 6, July 2011), help motivate this roundtable. "Policymakers' discussions of "regulatory reform" often overlook fiscal and administrative compliance requirements that impact the day-to-day implementation of federal programs. This happens for two reasons. First, these compliance rules, by themselves, appear to be far removed from traditional education policy discussions. Second, states and districts are reluctant to raise questions or concerns about these requirements because they do not want to bring additional scrutiny to themselves. In this environment, it is critical for federal

policymakers and education advocates to closely examine compliance rules and understand how they unintentionally hinder good program implementation. ... the state has wide-reaching authority and responsibility over how federal education programs are implemented and is legally responsible for ensuring that school districts comply with all federal requirements. This grants states the authority to impose additional rules on districts on top of what federal law requires--including the authority to restrict how districts use federal funds, even for things otherwise permissible under federal law. ... In an environment where standards vary, states may feel compelled to "lock down" federal funds to minimize exposure to noncompliance findings and may inadvertently impose more restrictive rules than federal law requires. This is because states are legally responsible for repaying money in a state-administered program if a district spends funds incorrectly. The confusion regarding the baseline federal requirements makes it challenging for state education leaders to reduce state-imposed red tape on federal funds, or to use federal funds to implement innovative programs. Districts face a different set of challenges. While districts are responsible for providing educational services to students, they often have the least authority in determining how federal funds are spent and the least access to federal and state policymakers. Therefore, state rules may make it difficult for a district leader to replicate a successful federal program from another state (since what is permitted in one state may not be permitted in another), or to access help from ED if the district believes the state is imposing rules that are inconsistent with federal law."

Roundtable

**The Recovery Act: Network Governance Under Pressure**  
(PM)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International E

Moderator:

Paul Posner, George Mason University

Speakers:

Timothy Conlan, George Mason University; Sandra Archibald, University of Washington; Richard F. Callahan, University of San Francisco; Stanley Czerwinski, US Government Accountability Office

Description:

The Congress passed the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) in February, 2009 in the midst of the worst economic crisis since the Great Depression. The stakes have rarely been higher for an Administration or a Congress. The economy's turnaround was in no small part predicated on the jump start that the Recovery Act provides. The paradox of ARRA is that achievement of these compelling national goals in no small part rests on the shoulders of the thousands of state and local governments, nonprofits and private firms who would be assigned the primary implementation roles for ARRA programs. The tensions that will unfold between national policy ambitions and noncentralized implementation regimes are as old as the Republic. Crises, whether economic or homeland security, traditionally have centralizing effects on our



system. Rapid start up of programs and high national stakes together provide strong incentives for national officials to take strong measures to drive implementation and develop effective surveillance and oversight. The high stakes have spawned emergent forms of accountability and new governance models. A challenging array of accountability provisions and new information reporting systems have been created to track and account for ARRA funds. Yet, federal officials knew they had to rely on established networks of state and local officials to expeditiously spend and effectively manage the funds. The knowledge and expertise for many of the 300 programs that became the conduit for ARRA funds resided not in federal hands, but across the thousands of third parties that were responsible for health, education, energy and the numerous other programs involved. It is incumbent upon our community – public policy analysts as well as practitioners – to assess the implications of this major domestic policy initiative and the emerging governance models for national policy leadership, accountability and our federal system. Officials with the Obama Administration have already opined that they intend for many of the innovations in governance to become the new baseline for managing federal programs beyond ARRA for the future. This roundtable will bring together policy analysts to report on new research focusing on the network of public managers used to deliver Recovery Act programs. The studies, supported by the Smith Richardson Foundation and the IBM Center on the Business of Government, focused on the implications of different kinds of networks and managerial strategies for achieving national Recovery policy goals. The roundtable will also include the leader of GAO’s work overseeing Recovery Act implementation in the states.

Roundtable

**What's Next for Social Security**  
(AG) (SF)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Poe

Moderator:  
Deb Whitman, AARP

Speakers:  
Wilhelmina Leigh, Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies; Donna Butts, Generations United; Shawn Fremstad, Center for Economic and Policy Research; Melissa Favreault, The Urban Institute

Description:  
The last few years of economic uncertainty have left policymakers struggling with the best way to address the effects of a slow economic recovery. Meanwhile, Americans have seen sources of their retirement income security– home equity, defined benefit pension plans, 401(k)s, personal savings –weakening in recent years, particularly in the wake of the housing finance crisis and the Great Recession. Social Security, the bedrock of most American’s retirement security, finds itself at the center of public debate about how to address its long-term revenue shortfall. But even before the economic downturn, policymakers often discussed Social Security’s long-term solvency through the lens of what cuts needed to be made, despite the fact many Americans

found themselves increasingly reliant on the program during the Great Recession. The average monthly Social Security benefit is modest, coming in at \$1,177, or just over \$14,000 a year. Perhaps the question should not be how much to cut, but whether we need to cut at all. The 2012 presidential election will be just past when this roundtable convenes. The timing provides an opportunity to consider Social Security from a fresh perspective. What would it take to improve modest benefits? The program faces a manageable revenue shortfall; what would it take to manage it? Is there a viable alternative to cutting benefits? This roundtable will explore provocative questions such as these – seeking fresh ways to bring inside-the-Beltway thinking and policymaking more into line with public support for Social Security by discussing and developing realistic options to improve benefits and pay for the improvements.

Detailed Schedule // Friday, November 9  
Sessions // 8:00 - 9:30

**All about School Principals**  
(EDU) (PM)

Location:  
Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon A

Chair:  
Allison Atteberry, University of Virginia

Papers:  
Principal Quality and the Persistence of School Policies  
Sarah Cannon, Northwestern University; David Figlio, Northwestern University; Tim Sass, Georgia State University

What Makes Principals Effective In Raising Student Achievement?  
Elizabeth Dhuey, University of Toronto, Scarborough; Justin Smith, Wilfrid Laurier University

Is School Value-Added Indicative of Principal Quality?  
Hanley Chiang, Mathematica Policy Research; Stephen Lipscomb, Mathematica Policy Research; Brian Gill, Mathematica Policy Research

Using Student Test Scores to Measure Principal Performance  
Jason Grissom, Vanderbilt University; Susanna Loeb, Stanford University; Demetra Kalogrides, Stanford University

Discussant(s):  
Mimi Engel, Vanderbilt University; Damon Clark, Cornell University

**Bending the Cost Curve by Changing Physician Behavior**  
(HEALTH)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International D

Chair:

Tony LoSasso, University of Illinois-Chicago

Papers:

Do Physicians Account for Patient Out-of-Pocket Costs When Prescribing? Theory and Evidence From Medicaid

Frederic Selck, Johns Hopkins University National Center for Health Statistics; Sandra Decker, National Center for Health Statistics; Bradley Herring, Johns Hopkins University

Professional Society Recommendations and Physician Behavior: Regression Discontinuity Evidence from the American Academy of Pediatrics Policy Statements

Jeremy Craig Green, Yale School of Public Health; Clara Filice, American Academy of Pediatrics; Marjorie Rosenthal, Yale School of Medicine; Joseph Ross, Yale School of Medicine

The Effects of Non-Compete Agreements On Physician Practice Organization

Kurt Lavetti, University of California - Berkeley

The Influence of Organizational Arrangements On Health Care: Will A More Integrated Market Reduce Costs?

Christal Ramos, George Washington University

Discussant(s):

Chapin White, Center for Studying Health System Change; Jeffrey Traczynski, University of Wisconsin-Madison

**Both Ends of Pennsylvania Avenue: Congress, the Presidency, and Public Policy**  
(POLPROC)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Calhoun

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Benefit-Cost Analysis As a Congressional Limitation On Agency Decision-Making: The Case of the Contract-Tower Program

Russell Mills, Bowling Green State University

Congressional Caucuses - the Invisible Committees

Michael McCormick, George Mason University

Channeling Information, Setting the Agenda: The President, Congress, and Economic Policymaking

Barry Pump, Office of the Historian, U.S. House of Representatives

Discussant(s):

TBD

**Child-Care Subsidies: Parental Stress, Child-Care Quality and Child Development**  
(SF) (CHILD)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International E

Chair:

Chris M. Herbst, Arizona State University

Papers:

Child Care Subsidies and Cognitive Development: Mediating Pathways

Laura Hawkinson, American Institutes for Research

Do Child-Care Subsidies Shift Children Into Higher Quality Care From Age 2 to Preschool?

Anna Johnson, Columbia University; Rebecca Ryan, Georgetown University

Struggling to Pay Bills: Using Mixed Methods to Understand Families' Financial Stress and Child-Care Costs

Bobbie Weber, Oregon State University; Elizabeth Davis, University of Minnesota

Parent Well-Being, Child-Care Quality and Child Development: Do State Subsidy Policy Variations Change This Relationship?

Meryl Yoches Barofsky, University of Maryland, College Park; Elisa L. Klein, University of Maryland, College Park

Discussant(s):

Nicole Forry, Child Trends, Inc

**Current Issues Facing the Science and Technology Labor Forces**  
(ST) (EMP)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Chesapeake

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Somewhere Inbetween Workforce Development and STEM Education: Qualitative Assessment of a Local Workforce Development Program

Yu Jin Jung, George Mason University

Building the Nation's Scientific Workforce: Studying the Transfer Pathway to a College Degree  
Clemencia Cosentino, Mathematica Policy Research; Margaret Sullivan, Mathematica Policy Research

Funding or Filing? Interactions Between Universities' R&D Funding Sources and Patenting of  
Drugs & Medical Inventions  
Margaret E. Blume-Kohout, University of New Mexico

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**Disability Benefits, Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment**  
(DIS) (EMP)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Washington

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
The Effect of Disability Insurance Receipt On Labor Supply  
Eric French, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago; Jae Song, Social Security Administration

The Social Security Administration's Youth Transition Demonstration: One-Year Impacts In  
Three Sites  
Arif Mamun, Mathematica Policy Research; Thomas Fraker, Mathematica Policy Research;  
Deborah Reed, Mathematica Policy Research

Disability-Program Incentives and Induced Entry and Earnings: An Analysis Using SSI and  
SSDI Program Interactions  
Philip Armour, Cornell University

Waiting Time for Vocational Rehabilitation Services and Post-Closure Outcomes for SSDI  
Beneficiaries  
Todd Honeycutt, Mathematica Policy Research; David Stapleton, Cornell University

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**Environmental and Energy Policies in Municipalities**  
(ENV)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Mencken

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:

Fragmentation Versus Consolidation: Evaluating Effectiveness, Efficiency, and Equity In Trash Collection for Cities

Mark W. Davis, University of Colorado Denver

Intergovernmental Cooperation for Comprehensive Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Policy-Making: Design Elements and Macroeconomic Performance

Hal Nelson, School of Politics and Policy, Claremont Graduate University; Adam Rose, Price School of Public Policy, University of Southern California

Fiscal and Environmental Stress and Local-Level Climate Change Policy Innovation: A Multi-Level Event History Approach

Elizabeth A Albright, Duke University Nicholas School of the Environment

Clean Energy Policies and Green Jobs: An Evaluation of Green Jobs In U.S. Metropolitan Areas

Hongtao Yi, Florida State University; Richard Feiock, Florida State University

Discussant(s):

TBD

### **Evaluating Programs for Special Needs Populations (EMP)**

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Hanover A

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Economic and Health Implications of Long-Term Unemployment: Earnings, Disability Benefits, and Mortality

Kenneth Couch, University of Connecticut; Howard Iams, Social Security Administration; Gayle Reznik, Social Security Administration; Christopher Tamborini, Social Security Administration

Estimating Redemption Times for Ex-Offenders with Stale Criminal Records

Alfred Blumstein, Carnegie Mellon University; Kiminori Nakamura, University of Maryland

Equipping Non-Custodial Fathers As Long-Term Providers

Ronald Mincy, Columbia University School of Social Work; Daniel Miller, Boston University School of Social Work; Serena Klempin, Center for Research on Fathers, Children and Family Well-Being at Columbia University School of Social Work; David Seith, Columbia University

Return to Work After A Workers' Compensation Settlement: Income Versus “Closure” Effects  
Bogdan Savych, Workers Compensation Research Institute

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**Examining Networks in Practice**  
(POLINF)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Schaefer

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
Fostering Innovation In An Intergovernmental Transportation Planning Governance Network  
Through Multi-Criteria Analysis  
Christopher Koliba, University of Vermont

How Does Shared Understanding Develop In the Process to Create Social Innovation?  
Manabu Nakashima, University at Albany, SUNY

Structure and Dynamics In Dark Networks: Applying Formal Network Analysis to Criminal and  
Illicit Activity  
David Dornisch, U.S. Government Accountability Office

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**Family, School, and Neighborhood Predictors of Child Obesity**  
(CHILD) (SF)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Pratt A

Chair:  
Joseph Sabia, San Diego State University

Papers:  
The Impact of Maternal Work On Children's Dietary Behavior and Obesity  
Ashlesha Datar, RAND Graduate School of Policy Studies; Nancy Nicosia, RAND Corporation;  
Victoria Shier, Pardee RAND Graduate School

The Impact of Physical Education On Obesity Among Elementary School Children

David Frisvold, Emory University; John Cawley, Cornell University; Chad Meyerhoefer, Lehigh University

Food Assistance and Children's Eating Patterns, Food Insecurity, and Overweight: The Influence of Food Prices

Taryn Morrissey, American University; Alison Jackowitz, American University; Katie Vinopal, American University

State Child Care Subsidy Policies and Child Obesity

Daniel Miller, Boston University School of Social Work; Yoonsook Ha, Boston University School of Social Work; Jina Chang, Boston University School of Social Work

Discussant(s):

Caroline Fitchenberg, American Public Health Association; Diane Gibson, Baruch College, City University of New York

### **Federal Fiscal Policy and Individual Decision Making (PF)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Jefferson

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

What Does Marriage Tax Policy Mean for Cohabiting Couples?

Emily Y. Lin, U.S. Department of the Treasury; Patricia K. Tong, U.S. Department of the Treasury

The Incidence of Student Financial Aid: Evidence From the Pell Grant Program

Lesley Turner, University of Maryland

A Markov Chain Analysis of Capital Gains Realizations: The Great Recession Versus the 2001 Recession

James Pearce, U.S. Department of the Treasury - Office of Tax Analysis; Ithai Lurie, US Department of the Treasury- Office of Tax analysis

To Choose or Not to Choose: Federal Tax Credits and College Choice Decisions

Tatyana Guzman, Indiana University, School of Public and Environmental Affairs

Discussant(s):

Howard Chernick, Hunter College, City University of New York; Jessica Howell, The College Board, Advocacy & Policy Center

### **Getting People Back to Work: The Impact of Connecting the Unemployed to**



**Reemployment Services**  
(EMP)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Hopkins

Chair:  
Wayne Gordon, Employment and Training Administration, U.S. Department of Labor

Papers:  
Reemployment Services That Work: Research Findings  
Stephen Wandner, The Urban Institute

Implementation of the Reemployment and Eligibility Assessment Initiative In Four States  
Eileen Poe-Yamagata, IMPAQ International, LLC; Kim Morigeau, Nevada Department of  
Employment, Training, and Rehabilitation

Results From the Impact Evaluation of the Reemployment and Eligibility Assessment Initiative  
Marios Michaelides, IMPAQ International, LLC

National Vision for Connecting UI Claimants with the Reemployment System  
Bonnie Elsey, Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development

Discussant(s):  
Larry Temple, Texas Workforce Commission

**Impacts of Accountability**  
(EDU)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International C

Chair:  
Susanna Loeb, Stanford University

Papers:  
School Accountability, Standards and Family Sorting  
David Figlio, Northwestern University; Lauren Linzmeier, Massachusetts Institute of  
Technology; Jonas Vlachos, Stockholm University

The Effect of No Child Left Behind On Public Schools: Role of Sanctions Versus Stigma  
Rajashri Chakrabarti, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

Long-Run Impact of School Accountability On Educational Attainment and Earnings  
David Deming, Harvard University; Jennifer Jennings, New York University

Does the Market Value Value-Added? Evidence From Housing Prices After Public Release of Teacher Value-Added  
Scott Imberman, Michigan State University; Michael Lovenheim, Cornell University

Discussant(s):

Damon Clark, Cornell University; Steven Rivkin, Amherst College

**Informing the Social Security Reform Debate with Distributional Analysis**  
(CC) (DIS)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon D

Chair:

Deb Whitman, AARP

Papers:

The Social Security Retirement Earnings Test: Behavioral Response to Reform Options  
Kathleen Romig, Social Security Administration; Anya Olsen, Social Security Administration

How Will Obese Americans Fare Under Potential Changes to the Full Retirement Age?

Melissa Knoll, Social Security Administration; Samantha O'Leary, The Lewin Group; Dave Shoffner, Social Security Administration

Earnings of Applicants to the Social Security Disability Insurance Program and Effects of Means-Testing Eligibility

Joyce Manchester, Congressional Budget Office; Jonathan Schwabish, Congressional Budget Office

Simulation of Future Retirement Income Under Alternative Assumptions

Patrick Purcell, Social Security Administration; Dave Shoffner, Social Security Administration

Discussant(s):

Andrew Biggs, American Enterprise Institute

**Kindergarten As a Policy Lever In Educational Reform**  
(EDU) (CHILD)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon B

Chair:

Luke Miller, University of Virginia

Papers:

Reconciling Experimental and Quasi-Experimental Evidence On the Impact of Full-Day

Kindergarten  
Chloe Gibbs, University of Chicago

The Effects of Formative Assessment In Early Elementary School: Evidence From a Random Assignment Study  
Susanna Loeb, Stanford University; Ben York, Stanford University

Is Kindergarten the New First Grade? the Effects of No Child Left Behind On Kindergarten  
Daphna Bassok, University of Virginia; Anna Rorem, University of Virginia: Curry School of Education

Kindergarten Redshirting: Assessing Incidence and Impacts  
C. Kevin Fortner, Georgia State University; Jade Marcus, UNC-Chapel Hill

Discussant(s):  
Paco Martorell, RAND; Robert Olsen, Abt Associates

**Methodological Issues with Value Added Models**  
(CC) (METH)

Location:  
Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Hanover B

Chair:  
James Wyckoff, University of Virginia

Papers:  
Does the Model Matter? Exploring the Relationship Between Different Student Achievement-Based Teacher Assessments  
Dan Goldhaber, University of Washington; Joseph Walch, University of Washington; Brian Gabele, Seattle Public Schools

Sensitivity of Teacher Value-Added Estimates to Student and Peer Control Variables  
Matthew Johnson, Mathematica Policy Research; Stephen Lipscomb, Mathematica Policy Research; Brian Gill, Mathematica Policy Research

Co-Teaching In Value-Added Models: Analytic Methods for Addressing the Attribution Problem  
Heinrich Hock, Mathematica Policy Research; Eric Isenberg, Mathematica Policy Research

Distinguishing Between School Quality and the Effectiveness of Teacher Preparation Program Graduates  
Kata Mihaly, RAND; Daniel McCaffrey, RAND; Tim Sass, Georgia State University; J.R. Lockwood, RAND

Discussant(s):  
Douglas Harris, University of Wisconsin at Madison; Cory Koedel, University of Missouri-

Columbia

**Microsimulation and Social Security**  
(AG) (METH)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Poe

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
Validating Longitudinal Earnings In Dynamic Microsimulation Models: The Role of Outliers  
Melissa Favreault, The Urban Institute; Owen Haaga, Urban Institute

Modeling Individual Earnings Paths In Cbo's Long-Term Microsimulation Model  
Jonathan Schwabish, Congressional Budget Office; Julie Topoleski, Congressional Budget Office

Cohorts Model Simulation of Lifetime Earnings Through Sampled Error Configurations  
David Pattison, Social Security Administration

Modeling Opportunity and Simulating Policy Effects On Mobility: The Brookings Social Genome Model  
Scott Winship, Brookings Institution

Discussant(s):  
Karen Smith, The Urban Institute; Martin Holmer, Policy Simulation Group

**Police and Crime**  
(CD)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Preston

Chair:  
John MacDonald, University of Pennsylvania

Papers:  
The Effect of Police On Crime: New Evidence From U.S. Cities, 1960-2010  
Aaron Chalfin, University of California, Berkeley; Justin McCrary, University of California, Berkeley

Is Stop, Question and Frisk An Effective Tool In the Fight Against Crime?  
Dennis C. Smith, NYU Wagner School; Robert Purtell, University at Albany- SUNY; Santiago Guerrero, Rockefeller College, University at Albany

If You Fail, You Go to Jail: Sanction Certainty and Continuous Alcohol Monitoring Effectiveness

Greg Midgette, University of California - Los Angeles RAND Corporation; Paul Heaton, RAND Corporation; Beau Kilmer, RAND Corporation; Nancy Nicosia, RAND Corporation

Discussant(s):

Mark Kleiman, UCLA

**Race, Ethnicity, and Public Policy Analysis: Understanding Deeper Complexities Through Qualitative Research**

(SE) (METH)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Adams

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Terms of Engagement: Men of Color Discuss Their Experiences In Community College  
Alissa Gardenhire, MDRC

Facilitating College Success Among Emerging Hispanic Serving Institutions

Susan Gooden, Virginia Commonwealth University

Deciphering Policy Through Rose-Colored Lenses: “Listen up” to the Voices of African American Parents”

David Pate, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee

Discussant(s):

Earl Johnson, Administration for Children and Families

**Re-Evaluating the American Dream: Policies to Encourage and Sustain Homeownership (HCD)**

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Baltimore Theatre

Chair:

Lucy Gorham, Center for Community Capital

Papers:

Changing the American Dream? Post-Recession Drivers of Preferences for Homeownership  
Rachel Bogardus Drew, University of Massachusetts-Boston; Christopher Herbert, Harvard University

Measuring the Benefits of Homeowning: Effects On Children Redux  
Gary Painter, University of Southern California; Richard Green, University of Southern California; Michelle J. White, University of California, San Diego

Downstream Integration and Upstream Agency Problems: Evidence From the Mortgage Foreclosure Industry  
Lauren Lambie-Hanson, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Timothy Lambie-Hanson, Suffolk University

Impacts of Down Payment Underwriting Standards On Loan Performance – Evidence From the GSEs/FHA Portfolios  
Ken Lam, Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA); Austin Kelly, Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA); Robert Dunskey, Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA)

Discussant(s):  
Stephanie Moulton, John Glenn School of Public Affairs, The Ohio State University John Glenn School of Public Affairs, The Ohio State University; J. Michael Collins, University of Wisconsin

**Regulatory Breakdown: The Crisis of Confidence In U.S. Regulation**  
(PM)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Carroll

Chair:  
Cary Coglianese, University of Pennsylvania Law School

Papers:  
Beyond Belts and Suspenders: Promoting Private Risk Management In Offshore Drilling  
Lori Bennear, Duke University

Oversight In Hindsight: Assessing the U.S. Regulatory System In the Wake of Calamity  
Christopher Carrigan, George Washington University Trachtenberg School; Cary Coglianese, University of Pennsylvania Law School

Regulation or Nationalization? Lessons Learned From the 2008 Financial Crisis  
Susan Wachter, University of Pennsylvania Wharton School; Adam J. Levitin, Georgetown University Law Center

Delay In Notice and Comment Rulemaking: Evidence of Systemic Regulatory Breakdown?  
Susan Webb Yackee, University of Wisconsin La Follette School; Jason Webb Yackee, University of Wisconsin Law School

Discussant(s):  
Susan L. Moffitt, University of Michigan

**Society for Benefit-Cost Analysis: Benefit-Cost Analysis and Social Policy  
(OT)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, D'Alesandro

Chair:

Joseph Cordes, George Washington University

Papers:

Cost-Benefit Analysis in Theory and Practice: A General Review  
Clive Belfield, Queens College, CUNY

Using Microsimulation Models to Estimate Long-Term Benefits of Early Interventions  
Scott Winship, Brookings Institution; Lynn Karoly, RAND Graduate School of Policy Studies;  
Jeffrey Diebold, UNC-Chapel Hill

A Cost-Benefit Analysis of Tulsa's Individual Development Account (IDA) Program: Findings  
From a Long-Term Follow-Up of a Random Assignment Social Experiment  
David H. Greenberg, University of Maryland, Baltimore County

Discussant(s):

TBD

**The Effect of the Safety Net On Poverty and Food Insecurity  
(SF) (CHILD)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International B

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

The Effect of Safety Net Programs On Food Insecurity  
Lucie Schmidt, Williams College; Lara Shore-Sheppard, Williams College; Tara Watson,  
Williams College

How State Policies Influence the Efficacy of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program In  
Reducing Poverty

Laura Tiehen, Economic Research Service, USDA; Dean Jolliffe, The World Bank Group; Craig  
Gundersen, University of Illinois

Food Stamps, Food Sufficiency, and Diet-Related Disease Among the Elderly  
Katie Fitzpatrick, Seattle University; Nadia Greenhalgh-Stanley, Kent State University

Discussant(s):

Shannon Mok, Congressional Budget Office; Craig Gundersen, University of Illinois

**The Effects of School Curriculum Reforms On Student Achievement and Attainment  
(EDU)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International A

Chair:

Dylan Conger, George Washington University

Papers:

Doubling up: the Long Run Impacts of Remedial Algebra On High School Graduation and  
College Enrollment

Joshua Goodman, Harvard University

Is More Always Better? Final Outcome Findings from a Multi-Year Study of the Massachusetts  
Expanded Learning Time (ELT) Initiative

Amy Checkoway, Abt Associates Inc

Allocating More of the School Day to Math: Regression-Discontinuity Estimates of Returns and  
Costs

Eric Taylor, Stanford University

Bridging the Discontinuity In Adolescent Literacy: Evidence of Effectiveness From One District  
Shaun Dougherty, Harvard Graduate School of Education

Discussant(s):

Phil Gleason, Mathematica Policy Research; Rajeev Darolia, University of Missouri

**The Effects of the Great Recession On Children and Youth  
(CHILD) (SF)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, McKeldon

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Economic Instability and Child Health: Evidence From the Aftermath of the Great Recession

Ariel Kalil, University of Chicago; Lindsey Leininger, Chapin Hall at the University of Chicago

The Effects of State-Level Job Losses On Youth Risk Behaviors



Elizabeth Ananat, Duke University; Anna Gassman-Pines, Duke University; Christina Gibson-Davis, Duke University

Understanding Food Insecurity During the Great Recession

Kristin Butcher, Wellesley College; Patricia Anderson, Dartmouth College; Hillary Hoynes, Univ of California - Davis; Diane Schanzenbach, Northwestern University IPR

Discussant(s):  
TBD

Roundtable

**Health Insurance Exchange Implementation: What Can We Learn From European Exchanges?**  
(HEALTH) (INT)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Pratt B

Moderator:  
Katherine Swartz, Harvard University

Speakers:  
Timothy Jost, Washington and Lee University; Ewout van Ginneken, Berlin University of Technology; Joan Costa-Font, London School of Economics; Michael Borowitz, Organization for Economic Coordination and Development

Description:  
The state-based health insurance exchanges are a key component of the Affordable Care Act. Even if the ACA's individual mandate that people obtain health insurance coverage is declared unconstitutional by the U.S. Supreme Court, it is widely expected that the states and the federal government will continue to implement some form of exchanges. As called for in the ACA, the exchanges will provide a marketplace where individuals can compare and purchase health plans. In addition, they are expected to facilitate various administrative and regulatory tasks to foster competition between insurers, and thereby promote efficiency. While several federal regulations regarding the operations of exchanges have been published, states have significant latitude in an array of exchange design choices. How the states and the Federal government structure the exchanges will play a pivotal role in the success of the ACA's reforms in terms of access to health insurance and health insurance cost-containment. Exchange-type systems are not new. They are grounded in the concept of managed competition, which was first proposed by Alain Enthoven in the late 1970s. Apart from smaller scale initiatives in the US, such as the Massachusetts Health Connector and the Utah health exchange, several European countries have gathered extensive experience with managed competition since the early 1990s. In the European countries, managed competition takes place at three competitive and regulated markets, i.e. the insurance market, the purchasing market and the provision market. Much of the ACA and subsequent regulations focus on the insurance market, and consequently states have focused on

the implementation of insurance competition and setting up the exchanges. This could result in states neglecting some other key conditions for managed competition that are especially important for the long term success of the exchanges. The proposed roundtable will explore some of the key experiences with several European competitive insurance systems that rely on exchanges. Like the US, European countries are responding to slower economic growth and rising costs of health care by trying to encourage greater efficiency in their insurance and healthcare delivery systems. Lessons from the experiences with the European exchanges are not widely known in the US – but they could be extremely valuable to states weighing the effectiveness of design options for their exchanges. The roundtable discussion will be targeted and linked to the challenges faced by the states implementing insurance exchanges in the US. Panelists will be guided by topic rather than country experiences, although they will use examples from several countries and will focus on the implications of the European experiences for US health reform. The Europeans on the panel have done research on the health insurance systems and exchange-like markets in the Netherlands, Germany, Switzerland, and the U.K. At least two of the European panelists will be in the US this fall so travel expenses are not a problem.

Roundtable

**Tackling Scarcity with Research: Evidence-Based Policymaking In a World of Budget Cuts**  
(PM) (EDU)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon E

Moderator:

Jenni Owen, Duke University

Speakers:

Jon Baron, Coalition for Evidence-Based Policy; Karen Cadigan, Minnesota Office of Early Learning; Kathy Stack, Office of Management and Budget; Mindy Tarlow, Center for Employment Opportunities

Description:

The past decade – particularly the past four years – could be termed “The Golden Age of Evidence-Based Policymaking,” as both the federal government and philanthropy have invested in identifying education and social policy programs with rigorous evidence of effectiveness, in funding the continued investigation of promising programs, and in scaling up interventions with the best evidence of effectiveness. At the same time, the fiscal pressures on federal and state budgets have put the focus on being able to demonstrate cost-effectiveness and return on investment of government funding. This roundtable, the fourth in an annual series on evidence-based policymaking, will focus on two interrelated themes: what models exist for addressing the interest of policymakers in determining cost-effectiveness and how can policymakers and program developers use program evaluations to improve programs and create better performance standards. And, coming just days after the election, this roundtable will provide a political read of the future of evidence-based policymaking. This proposal stems from roundtables that we

have organized at each APPAM conference since 2009 on the major growth in attention to and use of evidence in education and social policymaking. We began in 2009 with a look at “evidence-based policymaking (EPB),” focusing on the new emphasis on EBP at the federal level and across the nation. In 2010, the panelists considered whether EBP was “for real” — as would likely be revealed by its staying power during tight budget times. Most recently, the 2011 roundtable examined the hot topic of “scaling up” evidence-based programs as a critical challenge for sustaining evidence-based work in policy and practice. This year’s roundtable participants offer a diversity of perspectives from federal and state governments and the practitioner, research, and policy advocacy communities: Jon Baron, former Congressional staffer and Defense Department official, heads the Coalition for Evidence-Based Policy and is former Chair of the National Board for Education Sciences, which oversees the Department of Education’s Institute of Education Sciences; Karen Cadigan is Director of the Minnesota Office of Early Learning, where she works to align, coordinate, and improve the statewide system for children from birth to eight years old and their families; Kathy Stack is Deputy Associate Director for Education and Human Resources, Office of Management and Budget; and Mindy Tarlow, Chief Executive Officer of the Center for Employment Opportunities, runs programs that serve more than 2,500 former prisoners a year, including a cost-effective transitional jobs program that reduces recidivism, which is being replicated as part of the federal Social Innovation Fund initiative. The moderator, Jenni Owen, a former senior policy advisor to a governor, focuses on bridging research and policy at Duke University’s Center for Child and Family Policy.

Sessions // 9:45 - 11:15

**Assessing R&D Impacts: Improving Analytical Frameworks**  
(ST) (PM)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Chesapeake

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

The Importance of Integrating Risk In Retrospective Evaluations of Research and Development  
Peter Linquiti, George Washington University

Assessing and Forecasting the Impact of Scientific Research

Antonio Sanfilippo, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory

An Explorative Study On International Research Collaboration and Its Impact On Research  
Trajectory

Li Tang, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics

Discussant(s):

TBD

**Behavioral Economics, Literacy, and Financial Decision-Making**  
(PF) (ASSET)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Jefferson

Chair:

Susan Dynarski, University of Michigan

Papers:

Small Cues Change Savings Choices

James Choi, Yale University; Emily Haisley, Barclays Bank; Jennifer Kurkoski, Google Inc.;

Cade Massey, Yale University

Information Constraints and Financial Aid Policy

Judith Scott-Clayton, Teachers College, Columbia Univ.

Assessing the Role of Information, Complexity, and Stigma On Take-up with An IRS Field Experiment

Saurabh Bhargava, Carnegie Mellon University; Day Manoli, University of Texas, Austin

Numeracy, Financial Literacy, and Financial Decision-Making

Annamaria Lusardi, George Washington University

Discussant(s):

Janet Holtzblatt, Congressional Budget Office; Shanthi Ramnath, U.S. Department of the Treasury

**Causal Evidence on College Remediation**  
(EDU)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon A

Chair:

Bridget Terry Long, Harvard University

Papers:

Evaluating Efforts to Streamline Postsecondary Remediation: The Causal Effects of the Tennessee Developmental-Course Redesign Initiative

Angela Boatman, Harvard University

An Experimental Evaluation of a Multifaceted, Long-Lasting Intervention for Community College Students

Michael Weiss, MDRC; Susan Scrivener, MDRC; Colleen Sommo, MDRC

Aligning K-12 to Postsecondary Schooling: Policies to Improve College Readiness and Success  
Michal Kurlaender, University of California, Davis; Jacob Jackson, University of California,  
Davis; Eric Grodsky, University of Minnesota; Jessica Howell, The College Board, Advocacy &  
Policy Center

Community College Remediation In North Carolina  
Charles Clotfelter, Duke University; Helen Ladd, Duke University; Clara Muschkin, Duke  
University; Jacob Vigdor, Duke University

Discussant(s):  
Jonathan Smith, The College Board - Advocacy and Policy Center

**Causes and Consequences of Working Longer**  
(AG)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Poe

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
Who Is Delaying Retirement? Accounting for the Increase In Employment At Older Ages  
Gary Burtless, Brookings Institution

Sticky Ages: Why Is Age 65 Still a Retirement Peak?  
Norma Coe, Boston College

Retirement Patterns and the Macroeconomy: Determinants of Bridge Jobs, Phased Retirement,  
and Re-Entry  
Michael Giandrea, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics; Kevin E. Cahill, Sloan Center on Aging and  
Work at Boston College

What Happens to State and Local Workers After They Retire?  
Richard Johnson, The Urban Institute

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**Consequences of the Housing Market Boom and Bust for Households**  
(HCD) (SF)

Location:  
Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon E

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:

Household Debt Dynamics: How Do Struggling Homeowners Manage Credit?  
Sewin Chan, New York University; Andrew Haughwout, Federal Reserve Bank of New York;  
Andrew Hayashi, New York University -- Furman Center; Wilbert van der Klaauw, Federal  
Reserve Bank of New York

Impact of Parental Wealth On College Enrollment and Attainment: Evidence From Housing  
Boom and Bust

Rucker Johnson, U.C. Berkeley, School of Pub Pol

Neighborhood House Price Declines, Older Adults, and Transfers to Younger Generations  
Jaclene Begley, NYU

Do Homeowners Mark to Market? Self-Reported and Market-Based Home Value Estimates  
During the Housing Cycle

Samuel Dastrup, Abt Associates; Sewin Chan, New York University; Ingrid Ellen, New York  
University; Claudia Sharygin, Urban Institute

Discussant(s):  
TBD

### **Diet, Exercise, and Obesity** (HEALTH)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Hanover A

Chair:

Kristin Butcher, Wellesley College

Papers:

The Implications of Business Cycles and Parental Indebtedness for Adolescent Obesity  
Angela Fertig, University of Georgia; Sharri Byron, Auburn University at Montgomery

The Impact of School-Level State Obesity Policies On Youth's Physical Activity, Eating Habits,  
and Self-Awareness

Venkata K Nadella, Indiana University, Bloomington; Haeil Jung, Indiana University

Does Mother's Work Lead to Child Obesity In Low-Income Families?: Evidence From the  
ECLS-K Cohort

Chaeyoung Chang, Indiana University; Haeil Jung, Indiana University

Framing the Consequences of Childhood Obesity to Shape Public Opinion

Sarah Gollust, University of Minnesota; Jeff Niederdeppe, Cornell University; Colleen L Barry, Johns Hopkins School of Public Health

Discussant(s):

David Frisvold, Emory University; Ashlesha Datar, RAND Graduate School of Policy Studies

**Diversity and Equity: Public Employment, Procurement and E-Government**  
(PM) (SE)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Pratt A

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Examining the Links Between Organizational Goal Ambiguity and Workforce Diversity  
Edmund Stazyk, American University; Jiaqi Liang, American University; Randall S. Davis, Miami University

Policy Design and Accountability Mechanisms In Minority Preference Purchasing  
Jessica Terman, UN Reno

The Determinants of Successful Diversity Management  
Zachary Oberfield, Haverford College

Beyond Efficiency and Effectiveness: Digital Divide and Equity and Fairness In E-Government  
Taesik Yun, The University of Georgia; Chan Su Jung, City University of Hong Kong; Eunju Rho, The University of Georgia

Discussant(s):

TBD

**Environmental Justice and Environmental Policy**  
(ENV) (SE)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, McKeldon

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

“Race” Versus “Class” In Environmental Justice: Using Agent-Based Modeling  
Heather Campbell, Claremont Graduate University; Adam Eckerd, Virginia Tech; Yushim Kim, Arizona State University

Environmental Equity and Management At the Firm Level

Evan Ringquist, Indiana University; Elizabeth Baldwin, Indiana University; Oral Saulter, Indiana University SPEA; Shannon Lea Watkins, Indiana University

Evaluating Federal Policies to Promote Fairness In Environmental Regulatory Enforcement

David Konisky, Georgetown University; Christopher Reenock, Florida State University

Incorporating Equity Into Decisions – Rulemaking

Ron Shadbegian, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; Ann Wolverton, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Discussant(s):

TBD

**Environmental Policy in Age of Scarcity: Outputs and Outcomes of Collaborative Environmental Management**

(ENV) (POLPROC)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Carroll

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Effectiveness of Partnerships for Collaborative Environmental Management: Lessons From the Analysis of the Organizational Life-Cycles

Mark Imperial, University of North Carolina Wilmington

Biodiversity Protection: The Impact of Stakeholder Involvement

Sebastian Tramon, University of Washington; Nives Dolsak, University of Washington

“Outsmarting” Emergent Invasive Species: Smartphone Crowdsourcing and Collaborative Environmental Management

Charles Schweik, University of Massachusetts at Amherst; Bridget Macdonald, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Goal Specificity: A Proxy Measure for Improvements In Environmental Outcomes

Jenny Biddle, School of Public Affairs, American University; Tom Koontz, Ohio State University

Discussant(s):

Timothy Hennessey, University of Rhode Island

**Frontiers of State Policy Diffusion: Constitutional Hurdles, Intergovernmental Relations &**



**Target Populations**  
(POLPROC) (SF)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Calhoun

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
The Social Construction of Target Populations and the Diffusion of Innovations  
Graeme Boushey, University of California, Irvine

A Universe At Our Fingertips: The Diffusion of Interstate Compacts Among the American States  
Sean C. Nicholson-Crotty, University of Missouri; Ann O'M. Bowman, Texas A&M; Andrew  
Karch, University of Minnesota; Neal Woods, University of South Carolina

Intergovernmental Policy Diffusion: National Influence On State Policy Adoptions  
Pamela McCann, Evans School, University of Washington; Charles L. Shipan, University of  
Michigan; Craig Volden, University of Virginia

A Hurdle to Policy Diffusion: The Impacts of Constitutional Structure On Policy Adoption  
Daniel L. Fay, University of Georgia; Jeffrey B. Wenger, University of Georgia

Discussant(s):  
Mark Rom, Georgetown University

**Innovations in Performance Management**  
(PM)

Location:  
Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon D

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
Using System Dynamics to Enhance Performance Management In Local Government  
Carmine Bianchi, University of Palermo (Italy); William Rivenbark, University of North  
Carolina at Chapel Hill

Management Innovation In Improving Response Time At Fdny  
Steven Cohen, Columbia University; William Eimicke, Columbia University

Managing for Innovation As Well As Cost Control: Challenges to Traditional Evaluation and  
Accountability Models

Geoff Plimmer, Victoria University; Nicole Brown, Martin, Jenkins and Associates Limited

311 Non-Emergency Services and Data-Driven Management

Taewoo Nam, Center for Technology in Government, University at Albany, SUNY; Theresa Pardo, Center for Technology in Government, University at Albany, SUNY

Discussant(s):

TBD

## **Mobility & Choice**

(EDU)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon B

Chair:

Gary Painter, University of Southern California

Papers:

Moving Matters: The Causal Effect of School Mobility On Student Performance

Leanna Stiefel, NYU - Wagner; Amy Schwartz, New York University

Postsecondary Educational Outcomes of Hispanic Youths In New Destinations Versus Established Destination

Rosa CHO, SungKyunKwan University

Dynamic Participation In Interdistrict Open Enrollment

Lesley Lavery, Macalester College; Deven Carlson, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Do Charter Schools “Push Out” Low-Performing Students?

Ron Zimmer, Peabody Research Institute, Vanderbilt University; Cassandra Guarino, Indiana University

Discussant(s):

Isaac McFarlin, University of Michigan/Ford School of Public Policy; Patten Mahler, University of Virginia

## **New Sources and Methods for Measuring the Recession and Recovery**

(DATA) (EMP)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Mencken

Chair:

Thomas DeLeire, University of Wisconsin - Madison

Papers:

The Secular Decline In Business Dynamism In the US

John Haltiwanger, Department of Economics, University of Maryland; Ron Jarmin, Center for Economic Studies, US Census Bureau; Javier Miranda, Center for Economic Studies, US Census Bureau

Gross Employment, Job Flows, and the Role of Education In the Great Recession

John Abowd, School of Industrial and Labor Relations, Cornell University; Lars Vilhuber, School of Industrial and Labor Relations, Cornell University

Job-to-Job Flows and the Business Cycle

Henry Hyatt, Center for Economic Studies, US Census Bureau; Erika McEntarfer, Center for Economic Studies, US Census Bureau

Export Flows and Global Shocks

Fariha Kamal, Center for Economic Studies, US Census Bureau; Cornell J Krizan, Center for Economic Studies, US Census Bureau

Discussant(s):

Sabrina Pabilonia, Bureau of Labor Statistics; Ting Zhang, Jacob France Institute, University of Baltimore

**Projections and Puzzles about Illegal Drug Markets  
(CD) (HEALTH)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Preston

Chair:

Mark Kleiman, UCLA

Papers:

Unknown Factors That Influence Cost-Benefit Analyses of Marijuana Legalization

Beau Kilmer, RAND

Contrasting Initiatives to Legalize Marijuana for Non-Medical Use

Jonathan Caulkins, Carnegie Mellon University Heinz College

Are Drug Markets Different? Examining the Consequences of Product Illegality

Peter Reuter, University of Maryland - College Park

Discussant(s):

Harold Pollack, University of Chicago

**Public and Private Safety Nets in the Recession  
(SF) (ASSET)**

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International B

Chair:  
David Johnson, U.S. Census Bureau

Papers:  
Income Instability Among the Jobless: Examining the Response of the Safety Net  
Bradley Hardy, American University

Making It Through a Recession: The Role of Social Support Networks In Fending off Hardship  
Gregory Mills, The Urban Institute; Sisi Zhang, The Urban Institute

Transitions In Living Arrangments: Shared Households, Public Safety Nets and Economic Well-Being  
Laryssa Mykyta, U.S. Census Bureau; Suzanne Macartney, U.S. Census Bureau

Unemployment and Private Safety Nets  
Natasha Pilkauskas, Columbia University

Discussant(s):  
David Ribar, University of North Carolina Greensboro; Yonatan Ben-Shalom, Mathematica  
Policy Research

### **Racial Disparities In Swimming and Drowning Rates (SE)**

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Adams

Chair:  
Samuel L. Myers, Minnesota

Papers:  
The Deadly Legacy of Swimming Pool Discrimination  
Jeff Wiltse, University of Montana

Causes and Consequences of Racial Disparities In Swimming  
Samuel L. Myers, Minnesota; Ana Cuesta, University of Minnesota

Why Should We Care about Swimming and Drowning Disparities In a Period of Austerity?  
Carol Irwin, University of Memphis

Discussant(s):  
Kenneth Mosely, South Carolina State University

**Recidivism and Return to Work for Disability Benefits Program Participants  
(DIS) (EMP)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Washington

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Program Recidivism of SSI Recipients and SSDI Beneficiaries Who Medically Improve  
Jeffrey Hemmeter, Social Security Administration; Shelley Stegman, Social Security  
Administration

The Impact of a Work-Focused Program On the Employment of SSDI Beneficiaries  
Robert Weathers, Social Security Administration; Shelley Stegman, Social Security  
Administration

Competitive Employment Outcomes of Vocational Rehabilitation

Frank Martin, Mathematica Policy Research; Richard Walls, West Virginia University; Martin  
Brodwin, California State University; Randall Parker, University of Texas at Austin; Frances  
Siu, California State University; Ed Kurata, Selfemployed

Discussant(s):

TBD

**Simulation Based Studies of Research Workforce Development  
(POLINF)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Schaefer

Chair:

Spiro Maroulis, Arizona State University

Papers:

Diversity In Research Workforce Development: National Versus International Bio-Medical  
Postdoctorates

Navid Ghaffarzadegan, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Joshua Hawley, Ohio State  
University; Anand Desai, The Ohio State University

Understanding Growth Change In the US Scientific Workforce

Antonio Sanfilippo, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory

Doubling of Annual NIH Awards From 1998 to 2003: Models for Research Workforce

Development

Mauricio Gomez Diaz, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Navid Ghaffarzadegan, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Richard C. Larson, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Policy Design for a Shrinking Workforce: The Case of Lithuania

David Wheat, University of Bergen

Discussant(s):

David F Andersen, University at Albany, State University of New York

**Society for Benefit-Cost Analysis: Beyond Compliance Costs: The Effects of Regulation On Employment (OT)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, D'Alesandro

Chair:

Susan Dudley, George Washington University

Papers:

Improving Our Understanding of the Employment Effects of Regulation: Lessons from Recent Advances in Risk Assessment Methods

Adam Finkel, University of Pennsylvania; Cary Coglianese, University of Pennsylvania Law School; Christopher Carrigan, George Washington University Trachtenberg School

The Employment and Competitiveness Impacts of Power-Sector Regulations

Joseph Aldy, Harvard University; Billy Pizer, Duke University

Employment Impacts of Environmental Regulation

Richard Morgenstern, Resources for the Future

Moving toward More Balanced, Transparent Job Impact Analysis to Inform Public Debate

Michael Livermore, New York University; Jason Schwartz, New York University

Discussant(s):

TBD

**Testing the Cost-Effectiveness of Government Regulation to Improve Workplace Safety (EMP) (METH)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Pratt B

Chair:

Ishita Sengupta, National Academy of Social Insurance

Papers:

OSHA Inspections: Measuring the Impact On Workplace Safety and Employer Competitiveness  
Matthew S. Johnson, Boston University

Experience Rating Worker's Compensation Insurance: Measuring the Safety Impact  
Frank Neuhauser, University of California, Berkeley

Is Occupational Injury Risk Higher At New Firms?  
Seth A. Seabury, RAND Corporation

Injury & Illness Prevention Programs: Deconstructing the Impact On Occupational Safety  
John Mendeloff, University of Pittsburgh RAND Corporation

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**Topics in Cost-Benefit Analysis**  
(METH)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Hopkins

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
Benefit-Cost Analysis of the Maryland Dream Act  
Tim Gindling, Department of Economics, University of Maryland Baltimore County; Marvin  
Mandell, University of Maryland, Baltimore County

The Social Discount Rate As a Function of Individuals' Time Preferences  
Mark Long, Evans School, University of Washington; Richard Zerbe, University of Washington;  
Tyler Davis, University of Washington

(Almost) Everybody Wins  
Richard Zerbe, University of Washington

Behavioral Economics and Policy Evaluation  
Timothy Brennan, University of Maryland Baltimore County

Discussant(s):  
TBD

Roundtable

## **Are Federally-Funded Teen Pregnancy Prevention Programs Effective? Current Rigorous Evaluation of Four Program Types** (CC) (HEALTH)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International A

Moderator:

Lisa Trivits, US DHHS/Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation

Speakers:

Dirk Butler, US DHHS/Administration for Children and Families; Amy Farb, US DHHS/Office of Adolescent Health; Heather Tevendale, US DHHS/Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Matthew Stagner, University of Chicago

Description:

In Federal Fiscal Year 2010, for the first time, Congress appropriated funds for comprehensive teen pregnancy prevention programs: the Teen Pregnancy Prevention (TPP) program (\$105M per annum), and the Personal Responsibility Education Program (PREP) (\$75M per annum). In a time of scarce resources, Congress dedicated three-quarters of the funds for replication of evidence-based programs. Congress also set-aside a quarter of the funds for the development and testing of new, innovative programs. Research in other program areas has demonstrated that attempts to scale up or otherwise replicate evidence-based programs can result in diminished effects (e.g. Welsh, Sullivan, and Olds, 2010). In order to determine whether replicated programs are effective, and to build the evidence-base, these new programs are accompanied by a strong emphasis on rigorous random-assignment evaluation. This roundtable will bring together three speakers and a moderator who are federal staff responsible for four large-scale rigorous evaluations in four types of teen pregnancy prevention programming: • replication and scale-up of evidence-based programs via competitive grants; • replication and scale-up of evidence-based programs via state formula grants; • innovative, new, or untested programs; and • blending of multiple evidence-based strategies in community-wide initiatives. A last speaker familiar with teen pregnancy prevention program meta-analyses will review the quality of the evaluations underway, and discuss how these evaluations will fill gaps in the evidence base and provide nuanced understanding of what is effective in teen pregnancy prevention programming. The moderator and speakers can speak to a range of issues confronted in past and current teen pregnancy prevention program evaluation, including: • With regard to rigorous evaluation: o Standards: What standards – e.g. timing of randomization; e.g. strength of program implementation – will random-assignment evaluations meet? What standards will quasi-experimental evaluations of community-wide initiatives meet? o Recruitment of sites: What challenges have been encountered in recruiting school- and community-based programs for evaluation, and how have they been resolved? o Measurement of outcomes: Which outcomes will be measured, and will they be commonly measured across evaluations? What will the timing of follow-ups be? • With regard to replication of evidence-based programs: o Design and Implementation: How have grantees and states designed and implemented their programs? o Replication and fidelity: How have grantees and states translated and enforced issues related to



replication, such as fidelity? o Comparative effectiveness: How will results be compared with others of the same program? • With regard to innovative, new, or untested programs: o Adaptations: Which types of adaptations differentiate these types of programs from the replications funded by the federal government? o Documenting new programs: How will implementation evaluation document innovations, including grantee fidelity to the new program models? • With regard to the community-wide initiatives: o Community context: How are the multi-component initiatives designed in response to the specific community context? How have communities selected components of their programs? o Design of quasi-experimental studies: Which challenges that are unique to community-level experiments has the evaluation confronted, and how have they been resolved?

Roundtable

### **Evidence of Using Collaboration to Improve Outcomes for Clients of Social Services and Workforce Agencies**

(SF) (PM)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Baltimore Theatre

Moderator:

TBD

Speakers:

Jeanette Hercik, Ph.D., ICF International; Becky Stottlemire, Faith Connections, Wilson County Department of Social Services

Description:

Participants, in this roundtable session, will learn about interoperability between government agencies and efficiencies of partnering with community organizations to more effectively serve clients in a time of economic uncertainty. The need to make critical decisions regarding spending priorities and constraints has forced organizational leadership to think creatively around program management. Research shows that a collaborative approach to serving program clients contributes to government programs effectively “doing more with less,” resulting in increased access to resources for clients during constrained times. State and local safety-net and workforce programs, including TANF, HUD, SNAP, and WIA, are closely linked and oftentimes serve the same at-risk populations. While government agencies aim to use limited funding and staff to assist clients in achieving self-sufficiency, they frequently do it alone. Given the current era of scarce public resources, these agencies have been charged with serving an influx of clients with shrinking resources. During the first part of the session, the moderator will lead a discussion on the value of government interoperability in decreasing fragmentation and compartmentalization. Safety-net experts will then discuss interoperability and integrated service models. The discussion will focus on ways government agencies with similar goals work together, share information, and respond to demands in order to reduce traditional constraints and improve functioning in order to more effectively target strategies to address client needs. The panelists will share lessons on collaboration between government agencies and private non-profits. The

roundtable will explore how a change in the provision of services through the use of collaboration leads to greater efficiencies, decreases fiscal and physical stresses on programs serving growing caseloads, and serves as an effective method of improving program efficacy in a time of economic constraint coupled with increased accountability.

Roundtable

**State Advisory Councils On Early Childhood Education and Care: The Vision and the Reality**  
(CHILD) (EDU)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Hanover B

Moderator:

Albert Wat, National Governors Association

Speakers:

Linda K. Smith, us hhs; Deanna Schexnayder, LBJ School/ Univ of Texas; Bobbie Weber, Oregon State University; Lee Kreader, NCCP/ Columbia University

Description:

The 2007 Head Start Reauthorization Act directed states to create advisory councils on early childhood education and care. The 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) included implementation funding and HHS Administration for Children and Families (ACF) awarded \$100 million to the states to establish advisory councils. The overall responsibility of the state councils is to develop or enhance a high-quality, comprehensive system of early childhood development and care across the wide range of early childhood programs and services present in each state, including child care, Head Start, IDEA, and pre-kindergarten. States make the critical decisions with general guidance from the law. Roundtable participants will discuss both the national vision for these councils and the variety of approaches states have taken. They will ground the conversation by discussing the fall 2012 ACF report on state advisory councils and sharing three very different state processes and experiences. Oregon first created a Council by governor's executive. A new governor expanded the vision for the Council and the state legislature put it in statute as a policy-making tool to prepare all children for kindergarten. Council staff report directly to the Governor. The Texas grant, administered several levels removed from political center of the state, is funding the state's most comprehensive needs assessment of early childhood education in over 40 years. The Texas Council also contracted for development of an integrated data system without first establishing governance for such a system, then later cancelled the contract and recommended that governance be addressed in the next legislative session. Created by executive order, New York's Early Childhood Advisory Council's comprehensive scope embraces early education and care, human services, social-emotional development, and health care supports and services. It is housed within the state's statutory Council on Children and Families, long established to facilitate inter-departmental coordination of health, education and human services. We are roughly at the mid-point of these grants, which is an opportune time to reflect on what we are learning from this investment. Based

on the choices that states have made to-date, what are the prospects for these grants to advance the cause of high-quality integrated early care and education policies and programs? Discussion topics will include involvement of state legislatures, goals adopted, types of activities undertaken, and involvement of various stakeholders. Participants will explore the advantages and disadvantages of different types of governance structures and the extent to which state council efforts are sustainable over time. Roundtable participants are well-positioned to discuss this topic from various viewpoints. Linda Smith is the ACF Deputy Assistant Secretary whose office administers these grants and serves as the focal point for early childhood policy at the federal level. Kreader (NY) and Weber (OR) serve on their states' early learning councils while Schexnayder is principal investigator of the Texas needs assessment, a required grant component. All three are long-time members of the HHS Child Care Policy Research Consortium. Albert Wat of the National Governor's Association has closely monitored state activities and will moderate the roundtable.

Workshop

**Linking College and Labor Market Datasets for Research On the Returns to College (EDU) (DATA)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International C

Presenter(s):

Clive Belfield, Queens College, CUNY; Thomas Bailey, Columbia University; Shanna Jaggars, Teachers College, Columbia University

Description:

This workshop will address linking college records to labor market data for research on the returns to college. Linked datasets allow for longitudinal analysis of all college students within a state system as they progress through college and then enter the labor market. Such datasets allow for research on students who do not complete college, as well as those who work and study simultaneously. This workshop will provide detailed explanations of how to create these datasets and specify key practical and empirical challenges in compiling them. The workshop will illustrate the potential advantages of these linked datasets for answering important research questions. It will also address issues such as: coverage across students and worker types; attrition of students and workers from the dataset; and linkages to other BLS or Census datasets. Examples from a state-wide system with over 180,000 students annually over the period 2001-2010 will be given.

Sessions // 1:00 - 2:30

**A Broader, Bolder Approach to Education Policy: Experimental Evidence On After-School and Summer Programming (EDU) (CHILD)**

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon D

Chair:

Karl Alexander, Johns Hopkins University

Papers:

Achieving Academic Success Outside of School: A Randomized Controlled Trial of the Higher Achievement Program

Leigh Linden, University of Texas at Austin; Carla Herrera, Public/Private Ventures; Jean Baldwin Grossman, Public/Private Ventures, Princeton University

The Effect of Incentives for Increasing Summer School Attendance: Evidence From a Field Experiment

Paco Martorell, RAND; Trey Miller, RAND Graduate School of Policy Studies; Lucrecia Santibanez, RAND; Catherine Augustine, RAND; Jennifer Sloan McCombs, RAND

The Impact of Summer Youth Employment On Academic Outcomes: Evidence From a Large-Scale Lottery

Jacob Leos-Urbel, NYU

The Equity and Effectiveness of a Market-Based Intervention for Increasing Student Achievement Under NCLB

Carolyn Heinrich, University of Texas at Austin; Patricia E. Burch, University of Southern California; Annalee G. Good, University of Wisconsin-Madison; Hiren Nisar, Abt Associates; Mary S. Stewart, University of Wisconsin-Madison; Marcus Dillender, University of Texas at Austin; Huiping Cheng, University of Wisconsin-Madison; Rudy Acosta, University of Southern California

Discussant(s):

Jennifer Steele, RAND Corporation; Mark Stein, John Hopkins University

### **Accelerating Innovation**

(ST)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Chesapeake

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

The Challenge to Science Policy of Managing Scarcity and Abundance

Caroline S. Wagner, John Glenn School of Public Affairs, The Ohio State University

How Policy and Partnerships Fit Into the Energy Innovation System

Charles Jones, Harvard Kennedy School University of Massachusetts Boston

Assessing Productivity Differences Across Topics In Federal R&D Funding  
Margaret E. Blume-Kohout, University of New Mexico; David Newman, University of California - Irvine

The Public Benefit of Public Goods: The Defense Sector, Scientific Investment, and Economic Growth  
Bruce D. McDonald, Indiana University - South Bend; Robert J. Eger, Naval Postgraduate School

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**Advancing Methods for Estimating the Causal Effects of Early Childhood Education and Care**  
(METH) (CHILD)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Hopkins

Chair:  
Camilla Heid, Westat

Papers:  
How Does the Quality of Head Start Have Differential Impacts On Children?  
Laura Peck, Abt Associates; Stephen Bell, Abt Associates Inc.

Head Start or Other Child Care Arrangements? Impact On Head Start-Eligible Children  
Fuhua Zhai, SUNY Stony Brook University; Jeanne Brooks-Gunn, Columbia University; Jane Waldfogel, Columbia University

The Impact of Non-Parental Child Care On Child Development: Evidence From the Summer Participation “Dip”  
Chris M. Herbst, Arizona State University

Discussant(s):  
Jennifer Brooks, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation, Division of Child and Family Development; Pamela Morris, New York University

**Citizen Involvement in Public Goods: Contributing, Volunteering and Co-Production**  
(PM)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Pratt A

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:

Does Giving to Charity Lead to Better Health? Evidence From Tax Subsidies for Charitable Giving

Baris Yoruk, SUNY-Albany

No Longer Unmeasurable: A Framework for Assessing Volunteer Program Effectiveness

Rebecca Nesbit, University of North Carolina at Charlotte; Jeffrey L. Brudney, Cleveland State University; Robert K. Christensen, University of Georgia

Activating Collective Co-Production Mechanisms for Public Services: Influencing Citizens to Participate In Complex Governance

Tony Bovaird, School of Government and Society University of Birmingham; Gerry Stoker, University of Southampton; Pat Jones, University of Birmingham

Who Signals Virtue? Charity Decisions to Join Voluntary Regulation Programs

Mary Kay Gugerty, University of Washington; Yuta Masuda, University of Washington; Aseem Prakash, University of Washington

Discussant(s):

TBD

### **Exploring the Effects of Expanding Health Care Coverage (HEALTH) (SF)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Pratt B

Chair:

Robert Kaestner, University of Illinois, Chicago

Papers:

Early Effects of the ACA On Insurance Outcomes: Evidence From the 2010 Dependent Coverage Mandate

Yaa Akosa Antwi, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis; Asako Moriya, Indiana University; Kosali Simon, Indiana University

Mandating Prescription Contraception Coverage: The Effects On Contraceptive Consumption, Fertility, and Sexual Health

Leonard Lopoo, Syracuse University; Kerri Raissian, Syracuse University

An Early Look At the Preventive Care Provisions In the Affordable Care Act

Stacey McMorro, Urban Institute; Genevieve Kenney, The Urban Institute

The Impact of Universal Coverage On Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening: Evidence From Massachusetts

Lindsay Sabik, Virginia Commonwealth University; Cathy Bradley, Virginia Commonwealth University

Discussant(s):

Ted Joyce, Baruch College (City University of New York); Melissa Kearney, University of Maryland - College Park

**Five Years In Milwaukee: Final Evidence From a Study of the Nation's Oldest Voucher Program**

(EDU) (PF)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Hanover A

Chair:

Patrick Wolf, University of Arkansas

Papers:

School Choice and Special Education

David Fleming, Furman University

Public Oversight of Private Provision of a Public Good

Joshua Cowen, University of Kentucky

School Vouchers and Student Outcomes

John Witte, La Follette School of Public Affairs, University of Wisconsin-Madison

The Fiscal Impact of the Milwaukee Parental Choice Program, 1993-2011

Robert Costrell, University of Arkansas

Discussant(s):

William Howell, University of Chicago; Martin R West, Harvard University

**Housing and Child Well-Being**

(HCD) (CHILD)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Mencken

Chair:

Paul Graziano, Housing Authority of Baltimore City and Baltimore Department of Housing and Community Development, Housing Commissioner

Papers:

Profiles of Housing Characteristics Among Low-Income Urban Families  
Rebekah Levine Coley, Boston College; Melissa Kull, Boston College; Tama Leventhal, Tufts University; Alicia Doyle Lynch, Boston College

The Impact of Housing On the Wellbeing of Children and Youth  
Donald Haurin, Ohio State University; David Blau, Ohio State University

Housing Affordability and Child Well-Being  
Sandra Newman, Johns Hopkins University; C. Scott Holupka, Johns Hopkins University

Discussant(s):  
Pamela Morris, New York University

**Interventions for Infants and Toddlers: New Findings and Future Directions**  
(CHILD)

Location:  
Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon B

Chair:  
Kimberly Boller, Mathematica Policy Research

Papers:  
A National Study of Early Head Start Programs, Services, and Quality: Findings From Baby FACES  
Cheri Vogel, Mathematica Policy Research; Pia Caronongan, Mathematica Policy Research;  
Jaime Thomas, Mathematica Policy Research; Yange Xue, Mathematica Policy Research;  
Kimberly Boller, Mathematica Policy Research

Evaluation of the Program for Infant and Toddler Care (PITC)  
Johannes Bos, American Institutes for Research; Aletha Huston, University of Texas at Austin;  
Phyllis Weinstock, Berkeley Policy Associates

The Case for Starting with Infants and Toddlers: Evidence From the Educare Implementation Study  
Noreen Yazejian, Frank Porter Graham Child Development Institute, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; Donna Bryant, Frank Porter Graham Child Development Institute, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Early Intervention and Middle Childhood Outcomes: Analyzing the Impact Channels In the Nurse Family Partnership  
Maria Fernanda Rosales, University of Chicago; James Heckman, University of Chicago;  
Margaret Holland, University of Rochester; David L. Olds, University of Colorado Denver;  
Rodrigo Pinto, University of Chicago

Discussant(s):



Kathleen McCartney, Harvard Graduate School of Education; Deborah Phillips, Georgetown University/Department of Psychology

**Maximizing Classroom Coaching to Strengthen Teaching Quality: How Is Dosage Linked to Outcomes?**

(CC) (EMP)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Adams

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Context Matters: Understanding Early Childhood Classroom Consultation In Two Urban Cities  
Chrishana M. Lloyd, MDRC; Nicole M. Leacock, MDRC

Using Reduced-Intensity Coaching Supports to Improve Language Learning In Preschool Classrooms

Laura Justice, The Ohio State University; Sonia Q. Cabell, University of Virginia; Shayne Piasta, The Ohio State University

Job-Embedded Coaching: Results From Three Randomized Controlled Trials In Diverse Early Childhood Education Settings

Sharon Landesman Ramey, Virginia Tech; Nancy Crowell, Georgetown University; Cathy Grace, Children's Defense Fund; Louise Davis, Mississippi State University; Craig Ramey, Virginia Tech

Discussant(s):

TBD

**Public Employee Motivation, Selection and Behavior**

(PM)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, McKeldon

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

The Chicken or the Egg? Individuals' Risk Preferences and Job Choices

Hsiang-Kai Dennis Dong, The University of Georgia; David Bradford, The University of Georgia

Exploring Individual, Situational and Organizational Determinants of Decisions to Disclose

Wrongdoing In Public Organizations

Cecilia F. Lavena, Rutgers University, School of Public Affairs and Administration/ Doctoral Student

Leaving Federal Employment: Does More Money Matter?

Laura Langbein, American University

Patterns and Trends of Institutional Conformity In Government Agencies –Focused On Public Information Disclosure Law

MyoungJin Lee, Yonsei University; M. Jae Moon, Yonsei University

Discussant(s):

TBD

**Public Sector Pensions: Understanding the Rules and Size of the Problem**

(PF) (AG)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Jefferson

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

When Bubbles Pop: Investment Risk and Public Pension Financing

Vladimir Kogan, University of California, San Diego

The Politics of Pension Funding: Do States Target a Funding Ratio of Less Than 100%?

Travis St.Clair, Northwestern University

"Gasb Won't Let Me": A False Objection to Public Pension Reform

Robert Costrell, George W. Bush Institute, Southern Methodist University University of Arkansas

Benefit Enhancements to Educator Pension Plans and Their Consequences for Teacher Recruitment and School Staffing

Cory Koedel, University of Missouri-Columbia; Shawn Ni, University of Missouri-Columbia;

Michael Podgursky, University of Missouri-Columbia

Discussant(s):

TBD

**School Context: Size, Gender, Race and Behavior**

(EDU)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Carroll

Chair:

Robert Bifulco, Syracuse University

Papers:

Making the Grade: The Impact of Classroom Behavior on Academic Achievement

Kalena Cortes, Texas A&M University; Wael Moussa, Syracuse University; Jeffrey Weinstein, Syracuse University

Wake County Public School Income-Based School-Assignment Policies Associated with Ethnic Diversity and Reduced Achievement Gaps

M. Monique McMillian, Duke University Fayetteville State University; Sarah Fuller, Duke University; William Darity, Duke University

Happy and Healthy In Small Schools?: The Impact of Small High Schools On Non-Academic Outcomes

Jessica Boccardo, NYU - Wagner; Amy Schwartz, New York University; Leanna Stiefel, NYU - Wagner; Matt Wiswall, New York University

Are Single-Sex Classrooms Effective? Evidence From New Title IX Regulations

Patten Mahler, University of Virginia; Thomas Dee, University of Virginia

Discussant(s):

Peter Hinrichs, Georgetown University

**TANF: Connected and Disconnected Families**  
(SF)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon A

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

The Impact of Local Economic Factors and State Welfare Rules On Disconnected Single Mothers

Andrea Hetling, Rutgers University - New Brunswick

Does the Analysis of Administrative Data Support National Analyses of "Disconnected" Former TANF Recipients ?

Swati Desai, Rockefeller Institute of Government; Angela K. Sheehan, Deputy Commissioner, NYC Human Resources Administration

Transfer Program Receipt In the Great Recession

Bruce Meyer, University of Chicago; Nikolas Mittag, University of Chicago

Rock Around the Clock: State Use of TANF Time Limit Exemptions and Extensions  
Karen Baehler, American University, School of Public Affairs; Andrew Breza, American University, School of Public Affairs

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**Tax and Labeling Policies to Reduce Consumption of Unhealthy Food and Beverages (HEALTH)**

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International D

Chair:  
Steve Teret, Johns Hopkins School of Public Health

Papers:  
News Coverage of Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Taxes: Pro- and Anti-Tax Arguments In Public Discourse  
Jeff Niederdeppe, Cornell University; Sarah Gollust, University of Minnesota; Marian Jarlenski, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health; Ashley Nathanson, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health; Colleen L Barry, Johns Hopkins School of Public Health

Framing the Debate Over Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Taxes: Results From a 2011 National Public Opinion Survey  
Colleen L Barry, Johns Hopkins School of Public Health

Reduction In Purchases of Ssbs Among Low Income, Black Adolescents After Exposure to Caloric Information  
Sara Bleich, Johns Hopkins School of Public Health

Taxing and Labeling Unhealthy Food: The Influence On Purchases  
Brian Elbel, NYU School of Medicine and NYU Wagner School of Public Service

Discussant(s):  
Amy Jordan, Annenberg Public Policy at the University of Pennsylvania

**Tax Time's Golden Opportunity: How Policy Can Leverage Tax Time to Bolster Savings (SF) (ASSET)**

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Schaefer

Chair:

Amy Brown, Ford Foundation

Papers:

The Evolution of the Tax Time Moment: Assets, Opportunities, and Barriers  
David Rothstein, Policy Matters Ohio; Rachel Black, New America Foundation

Tax Refunds and Mental Accounting: Policy Implications of Over and Under Estimating Lump Sum Payments

J. Michael Collins, University of Wisconsin; Nilton Porto, University of Wisconsin-Madison; Justin Sydnor, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Refund to Savings: Exploring the Intersection of Behavioral Economics and Asset Building At Tax Time

Michal Grinstein-Weiss, University of North Carolina; Dan Ariely, Duke University; Clinton Key, University of North Carolina

Prepaid Cards At Tax Time: Findings From the *Myaccountcard Pilot*

Caroline Ratcliffe, The Urban Institute; William Congdon, The Brookings Institution; Signe-Mary McKernan, The Urban Institute

Discussant(s):

Ray Boshara, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis

**The Whole Is Greater Than the Sum of Its Parts: Mixed Methods Educational Policy Research (EDU) (METH)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International C

Chair:

Stefanie DeLuca, Johns Hopkins University

Papers:

Mentoring to Prevent Truancy In Chicago: Early Results From a Mixed Methods Process Evaluation

Mimi Engel, Vanderbilt University; Amy Claessens, University of Chicago

Using Mixed Methods to Understand the Impact of the Balanced Leadership Program On Student Achievement

Robin Tepper Jacob, University of Michigan; Roger Goddard, Texas A&M University; Minjung Kim, Texas A&M University; Robert Miller, Texas A&M University

What Effective Principals Do: Longitudinal Evidence From School Leader Observations

Jason Grissom, Vanderbilt University; Susanna Loeb, Stanford University

Using Mixed Methods to Identify and Scale up Effective High School Practices  
Thomas Smith, Vanderbilt University

Discussant(s):

Beth Gamse, Abt Associates Inc.; Carolyn Sattin-Bajaj, Seton Hall University

**Unconventional Instruments in Environmental and Energy Policy**  
(ENV)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Poe

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Mobilizing the Private Sector: Quantity-Performance Instruments for Public Climate Funds  
Arunabha Ghosh, Council on Energy, Environment and Water; Benito Müller, Oxford Institute  
for Energy Studies; Billy Pizer, Duke University; Gernot Wagner, Environmental Defense Fund  
Columbia University School of International and Public Affairs

Environmental Governance through Supply Chain Management: The Semiconductor Industry as  
a Case Study

Daniel Fiorino, American University; Manjyot Bhan, American University

Energy and the Public Purse: Public and Private Actors in the Federal Procurement System  
Margaret Taylor, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory; Sydney Fujita, Lawrence Berkeley  
National Laboratory; Chris Payne, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory; Andrew Weber,  
Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory

Estimates of the Value of Information Externalities In Oil and Gas Exploration

Owen Paul Kearney, U.S. Department of the Treasury

Discussant(s):

TBD

**Unemployment Insurance and the Long-Term Unemployed**  
(EMP)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Baltimore Theatre

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Unemployment Insurance and Job Search In the Great Recession  
Jesse Rothstein, University of California - Berkeley

The Effect of Unemployment Insurance Extensions On Reemployment Wages  
Johannes F Schmieder, Boston University; Till Von Wachter, Columbia University; Stefan  
Bender, Institut fur Arbeitsmarkt und Berufsforschung

The Impact of Unemployment Insurance Extensions On Disability Insurance Application and  
Allowance Rates  
Matthew S. Rutledge, Boston College

Economic Circumstances of Individuals Who Exhausted U.I. Benefits  
Gale Harris, U.S. Government Accountability Office; Rhiannon Claire Patterson, U.S.  
Government Accountability Office; Yunsian Tai, U.S. Government Accountability Office

Discussant(s):  
TBD

### **Urban Land Use Regulation and Policy** (HCD)

Location:  
Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Hanover B

Chair:  
Virginia McConnell, University of Maryland, Baltimore County University of Maryland,  
Baltimore County

Papers:  
The Economic Impacts of Eminent Domain  
Daniel Chen, Duke University; Susan Yeh, University of Pennsylvania

Why Are Big Box Stores Moving Downtown?  
Jenny Schuetz, University of Southern California

The Market for Transferable Development Rights In New York City  
Vicki Been, New York University; John Infranca, Furman Center for Real Estate and Urban  
Policy; Josiah Madar, Furman Center for Real Estate and Urban Policy

What's the Holdup? An Empirical Analysis of the Land Assembly Problem  
Michael Gedal, New York University

Discussant(s):  
Gerrit Knaap, University of Maryland; John Thomas, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Roundtable

## **Public Management Strategies for Managing Budget Cuts within a Political Framework (POLPROC) (PM)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Calhoun

Moderator:

Mark Pisano, National Academy of Public Administration and USC

Speakers:

Paul Posner, George Mason University; Gloria Rubio-Cortes, National Civic League; Shui Yan Tang, University of Southern California

Description:

Research Problem and Theoretical Framework: Across the local, state, and federal levels of government are there public management strategies that emerge at each level to address the varied fiscal challenges triggered by factors that are beyond their immediate control? The panel will draw on a range of case study research at the local, county, state, and federal levels to discuss the following: First, how does democracy deal with a fiscal environment that is fundamentally different than in past centuries? How to account for the current context of turbulence with the following challenges: 1) fiscal stresses; 2) past successes that create higher set of new expectations; 3) great individual choice and access to information greater; 4) globalization. Second, how to address the three “E’s”: Equity, efficiency, environment. Third, how to move collective bargaining from the potential for a zero sum game and to a fundamental shift in accepting budgets as limited. Fourth, can fiscal sustainability emerge in a constitutional democracy? What are the problems sets noted by deTocqueville and the Madisonian concept of the tyranny of majority? How to get at current pathology in pensions? How to move beyond “magical thinking “ problem of electorate (Korey, 2011) and “free lunch” problem of electorate (Chapman, 2010)? Fifth, at the institutional level how to move off path dependency? What does institutional change look like?

Roundtable

## **Reimagining America's Skills Investments (EMP) (EDU)**

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon E

Moderator:

Larry A. Good, Corporation for a Skilled Workforce/Chair

Speakers:

Carl Van Horn, Rutgers University - New Brunswick; Christopher King, Ray Marshall Center, Univ of TX at Austi



Description:

Reimagining America's Skills Investments America lacks a clear and shared social compact about the investments required in skills development, income and social supports, and labor market intermediation for adult workers. Current laws and policy/program frameworks were crafted in a very different era, and today are fragmented, largely outdated, and dying for lack of political support in an era of significant constraints on public funding. At the same time, the norms in industry investment in their workers, which were set in an economy dominated by large firms with mostly stable internal labor markets and long-term employer/employee relationships, also do not fit the rapidly shifting realities of a new century. As a nation, we should stop attempting to patch together remnants of the old policy apparatus and instead reimagine the entire proposition. We propose to hold a roundtable in which roundtable members will lead attendees through a highly interactive discussion about choices for public policy regarding workforce development if it is reimagined. Roundtable members will a) discuss the global economic and policy trends that are the context for rethinking U.S. approaches to development of skills and supports for adult learners/workers, b) summarize what of relevance can be learned from research to inform policy choices, and then c) will frame several policy options that would be viable within this context and capable of producing effective results. During each of these topic segments, the moderator will engage audience members with focused questions designed to provoke good input. The intent is for the roundtable to feel like a guided full-room reflection upon and discussion about choices for fully reframing workforce policy. This work is timely given Congressional debate about the future of federal workforce funding, urgent needs for increased workforce skills being identified by both researchers and industries, and the lack of consensus on public policy in this field.

Roundtable

**What Would Consensus Be On National Standards for Workers' Compensation In the 21st Century?**

(DIS)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Washington

Moderator:

Ishita Sengupta, National Academy of Social Insurance

Speakers:

John F. Burton, Jr., Professor Emeritus, Rutgers and Cornell University; John W. Ruser, BLS; Frank Neuhauser, University of California, Berkeley

Description:

On the eve of the 40th Anniversary of the report to the National Commission on State Workmen's Compensation Laws (NCSWCL), this roundtable discusses the first steps in reconvening a new national commission. What kind of consensus there might be on best practice in constructing a workers' compensation system? What are the important issues now, which were

not of importance 40 years ago? What are the issues in occupational injuries which are relevant in today's world which needs to be addressed in the new commission? The roundtable would also focus discussion on how the issues of permanent and temporary disability benefits have evolved since 1972, and how compensability has changed? The Chairman of the Commission on NCSWCL, John Burton would be leading the discussion on successes and the failures of the report. Frank Neuhauser and John Ruser would be leading the discussion on what the new commission should be involved in. Ishita Sengupta would be moderating the session. The National Commission on State Workmen's Compensation Laws (Commission) submitted its Report to the President and Congress in 1972. A year of hearings and meetings resulted in surprises. The Commission concluded that state workers' compensation programs were "in general, inadequate and inequitable." The Commission unanimously endorsed Federal standards if the states did not comply with the essential recommendations. The threat of Federal standards induced many states to significantly improve their laws in the 1970s. However, with the election of President Regan in 1980, the threat of Federal intervention evaporated. States maintained their programs through the 1980s, but since 1990 workers' compensation programs have regressed. Was the improvement of laws in the 1970s an aberration? Is the state-controlled workers' compensation system now in a downward spiral that eventually will self-destruct? John Ruser will focus his discussion on the nature of work and the employment relationship between employers and workers has changed substantially since the National Commission on State Workmen's Compensation issued its report 40 years ago. Workers are more likely to be self-employed, to be leased from one employer to another, to work in a more flexible work environment or otherwise to be less firmly attached to a fixed worksite. These changes in work relationship and injuries create challenges for workers' compensation insurance that were not necessarily envisioned when the previous National Commission issued its report. Frank Neuhauser will be discussing on what would consensus be on national standards for workers' compensation in the 21st century? Since the last National Commission on Workers' Compensation, the landscape of occupational injuries and workers' compensation systems has changed dramatically. Non-occupational health insurance, only inconsistently available in the 1970s is slated to be near universal if ACA is upheld by the Supreme Court potentially eliminating medical treatment from workers' compensation insurance coverage. Temporary disability compensation has become much more uniform across states, but permanent disability compensation remains very dissimilar and needs to be addressed, something that is now possible given the numerous wage loss studies of the past decade. Ishita Sengupta will be moderating the session.

Roundtable

### **Whither FHA and Housing Finance for Lower Income Households (HCD)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International E

Moderator:

Mark Willis, NYU Furman Center for Real Estate and Urban Policy

#### Speakers:

Sarah Wartell, Urban Institute; Robert Van Order, George Washington University; William C. Apgar, Joint Center for Housing Studies, Harvard; John Weicher, Hudson Institute

#### Description:

The Roundtable offers an opportunity to engage a larger audience on what role the Federal Housing Administration should play in the national housing finance system going forward. This is a topic of critical importance to ensure that affordable housing is available at all income levels. Helping to motivate this discussion will be a panel of experts with deep experience and knowledge of the FHA (note: all are available on Friday the 9th). While most, if not all, of the current proposals for reform of the housing finance system contemplate the FHA's continued involvement in both the single-family and multifamily housing markets, they fail to grapple in any detail with three key issues: what part or parts of the housing market should it serve, how should it serve them, and what structural and organizational changes might be appropriate to increase its efficiency and effectiveness (e.g., should it be transformed into a wholly owned government corporation). Supporters of the continuation of the FHA generally acknowledge that it plays an important role in the provision of housing affordable to lower income families and households. They also acknowledge the critical counter-cyclical role the FHA played when mortgage originations that relied solely on the private sector all but disappeared with the onset of the financial crisis and the decline in housing prices (when the private sector withdrew, the FHA scaled up to undergird over half of the purchased-money mortgage market). Others also see support for the continued existence of the FHA as an excuse to free the private sector from any obligation to serve the lower income housing market. For some, this point of view is motivated by a belief that it was too much to expect private sector corporations such as Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac to be able to address simultaneously both a profit making mission and a social one. Similarly motivated by the experience with Fannie and Freddie is a desire to have any subsidies explicitly recognized on the federal budget, unlike the case where there was no explicit backing by the government of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and yet, in the end, the taxpayers were left holding the bag. The Roundtable will examine such important details as: Should the caps on the size of mortgages that the FHA can insure be brought back down to pre-crisis levels? Are there additional or alternative ways to limit FHA's market share? How should we deal with the tradeoffs inherent in trying to expand access to mortgage financing and the assumption of risks that could either drive the insurance fee too high or require a government subsidy (it is interesting to note that, to date, the FHA has been self-funding and has not needed taxpayer assistance)? How broad a market should the FHA be allowed to serve in order to maintain the solvency of its insurance fund? Would a different type of organizational structure and legislative oversight allow it to be more responsive to the needs and opportunities in the marketplace? Etc.

#### Workshop

#### **Improving Implementation and Achieving Greater Outcomes Through Improved Fidelity—Lessons From the Field**

(SF) (METH)

#### Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Preston

Presenter(s):

Yvette Lamb, Ph.D., ICF International; Nanette Antwi-Donkor, M.P.P., ICF International;  
Dominic Modicamore, M.A., ICF International

Description:

Evidence-informed practice and program fidelity has taken on a renewed importance among programs serving Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) recipients and low-income populations seeking to continue to operate and provide necessary services during a period of austerity. These programs are required to collect and report certain data about their clients to maintain funding, but those data are often not used strategically to ensure that program components are aligned with the goals of the program, to document program, or to drive performance. Notwithstanding this challenge, the degree to which a program strategy is delivered as intended and implemented successfully is vitally important to program success. Utilizing various data-sets to inform implementation and practice is a major component of the possible building of an effective evidence-informed program structure in programs that serve TANF and low-income populations. A cross-section of 10 sites that promote services (i.e., transportation, career pathways, subsidized employment, and workforce development) have been engaged in a learning laboratory focused on ways to better collect, analyze, and utilize various program and client data-sets to inform practice and to re-align program components with the original intent of the program models being implemented. Based on an analysis of the lessons learned from these sites, the presenters will discuss the steps to effective data collection, analysis, and utilization to inform improved program implementation and practice among TANF stakeholders. Using information collected from the nine-month initiative, the presenters will discuss a preliminary conceptual framework for improving program fidelity and implementation and engage attendees in additional discussions on the value of data for increasing evidence-informed program practices. This workshop will also focus on emerging methodologies assisting service delivery sites for aligning implementation to the goals and theory of a program, the importance of data, and potential results—including greater return on investment.

Detailed Schedule // Saturday, November 10

Sessions // 8:30 - 10:00

**Affordable Housing and the Suburbanization of Poverty: Understanding the Links  
(HCD) (SE)**

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon B

Chair:

Michael Stoll, University of California - Los Angeles

Papers:

Upward Mobility? Classifying Suburban Poverty

Christa Lee-Chuvala, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

The Suburbanization of Poverty: Trends In Metropolitan America, 2000 to 2010  
Elizabeth Kneebone, Brookings Institution

Job Access to Federally Subsidized Affordable Housing  
Michael Lens, University of California Los Angeles

An Examination of Foreclosure Rates and the Suburbanization of Voucher Recipients  
Kenya Covington, California State University, Northridge

Discussant(s):  
Katherine O'Regan, NYU Wagner; Keren Horn, New York University

**Beyond Borders: Global Science and Technology Policy**  
(ST) (INT)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Chesapeake

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
International Cooperation On Climate Monitoring Via Satellite: Quantitative Analysis  
Mariel M. Borowitz, University of Maryland

Developing International Research Collaborations: Findings From the Evaluation of the  
International Research Fellowship Program  
Alina Martinez, Abt Associates Inc.; Carter Epstein, Abt Associates Inc.; Amanda Parsad, Abt  
Associates Inc.

Explaining Institutional Effects On Research Performance Via Material-Sharing: A Path  
Analysis of Non-Plant Genetic Research  
Eunjung Shin, University of Illinois at Chicago; Eric Welch, University of Illinois at Chicago

Innovation without Novelty: The Structural and Institutional Roots of China's Mobilephone  
Handset Industry's Innovation Patterns  
Li Tang, Shanghai University of Finance and Economics Shanghai University of Finance and  
Economics; Michael Murphree, Georgia Institute of Technology; Dan Breznitz, Georgia Institute  
of Technology

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**Beyond Charter School Impact Evaluation: Next Steps In Investigating Charter School  
Effectiveness**  
(EDU)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon A

Chair:

Scott Imberman, Michigan State University

Papers:

Teaching to the Student: Charter School Effectiveness In Spite of Perverse Incentives  
Sarah Cohodes, Harvard University

Can Charter Schools Close Boston's Achievement Gap? Predicting the Effects of Charter  
Expansion  
Christopher Walters, MIT

The Long Term Impact of the Harlem Children's Zone  
Will Dobbie, Harvard University; Roland Fryer, Harvard University

National Evaluation of Kipp Middle Schools: Impacts On Achievement and Other Student  
Outcomes  
Alexandra Resch, Mathematica Policy Research; Brian Gill, Mathematica Policy Research; Ira  
Nichols-Barrer, Mathematica Policy Research; Phil Gleason, Mathematica Policy Research;  
Christina Tuttle, Mathematica Policy Research

Discussant(s):

Susan Dynarski, University of Michigan; Robert Bifulco, Syracuse University

**Challenges of Performance Management  
(PM)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International B

Chair:

Beth Blauer, Office of the Governor of Maryland

Papers:

Designing for Capacity: Performance Management As a Performance Management Challenge  
Juliet Musso, University of Southern California; Christopher Weare, University of Southern  
California

“the Measured City: Reforming the New York Mayor's Management Report After Three  
Decades In Operation”

Dennis Smith, New York University; Jeff Tryens, Mayor's Office of Operations, New York City

“Accountability, Performance Management, and the Nonprofit Sector”

Steven Smith, Georgetown University

The Multiple Dimensions of Pay for Performance: Twenty Design Questions and Their Implications

Robert Behn, Harvard University

Discussant(s):

Tony Bovaird, School of Government and Society University of Birmingham

**Child Care Access and Stability Among Low-Income Families**  
(CHILD)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Hopkins

Chair:

Kristin Seefeldt, Indiana University

Papers:

When Mothers Take Childcare Subsidies and Go to Work: Are They Harming Their Children?

Wladimir Zanoni, Chapin Hall at The University of Chicago

Do Child Care Subsidies Increase Employment Among Low-Income Mothers?

Elizabeth Davis, University of Minnesota; Caroline Carlin, University of Minnesota; Nicole Forry, Child Trends, Inc; Caroline Krafft, University of Minnesota

Child Care Subsidy Use and Child Care (In)Stability: Evidence From Illinois

Amy Claessens, University of Chicago; Alejandra Ros, University of Chicago; Julia Henly, University of Chicago

Child Care Subsidies and Child Care Choices: What Role Does Household Structure Play?

Anna Markowitz, Georgetown University; Rebecca Ryan, Georgetown University; Anna Johnson, Georgetown University

Discussant(s):

Gina Adams, The Urban Institute

**Childhood Hunger In the United States**  
(SF) (CHILD)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon D

Chair:

James P Ziliak, University of Kentucky

Papers:

Food Hardships In the Low Income Population: Child-Focused Evidence From the Three City Study

Robert Moffitt, Johns Hopkins University

Understanding Very Low Food Security Among Children In the U.S

Neeraj Kaushal, Columbia University

Nonresident Fathers' Involvement and Welfare Policies: Impacts On Childhood Hunger

Steven Garasky, IMPAQ International; Daniel Miller, Boston University School of Social Work;

Lenna Nepomnyaschy, Rutgers University; Gabriel Lara-Ibarra, IMPAQ International

Discussant(s):

Thomas DeLeire, University of Wisconsin - Madison; Ariel Kalil, University of Chicago

**Confronting Challenges of Evaluation Designs That Consider “What Works Best for Whom?”**

(EMP) (METH)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Washington

Chair:

Seth Chamberlain, Administration for Children and Families

Papers:

New Evaluation Design Options for Assessing the Effectiveness of Job Search

Laura Peck, Abt Associates; Stephen Bell, Abt Associates Inc.

Causal Mediation Analysis, with Application to Job Search Intervention

Kosuke Imai, Princeton University; Luke Keele, Penn State University; Dustin Tingley, Harvard University

Using An Innovative “Continuous Quality Improvement” Approach to Evaluating Social Programs

Jacob Klerman, Abt Associates Inc.

Discussant(s):

Demetra Nightingale, Department of Labor; Jeffrey Smith, University of Michigan

**Effects of Public Health Insurance Expansions: Participation, Crowd-Out, and Labor Supply**

(HEALTH) (SF)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Hall of Fame



Chair:

Jim Baumgardner, Congressional Budget Office

Papers:

Estimating Heterogeneous Take-up and Crowd-Out Responses to Current Medicaid Limits and Their Nonmarginal Expansions

John Ham, University of Maryland; Serkan Ozbeklik, Claremont McKenna College; Lara Shore-Sheppard, Williams College

Participation and Crowd Out: Assessing the Effects of Parental Medicaid Expansions

Sarah Hamersma, University of Florida; Matthew Kim, University of St. Thomas

The Effect of Public Insurance On the Labor Supply of Childless Adults

Thomas DeLeire, University of Wisconsin - Madison; Laura Dague, Texas A & M University;

Lindsey Leininger, Chapin Hall at the University of Chicago

Dynamic Opting-In Incentives In Income-Tested Social Programs: Evidence From Medicaid/Chip

Zhuan Pei, Upjohn Institute for Employment Research

Discussant(s):

Thomas Buchmueller, University of Michigan; Timothy Moore, George Washington University

**Emphasizing Evidence-Based Programs for Children and Youth: An Examination of Policy Issues and Practice Dilemmas**

(METH)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International E

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

The Importance of Quality Implementation for Research, Practice and Policy

Rose Ann Renteria, Child Trends, Inc.

Core Intervention Components: Identifying and Operationalizing “What Works”

Diana F. McCallum, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Tools for Development, Adaptation, and Innovation to Address Human Behavioral Problems

Kristin A. Moore, Child Trends, Inc

Discussant(s):

Robert Granger, William T. Grant Foundation

**Evaluating Express Lane Eligibility**  
(HEALTH) (CHILD)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Mencken

Chair:

Milda Aksamitauskas, State of Wisconsin

Papers:

More with Less: Express Lane Eligibility's Potential to Improve Administrative Efficiency  
Margaret Colby, Mathematica Policy Research; Adam Swinburn, Mathematica Policy Research;  
Sean Orzol, Mathematica Policy Research

Expanding Coverage Using Express Lane Eligibility: Analysis of Administrative Data From Five States

Sean Orzol, Mathematica Policy Research; Adam Swinburn, Mathematica Policy Research;  
Margaret Colby, Mathematica Policy Research

The Effects of Express Lane Eligibility On Enrollment: Analysis of the Statistical Enrollment Data System

Fredric Blavin, The Urban Institute; Genevieve Kenney, The Urban Institute; Michael Huntress, The Urban Institute

Discussant(s):

Thomas Buchmueller, University of Michigan

**Financial Capability and Public Policy**  
(SF) (ASSET)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Schaefer

Chair:

Beadsie Woo, The Annie E. Casey Foundation

Papers:

Building Assets or Debt? Do First Time Homebuyers Know the Difference and Does It Matter?  
Stephanie Moulton, John Glenn School of Public Affairs, The Ohio State University; Caezilia Loibl, The Ohio State University; Anya Savikhin, The University of Chicago

Emergency Savings and Household Outcomes

Leah M. Gjertson, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Financial Capability Metrics

Jodi Jacobson, University of Maryland School of Social Work

Adult Financial Capability: Combining Transactional Accounts and Financial Advice for Low-Income Individuals

J. Michael Collins, University of Wisconsin

Discussant(s):

Irene Skricki, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau

**Fiscal Competition with Multiple Levels of Government**  
(PF)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Jefferson

Chair:

William Hoyt, University of Kentucky

Papers:

Competition for Tax Revenues: Feds Versus States; States Versus Cities

Howard Chernick, Hunter College, City University of New York

Inter-Federation Competition: Sales Tax Externalities with Multiple Federations

David Agrawal, University of Georgia

An Empirical Investigation Into the Existence of the Flypaper Effect In a Fiscal Interactive Environment

James W Saunoris, Eastern Michigan University

Death After Egtrra: Examining Responses to the Repeal of the State Death Tax Credit

Sarah Burns, University of Kentucky

Discussant(s):

Michael Keen, International Monetary Fund

**Foreclosures and Externalities**  
(HCD)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Preston

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Foreclosure Externalities: Some New Evidence

Kristopher Gerardi, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta; Eric Rosenblatt, Fannie Mae; Paul Willen, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston; Vincent Yao, Fannie Mae

Homeowner Distress, House Price Declines and the Role of Homeowners' Associations  
Rachel Meltzer, The New School; Ron Cheung, Oberlin College; Chris Cunningham, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta

What's Really Happening to the Reo Stock? An Analysis of Three Cities  
Josiah Madar, Furman Center for Real Estate and Urban Policy; Ingrid Ellen, New York University; Mary Weselcouch, Furman Center For Real Estate and Urban Policy

Spare the Home, Spare the Child? Foreclosure and Child Welfare Outcomes  
Lawrence Berger, University of Wisconsin-Madison; J. Michael Collins, University of Wisconsin; Timothy Smeeding, Institute for Research on Poverty

Discussant(s):

Claudia Sharygin, Urban Institute; Lauren Lambie-Hanson, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston

### **Immigration & Earnings**

(SE)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Pratt A

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Immigration, Segregation and Poverty In the U.S

Michael Stoll, University of California - Los Angeles

Immigrant Earnings Assimilation: The Role of the Workplace

Deborah T Rho, Duke University; Seth Sanders, Duke University

The Role of Ethnic Enclaves In Latino Immigrants' Labor Market Outcomes: 2000 to 2010

Pengyu Zhu, Boise State University; Cathy Liu, Georgia State University; Gary Painter, University of Southern California

Discussant(s):

TBD

### **Issues in Design and Analysis of RCTs**

(METH) (EDU)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Calhoun

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:

Implementing Social Experiments: Lessons From the Literature

Burt Barnow, George Washington University; David H. Greenberg, University of Maryland, Baltimore County

Comparing the Statistical Power of Evaluations In Which Program Components Are Randomly Assigned

Randall Juras, Abt Associates Inc.; Hiren Nisar, Abt Associates; Jacob Klerman, Abt Associates Inc.

A Statistical Model for Misreported Binary Outcomes In Clustered RCTs of Education Interventions

Peter Schochet, Mathematica Policy Research

Assessing Methods to Reduce the External Validity Bias Due to Purposive Site Selection

Larry Orr, Johns Hopkins University; Robert Olsen, Abt Associates; Stephen Bell, Abt Associates Inc.; Elizabeth Stuart, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health

Discussant(s):

TBD

### **New Directions In Early Childhood Education Research (CHILD) (EDU)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International A

Chair:

William Gormley, Georgetown University

Papers:

Associations Between Classroom Quality and Children's Vocabulary and Executive Functioning In An Urban Prekindergarten Program

Christina Weiland, Harvard University

The Effects of Universal Pre-Kindergarten On the Child Care Sector: The Case of Florida

Daphna Bassok, University of Virginia

Do the Effects of a Strong Pre-K Program Persist Over Time?

Carolyn Hill, Georgetown University

Discussant(s):

Katherine Magnuson, UW-Madison; Martha Moorehouse, U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

**Private Regulation In the Age of Austerity: Effectiveness, Policy Process, and Complementarity with Public Policy**  
(ENV) (POLPROC)

Location:  
Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Hanover B

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
Private Regulation In the Forest Sector: Activism, Firm Responses, Changing Practices In Global Supply Chains  
Graeme Auld, Carleton University

Beyond Regulation: Bilateral Voluntary Agreement In Toxic Chemicals, the Arsenic Case  
Lily Hsueh, University of Washington

Interactions Between EU Public Policy and Private Regulation: Lessons for Effective Design and Functioning  
Stefan Renckens, Yale University

Does Certification Work? A Time Series Analysis of a Green Club Good  
Tyler Davis, University of Washington

Discussant(s):  
Daniel Fiorino, American University

**Recent Evidence On the Impact of Teacher Professional Development**  
(CC)

Location:  
Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Hanover A

Chair:  
Jane Hannaway, American Institutes for Research

Papers:  
Linking Student Achievement Growth to Professional Development Participation and Changes In Instruction  
Laura M. Desimone, University of Pennsylvania; Thomas Smith, Vanderbilt University; Kristie Phillips, Brigham Young University

### Middle School Mathematics Professional Development Impact Study

Michael S. Garet, American Institutes for Research; Andrew J. Wayne, American Institutes for Research; Fran Stancavage, American Institutes for Research; James Taylor, American Institutes for Research; Marian Eaton, American Institutes for Research; Kirk Walters, American Institutes for Research; Mengli Song, American Institutes for Research; Seth Brown, American Institutes for Research; Steven Hurlburt, American Institutes for Research; Pei Zhu, MDRC; Susan Sepanik, MDRC; Fred Doolittle, MDRC

### Improving Teaching Quality Through Professional Development: Two Rct's of My Teaching Partner

Christopher A. Hafen, University of Virginia; Joseph P. Allen, University of Virginia; Anne Gregory, Rutgers University; Amori Yee Mikami, University of British Columbia; Bridget Hamre, University of Virginia; Robert C. Pianta, University of Virginia

### Discussant(s):

David Figlio, Northwestern University

### **Strengthening Workforce Programs Through Increased Coordination and Integration (EMP)**

#### Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Poe

#### Chair:

TBD

#### Papers:

The Effect of Housing Voucher Receipt On Adult Participation In Work Training Programs  
Robert Haveman, University of Wisconsin - Madison; Thomas Kaplan, University of Wisconsin - Madison; Barbara Wolfe, University of Wisconsin - Madison; Deven Carlson, University of Wisconsin-Madison

### Improving Coordination Between Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) and Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Programs

Gretchen Kirby, Mathematica Policy Research; Lauren Eyster, The Urban Institute; Julia Lyskawa, Mathematica Policy Research; Michelle Derr, Mathematica Policy Research

### Integrating Mentoring Approaches to Increase Workforce Training and Education Model Effectiveness, Efficiency, and Goal Attainment

Erin McDonald, The Urban Institute; John Trutko, Capital Research Corporation; Savi Swick, Employment and Training Administration, US Department of Labor

### Discussant(s):

TBD

### **Teacher and School Behaviors In Response to Performance Pay and Test-Based Evaluation**

(CC)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International D

Chair:

Matthew Springer, Vanderbilt University

Papers:

Behavioral Responses to Teacher Transfer Incentives: Results From a Randomized Experiment  
Steven Glazerman, Mathematica Policy Research; Ali E. Protik, Mathematica Policy Research;  
Bing-ru Teh, Mathematica Policy Research; Julie Bruch, Mathematica Policy Research; Neil  
Seftor, Mathematica Policy Research

Merit Pay In Arkansas: An Evaluation of the Cobra Pride Incentive Program In Fountain Lakes  
Nathan Jensen, University of Arkansas; Gary Ritter, University of Arkansas

Show Who the Money? Does Performance Pay Attract Higher Quality Teachers?  
Michael Jones, University of Notre Dame; Michael Hartney, University of Notre Dame

Does Merit Pay Attract a Different Type of Teacher? Evidence From a Lab Experiment  
Daniel H. Bowen, University of Arkansas; Jonathan Mills, University of Arkansas

Discussant(s):

TBD

### **The Distribution of Teacher Effectiveness** (EDU) (METH)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon E

Chair:

Eric Hanushek, Stanford University

Papers:

Disentangling Disadvantage: Can We Distinguish Good Teaching From Classroom  
Composition?  
Gema Zamarro, RAND Corporation; Jennifer Steele, RAND Corporation; Juan Esteban  
Saavedra, RAND Corporation; John Engberg, RAND Corporation

Value Added of Teachers In High-Poverty Schools and Lower Poverty Schools  
Tim Sass, Georgia State University; Jane Hannaway, American Institutes for Research; Zeyu Xu,  
American Institutes for Research; David Figlio, Northwestern University; Li Feng, Texas State  
University



Do Low-Income Students Have Equal Access to the Highest-Performing Teachers?  
Steven Glazerman, Mathematica Policy Research; Jeffrey Max, Mathematica Policy Research

Teacher Effectiveness Gaps Between and within Local Education Agencies In DC  
Eric Isenberg, Mathematica Policy Research; Elias Walsh, Mathematica Policy Research

Discussant(s):  
James Wyckoff, University of Virginia

**The Effects of Principals: New Empirical Strategies**  
(EDU)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, McKeldon

Chair:  
Tim Sass, Georgia State University

Papers:  
Estimating the Effect of Leaders On Public Sector Productivity: The Case of School Principals  
Steven Rivkin, Amherst College; Gregory Branch, Univ. of Texas at Dallas; Eric Hanushek,  
Stanford University

Disparities In Principal Effectiveness  
Stuart Buck, University of Arkansas

Principal Value-Added In Wisconsin: Where Do Effective Principals Go?  
Jeffery Dean, Univ. of Arkansas

School Principals and School Performance  
Damon Clark, Cornell University; Paco Martorell, RAND; Jonah Rockoff, Columbia University

Discussant(s):  
C. Kevin Fortner, Georgia State University; Hanley Chiang, Mathematica Policy Research

**The Functioning of Public Service Networks: Infrastructure, Informal Controls, Advocacy**  
(PM) (SF)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Adams

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
Does Client Advocacy Tilt the Network: A Comparison of Two Service Policy Networks

Jeongyoon Lee, State University of New York, University at Albany; R. Rethemeyer, State University of New York, University at Albany; Hyun Park, State U. of New York, Albany

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act: Research Findings On Implementation for Public Policy and Management

Richard F. Callahan, University of San Francisco; Sandra Archibald, University of Washington; H. Brinton Milward, University of Arizona; Kay Sterner, Evans School, University of Washington

Examining Multi-Sector Networks: Can Informal Accountability Overcome Goal Conflict?  
Barbara Romzek, University of Kansas; Jocelyn Johnston, American University; Kelly LeRoux, University of Illinois at Chicago; Jaclyn Schede Piatak, American University; Robin Kempf, University of Kansas

The Public Management Conception of “Network” Needs to Focus More On “Infrastructure”  
Eugene Bardach, Goldman School of Public Policy, UC Berkeley

Discussant(s):

TBD

**The Not-So Lazy Days of Summer: Impacts of Summer College Counseling Interventions On Postsecondary Outcomes**

(EDU)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Carroll

Chair:

Steven W. Hemelt, University of Michigan

Papers:

The Forgotten Summer: Does the Offer of Summer Counseling Mitigate Attrition Among College-Intending High-School Graduates?

Benjamin Castleman, Harvard University; Lindsay Page, Harvard University; Korynn Schooley, Fulton County Schools

How Late Is Too Late? Summer Outreach, Fafsa Completion, and College Enrollment for High-School Graduates

Eric Bettinger, Stanford University; Bridget Terry Long, Harvard University; Phil Oreopoulos, University of Toronto; Laura Owen, Johns Hopkins University

Summer Link: A Counseling Intervention to Address the Transition From High School to College

Lindsay Daugherty, Center for Education Policy Research

Discussant(s):

Susan Dynarski, University of Michigan; David Deming, Harvard University

Roundtable

**Intensive Family Services and Housing - Evaluations of Place Based Interventions**  
(SF) (HCD)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Pratt B

Moderator:

TBD

Speakers:

Debra Rog, Westat; Megan Gallagher, Urban Institute; Richard Cho, Corporation for Supportive Housing

Description:

We are proposing a roundtable discussion on the benefit of place-based supportive services for vulnerable populations - a cross cutting theme that touches on both housing and human services. The participants of this roundtable will describe various interventions that use place (housing or neighborhoods) as a platform for providing supportive services and discuss findings from their evaluations and other research on how these interventions affect adult and youth participants' outcomes related to health, education, and employment, among others. The roundtable presentations will include the following: 1) Richard Cho will present on research findings on supportive housing that demonstrate how deeply subsidized affordable housing with case management and supportive services can lead to improvements in health, increased family cohesion and stability, and reduce the use of emergency services among individuals and families who are high utilizers of costly emergency public services. He will also discuss the cost-benefit of such models that shift public service utilization from costly inpatient crisis-focused services to more cost-effective preventive services. 2) Susan Popkin will discuss findings from the Housing Opportunities and Service Together (HOST) demonstration – an intensive case management model that seeks to improve outcomes for adults and children in public housing developments. HOST is based on earlier research from the Chicago Family Case Management Demonstration that showed that adult case management lead to great improvements in health and employment indicators, but that these benefits did not necessarily affect the children in those households. Sue will share early findings from the planning and implementation phases of the HOST demonstration – from interviews, focus groups, program data, and an in-depth survey of participants. 3) Debra Rog will provide a historical view of the role of housing for families who are homeless, discussing the range of models that have been attempted, from services-enriched housing to rapid rehousing models that are currently being tested. She will discuss what we know and don't know from this body of work, and describe the challenges to evaluating the programs. She will highlight her current and past studies as examples but will also draw upon the broader literature. 4) Megan Gallagher will present findings from the baseline report on the federal government's Choice Neighborhoods Initiative. Choice seeks to build on the lessons of the HOPE VI program, expanding focus beyond improving the focal development and following the

principles of responsible relocation and providing adequate support for residents. Choice requires grantees to assess the needs of public and assisted housing residents, help relocatees find housing in better neighborhoods or return to the redeveloped site, provide supportive services to increase employment, and track relocatees to maintain support over time. The Urban Institute, in partnership with MDRC, is conducting a baseline data collection effort for all five of the Choice sites that received implementation grants in 2011.

Roundtable

### **Strengthening the Relationship Between Policy Research and Practice: Models and Lessons Learned**

(OT)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Baltimore Theatre

Moderator:

Angela Evans, University of Texas at Austin

Speakers:

TBD

Description:

The focus of this session will be on examples and models of how to incorporating the results of policy research into the design, implementation, and management of public policy both in the public and the nonprofit sectors.

Roundtable

### **Valuing Health Insurance In Measures of Poverty and Income**

(DATA) (SF)

Moderator:

Ron Haskins, Brookings Institute

Speakers:

TBD

Description:

An ongoing debate in the measurement of poverty and income is how to value health insurance in such measurements. A central issue in this debate is whether health insurance should be valued at actual cost or at its “fungible” value (how much it is worth to the recipient). Ron Haskins (Brookings) will moderate; other potential invitees include Rich Burkhauser (Cornell), Tim Smeeding (Institute for research on Poverty at the University of Wisconsin), and Gary Burtless (Brookings).

Workshop

**Effectives Strategies for Implementing Large Scale Teen Pregnancy Prevention Programs (CC) (SF)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International C

Presenter(s):

Amy Margolis, US Department of Health and Human Services; Marc Clark, Administration for Children and Families; Alison Spitz, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Description:

Despite recent declines, substantial disparities persist in teen birth rates, and teen pregnancy and childbearing continue to carry significant social and economic costs. The U.S. teen pregnancy, birth, sexually transmitted disease (STD), and abortion rates are substantially higher than those of other western industrialized nations. Over the past two years, multiple Federal offices have coordinated efforts to address the critical issue of teen pregnancy prevention. The Office of Adolescent Health (OAH), Administration for Children Youth and Families/Family Youth Services Bureau (ACYF), and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention/Division of Reproductive Health (CDC) each administer teen pregnancy prevention grant programs to target the issue from a different approach. The TPP programs administered by these three agencies are an example of how the Administration is seeking to ensure that the best evidence is brought to bear in public programs – and that we continue to build our knowledge bank about what works, and what doesn't, so that we improve the effectiveness of programs and make the best use of scarce resources. Through this panel presentation, these three offices will share lessons learned and successful strategies regarding program rollout, implementation, and collaboration efforts. Participants will have the opportunity to engage in a Q&A session with the panel members. OAH provides funds to a diverse group of grantees to replicate evidence-based teen pregnancy prevention programs with fidelity and to test innovative approaches to preventing teen pregnancy. OAH grantees are conducting rigorous grantee-level evaluations of their efforts to replicate evidence-based programs and to test new approaches to teen pregnancy prevention that will continue to add to the evidence-base and expand knowledge on what works. ACYF provides funds to State agencies, Tribes, and other organizations to educate young people on both abstinence and contraception and to support research and demonstration projects that implement innovative strategies. CDC, in collaboration with OAH, provides funds to implement and evaluate a community-wide approach to preventing teen pregnancy that includes community mobilization and stakeholder education, implementation of evidence-based programs, access to youth-friendly clinical services, and working with diverse communities. OAH will share lessons learned related to program development and implementation of evidence-based programs, innovative demonstration programs, and collaboration efforts. OAH has identified numerous lessons and successes during both the program's piloting and full implementation phases. ACYF will share successes and challenges from the rollout of large-scale programming with States and Tribes. ACYF will share findings from a design study conducted to help them in this process. CDC will provide examples of tailored grantee efforts to develop, implement and evaluate innovative, multi-component, community-wide initiatives in reducing rates of teen pregnancy

and births in communities with the highest rates, with a focus on African American and Latino/Hispanic youth aged 15–19. Community-wide approaches include broad-based strategies that reach a majority of youth in the community (e.g., through communication strategies and media campaigns); and strategies reaching youth most in need of prevention programming. Audience members will be able to translate these lessons and successes into their own work with evidence-based and innovative program services.

Sessions // 10:15 - 11:45

### **A Developmental Approach to Improving Teaching Quality: Integrating Teacher Evaluation and Instructional Improvement**

(CC)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Hanover B

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Defining and Measuring Teaching Quality: Validity and Reliability of Classroom Observation  
Diane Early, University of Rochester; Ronald Rogge, University of Rochester

Building System Capacity to Evaluate and Improve Teaching Quality: A Technical Assistance Provider's Perspective

Julie Broom, Institute for Research and Reform in Education; James P. Connell, Institute for Research and Reform in Education; Anissa Collins, Institute for Research and Reform in Education; Adena Klem, Institute for Research and Reform in Education; Todd Lacher, Institute for Research and Reform in Education

Overcoming Barriers to Meaningful Teacher Evaluation: Changing the Instructional Culture Through Professional Learning

Lexi Cunningham, Tolleson Union High School District

Discussant(s):

TBD

### **Accessing Support Across Multiple Programs**

(SF)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon D

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Web-Based Benefits Access Tools: Mitigating Barriers for Special Needs Populations  
Cicely Thomas, Mathematica Policy Research Inc; Jacqueline Kauff, Mathematica Policy Research Inc

What Impact Does Social Security Have On the Use of Public Programs Among the Elderly?  
Yanyuan Wu, Boston College; Norma Coe, Boston College

Public Benefits and Private Supports In Detroit In the Wake of the Great Recession  
Scott Allard, University of Chicago; Sandra Danziger, University of Michigan; Maria V. Wathen, University of Michigan School of Social Work

The Changing Dynamics of Multiple Program Participation: 2001 to 2009  
Eunhee Han, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Discussant(s):

TBD

**Assessing Bias and Precision in Nonexperimental Designs**  
(METH)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International A

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Estimation Methods for Multiple Rating Regression Discontinuity Designs  
Howard Bloom, MDRC; Sean Reardon, Stanford University; Kristin E. Porter, MDRC; Fatih Unlu, Abt Associates, Inc.; Michael Weiss, MDRC; Pei Zhu, MDRC; Joseph Robinson, University of Illinois

Program Evaluation Under Non-Random Assignment Using Student-Level Achievement Data:  
A Simulation Study

Francis C Smart, Michigan State University; Brian Stacy, Michigan State University; Cassandra Guarino, Indiana University; Mark Reckase, Michigan State University; Jeffrey Wooldridge, Michigan State University

Validity and Precision of the Difference-In-Difference and Comparative Interrupted Time Series Designs In Educational Evaluation

Marie-Andree Somers, MDRC; Pei Zhu, MDRC; Robin Tepper Jacob, University of Michigan; Howard Bloom, MDRC

Discussant(s):

TBD

**Comparative Environmental and Energy Policy**  
(ENV)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Adams

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Effectiveness of Policies to Reconcile Trade and Environment: An Empirical Study of the N.A.A.E.C

Linda J. Allen, American Public University

Environmental Governance with Decentralized Enforcement: Evidence From China's Open Environment Information

Mary Lovely, Syracuse University

Global Trade Could Increase and Complicate GHG Benefits From Cattle Ranching Intensification In Brazil

Avery Cohn, University of California, Berkeley

Assessing the effectiveness of Community Forest Management and Protected Forest Areas in Guatemala's Maya Biosphere Reserve

Lea Fortmann, Ohio State University

Discussant(s):

TBD

**Diversity in Higher Education**  
(SE) (EDU)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Schaefer

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Benefits From University Level Diversity?

Barbara Wolfe, University of Wisconsin - Madison; Jason Fletcher, Yale University

An Empirical Analysis of Racial Segregation In Higher Education

Peter Hinrichs, Georgetown University



The Impact of Class-Based Affirmative Action On Admission and Matriculation Outcomes In Israel  
Sigal Alon, Tel Aviv University; Ofer Malamud, University of Chicago

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**Educational Performance: The Role of Performance Management, Motivation and Innovation**  
(PM) (EDU)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Poe

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
How Does Public Service Motivation Affect Performance In Schools?  
Lotte Bøgh Andersen, Department of Political Science, Aarhus University; Lene Holm Pedersen, Danish Institute of Governmental Research Danish Institute of Governmental Research; Eskil Heinesen, Danish Institute of Governmental Research Danish Institute of Governmental Research

Organizational Culture and Performance Management Reform: Risk, Support and the Potential to Improve  
Katharine Destler, Evans School, University of Washington

Using Performance Data In An Era of Accountability  
James Harrington, University of Missouri

Multi-Media Management Teaching Cases Impacts On Student Learning  
Jodi Sandfort, University of Minnesota; J. Christopher Brooks, University of Minnesota; Jacqueline Aman, University of Minnesota

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**From Preferences to Outcomes and Back Again**  
(POLPROC)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Calhoun

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:

Regulatory Lobbying At the Office of Management and Budget

Susan Webb Yackee, University of Wisconsin-Madison; Simon Haeder, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Electoral Politics and the Distribution of Federal Program Outlays

Chris Berry, University of Chicago; William Howell, University of Chicago

Do Policies Affect Preferences? Evidence From Random Variation In Abortion Jurisprudence

Daniel Chen, Duke University; Vardges Levonyan, Harvard University; Susan Yeh, University of Pennsylvania

Discussant(s):

TBD

**Heterogeneous Treatment Effects: Theory and Application**

(EDU) (CHILD)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, McKeldon

Chair:

George Farkas, University of California, Irvine

Papers:

The Effect of Early-Grade Retention On Student Outcomes: Regression-Discontinuity Estimates From Florida's Test-Based Promotion Policy

Guido Schwerdt, Ifo Institute for Economic Research and CESifo; Martin R West, Harvard University

Understanding Variation In the Impacts of Human Capital Interventions On Children and Youth

Greg J. Duncan, University of California, Irvine; Deborah Lowe Vandell, University of California, Irvine; Sara Wakefield, University of California, Irvine

Who Benefits From Detracking? A Distributional Analysis

Thurston Domina, University of California, Irvine; Andrew M. Penner, University of California, Irvine; Emily K. Penner, University of California, Irvine; Marianne Bitler, University of California, Irvine; AnneMarie Conley, University of California, Irvine

The Effect of Process Child Care Quality On Preschool Children's Academic Achievement

Anamarie Auger, University of California, Irvine; George Farkas, University of California, Irvine; Greg J. Duncan, University of California, Irvine; Margaret Burchinal, FPG Child Development Institute, UNC-Chapel Hill; Deborah Lowe Vandell, University of California, Irvine

Discussant(s):  
Hirokazu Yoshikawa, Harvard University

**International Perspectives On the Effects of Workforce Policies**  
(EMP) (INT)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Carroll

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
Is Agricultural Training a Good Investment In Developing Countries? A Randomized Controlled Trial In Armenia  
Kenneth Fortson, Mathematica Policy Research; Anu Rangarajan, Mathematica Policy Research; Randall Blair, Mathematica Policy Research; Joanne Lee, Mathematica Policy Research; Valentine Gilbert, Mathematica Policy Research

Minimum Wage Compliance In Costa Rica: Findings From the Campaña Nacional De Salarios Mínimos  
Tim Gindling, Department of Economics, University of Maryland Baltimore County; Nadwa Mossaad, Department of Public Policy, University of Maryland Baltimore County

Trade Liberalization Policy and Unemployment: Evidence From Developing Countries  
Rashmi Krishnamurthy, Arizona State University

The Effect of Immigration On the Employment of U.S. Natives: Evidence From Mexican Fertility Shocks  
Aaron Chalfin, University of California, Berkeley; Morris Levy, University of California, Berkeley

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**Mortgage and Consumer Credit: Looking Back and Looking Forward**  
(HCD) (ASSET)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International B

Chair:  
Robert Van Order, George Washington University

Papers:  
How Endogenous Credit Scores, Fraud, and Clueless Bankers Caused the Collapse of Mortgage

## Markets

Anthony Yezer, George Washington University; Brent Smith, Virginia Commonwealth University

## The Changing Structure of US Mortgage Markets

Marsha Courchane, Charles River Associates; Peter Zorn, Freddie Mac; Rajeev Darolia, University of Missouri

## Student Loan Discrimination: Measurement and Evidence

Rajeev Darolia, University of Missouri

## Affordable Housing Goals and Access to Mortgage Credit: Housing Policy and Patterns of Residential Segregation

Michael Norton, Temple University Research for Action

## Discussant(s):

Carolina Reid, University of California- Berkeley; Pamela Blumenthal, Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

## **New Evidence On Head Start (CHILD)**

### Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Hall of Fame

### Chair:

TBD

### Papers:

Impact of Center Care Quantity On Child Outcomes: Evidence From National Head Start Impact Study

Weilin Li, University of California, Irvine; George Farkas, University of California, Irvine; Greg Duncan, University of California, Irvine; Deborah Vandell, University of California, Irvine; Margaret Burchinal, FPG Child Development Institute, UNC-Chapel Hill

Head Start and Children's Nutrition and Health Outcomes: Evidence From a Contemporary Birth Cohort Study

RaeHyuck Lee, Columbia University School of Social Work; Fuhua Zhai, SUNY Stony Brook University; Wen-Jui Han, New York University; Jeanne Brooks-Gunn, Columbia University; Jane Waldfogel, Columbia University

Classroom-Based Interventions and Children's Behavior Problems: A Randomized Trial In Head Start Settings

Fuhua Zhai, SUNY Stony Brook University; C. Cybele Raver, New York University; Stephanie Jones, Harvard University

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**Physician Payment**  
(HEALTH)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Mencken

Chair:  
James Reschovsky, Center for Studying Health System Change

Papers:  
The Effect of Pay-for-Performance (P4P) Programs On the Use of Preventive Care Services In Medicaid  
Tianyan Hu, Lehigh University; Sandra Decker, National Center for Health Statistics; Shin-Yi Chou, Lehigh University

Models of Financing Specialty Services for Medicaid Enrollees: Implications for Health Reform  
Anna S. Sommers, The Center for Studying Health System Change; Laurie E. Felland, The Center for Studying Health System Change; Amanda E. Lechner, The Center for Studying Health System Change; Lucy B. Stark, The Center for Studying Health System Change

Primary Care Providers and Health Outcomes  
Jeffrey Traczynski, University of Hawaii at Manoa; Victoria Udalova, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Can Selective Referral Policies Improve the Safety of Surgical Care?  
Lauren Nicholas, University of Michigan

Discussant(s):  
Kurt Lavetti, University of California - Berkeley; Jeremy Craig Green, Yale School of Public Health

**Poverty and Children's Outcomes**  
(SF)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International C

Chair:  
Susan E. Mayer, University of Chicago/Harris School of Public Policy Studies

Papers:  
The Effects of Transfer Programs On Children's Outcomes: Evidence From a Randomized Housing Voucher Lottery

Brian Jacob, University of Michigan

Care or Cash? The Effect of Child Care Subsidies on Student Performance

Sandra E Black, University of Texas at Austin/Professor

Permanent Income and the Black-White Test Score Gap

Jesse Rothstein, University of California - Berkeley; Nathan Wozny, Mathematica Policy Research

Test Scores and Early Care and Education Programs: Evidence From Low Income Children In Chicago

Wladimir Zanoni, Chapin Hall at The University of Chicago

Discussant(s):

TBD

**Practical Matching Conditions In Observational Studies That Often Reproduce RCT Estimates**

(METH) (EDU)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Washington

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

The Role of Pretests In Education Observational Studies: Evidence from an Empirical within Study Comparison

Kelly Hallberg, Northwestern University; Thomas Cook, Northwestern University IPR

Prospectively Choosing Comparison Units Using Sequential Matching Procedures

Vivian Wong, University of Virginia; Kelly Hallberg, Northwestern University; Peter Steiner, University of Wisconsin - Madison; Thomas Cook, Northwestern University IPR; Nathan Jones, Educational Testing Service

Covariate Selection for PS Designs In the Absence of Substantive Theories

Peter Steiner, University of Wisconsin - Madison; Thomas Cook, Northwestern University IPR; Wei Li, Northwestern University

Testing Whether Nonexperimental Comparison Group Methods Can Replicate Experimental Impact Estimates for Charter Schools

Kenneth Fortson, Mathematica Policy Research; Natalya Verbitsky-Savitz, Mathematica Policy Research; Emma Kopa, Mathematica Policy Research; Phil Gleason, Mathematica Policy Research

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**Preserving Individual and Community Assets In Times of Financial Hardship  
(HCD) (ASSET)**

Location:  
Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon B

Chair:  
Carolina Reid, University of California- Berkeley

Papers:  
Bankruptcy Decisions of Homeowners In Foreclosure  
Mark Lindblad, University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill; Melissa Jacoby, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Preserving Community Assets: Foreclosure Sales and the Neighborhood  
Hannah Thomas, The Heller School for Social Policy and Management, Brandeis University

Homeowner Transaction Costs and Take-up Rates of Mortgage Assistance Programs  
Blair Russell, John Glenn School of Public Affairs, The Ohio State University; Robert Greenbaum, John Glenn School, The Ohio State University; Stephanie Moulton, John Glenn School of Public Affairs, The Ohio State University

Discussant(s):  
James Carr, National Community Reinvestment Coalition

**Private Actors and Public Values: Street Level Behavior in a State of Agents  
(PM) (SF)**

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Pratt B

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
Exploring the Ethos of Care: Public Policy and Management Implications of Teaching As Emotion Work  
Jody Longo-Schmid, University at Albany

Managing Austerity: A Street-Level View of Medicaid Reform In Community Mental Health Services  
Evelyn Brodtkin, University of Chicago; Matthew Spitzmueller, University of Chicago

Contracting for Government Services: Using a Public Values Framework  
Amanda Girth, Ohio State University; Jocelyn Johnston, American University

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**Residential Choices, School Choices and Youth Outcomes**  
(EDU) (CHILD)

Location:  
Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon A

Chair:  
Helen Ladd, Duke University

Papers:  
Beyond Test Scores: Middle-Class Parents and the Evaluation of Urban Public Schools  
Shelley Kimelberg, Northeastern University University at Buffalo-SUNY

Are We Punishing Our Poorest Neighborhoods? Evaluating the Consequences of No Child Left Behind  
Keren Horn, New York University

School Segregation, Educational Attainment and Crime Evidence From the End of Busing In Charlotte-Mecklenburg  
David Deming, Harvard University; Stephen Billings, UNC Charlotte; Jonah Rockoff, Columbia University

Discussant(s):  
Jeffrey Weinstein, Syracuse University

**Science and Technology in the Academic Environment**  
(ST)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Chesapeake

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
Improving Institutional Review Board Service Delivery: Applying Management Principles to Research Ethics Governance  
Sara Jordan, University of Hong Kong

Accelerating Commercialization: The New Model of Strategic Foundations



Maryann Feldman, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill; Alexandra Graddy-Reed, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Distributional Outcomes In Technology Transfer Policy  
Walter Valdivia, University of California, Berkeley

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**Strategies for Providing Housing Subsidies for Low Income Households**  
(HCD) (INT)

Location:  
Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Baltimore Theatre

Chair:  
Todd Richardson, HUD

Papers:  
Increasing Social Mix within Public Housing Estates by Favoring Resourceful Residents When Allocating Vacant Dwellings?  
Lars Benjaminsen, SFI - The Danish National Centre for Social Research; Gunvor Christensen, Kraks Fond Centre for Economic Urban Development; Lise Sand Ellerbæk, SFI - The Danish National Centre for Social Research; Anders Kamp Høst, SFI - The Danish National Centre for Social Research

The Maturing Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Program: Insights From Properties In Their Teen Years  
Kimberly Burnett, Abt Associates; Jill Khadduri, Abt Associates

The Health Impact of Subsidized Housing: A Systematic Review of the Section 8 Voucher Program  
Dolores Acevedo-Garcia, Brandeis University; Pamela Joshi, Brandeis University; A. Susana Ramirez, National Institutes of Health, National Cancer Institute; Lindsay Rosenfeld, Brandeis University; Kimberly Geronimo, Brandeis University

Public Housing and Unemployment: Skills and Spatial Mismatch In Postindustrial Hong Kong  
Paavo Monkkonen, The University of Hong Kong

Discussant(s):  
Matthew Freedman, Cornell University; Rebecca Cohen, Bipartisan Policy Center

**System Delivery and Vulnerable Children**  
(CHILD)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Preston

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Examining Racial Disproportionality In Child Protective Services Case Decisions  
Sarah A Font, University of Wisconsin-Madison; Lawrence Berger, University of Wisconsin-Madison; Kristen Slack, University of Wisconsin-Madison

More Information and Collaboration Could Promote Ties Between Foster Care Children and Their Incarcerated Parents

Kay Brown, U.S. Government Accountability Office; Gale Harris, U.S. Government Accountability Office; Theresa Lo, U.S. Government Accountability Office; Melissa Jaynes, U.S. Government Accountability Office; Andrew Nelson, U.S. Government Accountability Office; Miriam Hill, U.S. Government Accountability Office

State Policy and Supplemental Security Income for Children

Erica Harbatkin, George Washington University; Michael Wiseman, George Washington University

Discussant(s):

TBD

**The Complexity of Performance Management: Goal Ambiguity, Authority, Political Ideology and Path Dependence**

(PM)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Hopkins

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Performance Management, Civil Service Reform, and Public Service Performance  
Poul Aaes Nielsen, Department of Political Science and Government, Aarhus University; Maria Falk Mikkelsen, SFI – The Danish National Centre for Social Research

The Effects of Program Type and Goal Ambiguity On Performance

Craig Thomas, University of Washington; Chan Su Jung, City University of Hong Kong

Administrative Reform, Political Ideology, and Bureaucratic Effort: Performance Management In the Bush Administration

Stéphane Lavertu, The Ohio State University; David E. Lewis, Vanderbilt University; Donald Moynihan, University of Wisconsin-Madison

This Could BE the START of Something BIG:  
Steven Kelman, Harvard University; Sounman Hong, Harvard University

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**The Effect of Fiscal Institutions On State and Local Government Finances**  
(PF)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Jefferson

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
Rainy Day Funds and Risk Management In the States: Are States Risk Averse?  
J. Bryan Gibson, University of Kentucky, Martin School

Markets, Laws or Regulations? the Impact of Institutions On Sub-Sovereign Debts  
Rui Sun, University of Central Florida; Gao Liu, University of New Mexico

State Fiscal Slack and Credit Quality  
Daniel Smith, New York University; Shanna Rose, New York University

Vertical Debt Externalities In Local Governments  
Robert A. Greer, University of Kentucky

Discussant(s):  
Eugenia Toma, University of Kentucky; Tima Moldogaziev, University of South Carolina

**The Effect of School District and Immigration Policies On Immigrant Students' Educational Outcomes**  
(EDU) (SE)

Location:  
Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon E

Chair:  
Sarah Bohn, Public Policy Institute of California

Papers:  
The Effect of Grade Placement On English Language Learners Academic Achievement  
Dylan Conger, George Washington University

The Impact of Bilingual Education On Limited English Proficient Students and Their Peers  
Scott Imberman, Michigan State University; Aimee Chin, University of Houston; N. Meltem Daysal, Tilburg University

The Effect of US Amnesty On Immigrant Youth Postsecondary Access  
Kalena Cortes, Texas A&M University

Optimal Math Instruction Time In Early Elementary Grades for English Learners and Their English-Speaking Peers  
Rachel Garrett, The University of Chicago; Guanglei Hong, University of Chicago

Discussant(s):  
Gary Painter, University of Southern California

**The Effects of Universal Place-Based "Promise" Scholarships On Academic and Economic Outcomes**  
(EDU) (HCD)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International E

Chair:  
Jessica Howell, The College Board, Advocacy & Policy Center

Papers:  
The Short-Term Effects of the Kalamazoo Promise Scholarship On Student Outcomes  
Timothy Bartik, W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research; Marta Lachowska, W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research

The Effects of the El Dorado Promise Scholarship On Academic and Economic Outcomes  
Gary Ritter, University of Arkansas; Jennifer Ash, University of Arkansas; Martin Lueken, University of Arkansas; Lindsay Melia, University of Arkansas

Using a Merit-Based Scholarship Program to Increase Rates of College Enrollment  
Gabiella Gonzalez, RAND Corporation; Robert Bozick, RAND Corporation; John Engberg, RAND Corporation

Early Impacts From a Cluster Randomized Trial of "Promise" College Financial Aid Programs  
Douglas Harris, University of Wisconsin at Madison

Discussant(s):  
Michelle Miller-Adams, W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research; Matea Pender, The College Board

Roundtable

## **How Health Literacy Became a National Policy Issue (HEALTH) (POLPROC)**

### Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International D

### Moderator:

Cindy Brach, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

### Speakers:

Rose Marie Martinez, Institute of Medicine/Senior Board Director, Board on Population Health and Public Health Practice; Susan Pisano, America's Health Insurance Plans/Vice President of Communications; Scott Ratzan, Johnson & Johnson/Vice President, Global Health

### Description:

Over the last 15 years health literacy has gone from being a topic studied by a small band of researchers to a national public policy issue (Parker and Ratzan 2010). Health literacy is defined by the Affordable Care Act of 2010 as, “the degree to which individuals have the capacity to obtain, communicate, process, and understand basic health information and services needed to make appropriate health decisions.” After documenting that individuals with limited health literacy experience worse health care and health outcomes (Berkman et al. 2004), the field of health literacy has transformed into a movement within the health care quality field. It asserts that efforts to improve quality, reduce costs, and reduce disparities cannot be successful without improving health literacy addressing the communication needs of all Americans, especially those with limited literacy (Nielsen-Bohlman, Panzer, Kindig 2004). Now the highest ranking federal health officials have called health literacy improvement a national priority (Benjamin 2010; US DHHS 2010; Koh et al. 2012) and health literacy has been reflected in federal legislation (Somers and Mahdevan 2011; PLA 2010). The private sector has also assumed a leadership role in generating the transformation to health literate organizations (AHIP 2011). This roundtable will chart the course of health literacy’s ascension. The participants, who are members or staff of the Institute of Medicine’s Roundtable on Health Literacy, will analyze how health literacy captured the hearts and minds of health care policy leadership. Topics will include: • The role of inter-disciplinary research in setting the policy agenda • Building support for action within the Department of Health and Human Services • The importance of public-private partnership • The influence of Institute of Medicine activities • Health literacy measurement advances • Growth of health plan recognition and activity • Experiences with educating elected officials and policymakers

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Roundtable

**Linking Data Across Workforce, Education and Human Services Systems for Research and Evaluation**  
(EMP) (DATA)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Pratt A

Moderator:

Matthew Stagner, University of Chicago

Speakers:

Elizabeth Weigensberg, Chapin Hall at the University of Chicago; Lauren Eyster, The Urban Institute; Demetra Smith Nightingale, U.S. Department of Labor; Anne DeCesaro, Committee on Ways and Means

Description:

As the amount of administrative data on workforce, education, and human services programs has increased in recent years, progress has been made towards improving researchers' ability to use data to effectively inform policy. This roundtable will discuss linking data from multiple systems, across the federal, state, and local levels, to better serve individuals and to better track the outcomes of individuals participating in workforce, education, and human services programs. The roundtable participants, representing a range of research and policy experience, will demonstrate ways in which cross-systems data linking can occur, such as linking state and local data systems for education and workforce programs, developing common data elements and reporting mechanisms across programs, and linking federal administrative data for performance measurement and research. Beth Weigensberg, a Senior Researcher at Chapin Hall, will discuss her involvement with CWICstats, a workforce research and data initiative that collects, links, and analyzes individual-level data on Chicago workforce development program participants. This effort integrates data from multiple public agencies and programs to provide policymakers and funders with reliable information on the workforce development system. Specifically, Chapin Hall matches individual-level administrative program data from partner agencies to wage data in order to understand individual residents' employment outcomes before, during, and after participating in workforce programs. Lauren Eyster, a Research Associate in the Urban Institute's Income and Benefits Policy Center, conducts research on workforce and welfare programs and has experience accessing and linking state administrative data, especially for education and training programs. She will discuss her work with states to link adult basic education, community college, and workforce administrative data to track participants in newly developed integrated college and career pathways programs, and to draw comparison groups from state administrative data for evaluation purposes. Demetra Smith Nightingale, Chief

Evaluation Officer at the U.S. Department of Labor, is currently collaborating with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the U.S. Department of Education to coordinate and conduct evaluations and increase access to and the quality of administrative data for research and evaluation purposes. Recently, Dr. Nightingale has been involved with cross-agency initiatives that expand access to individual-level employment and earnings data, such as the National Directory of New Hires. The intent is to make it easier for government-funded researchers to use the data, and to save taxpayer dollars by reducing the costs involved in collecting data from state agencies or through surveys. Anne DeCesaro, a majority professional staff member for the Ways and Means Committee, will share her involvement with the Standard Data and Technology Advancement (DATA) Act, HR 3339, which establishes consistent requirements for the electronic content and format of data used in the administration of TANF, child care, child support, foster care and adoption, SSI, and unemployment insurance. Similar provisions were included in the 2011 Child and Family Services Improvement and Innovation Act (P.L. 112-34) and the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job creation Act of 2012 (P.L. 112-96). She is currently working on expanding efforts to standardize data requirements in other social service programs.

Sessions // 1:45 - 3:15

**Child Development Accounts As a Response to Economic Inequality: An Effective and Sustainable Policy Strategy?**  
(CHILD) (ASSET)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Preston

Chair:  
Trina Shanks, University of Michigan

Papers:  
Socioeconomic Status and Early Savings Outcomes: Evidence from a Statewide Child Development Account Experiment  
Youngmi Kim, Virginia Commonwealth University

Youth Savings Impacts In the Ghana Youthsave Experiment  
Gina Chowa, University of North Carolina

The End of Asset-Based Welfare In Britain? the Abolition of the Child Trust Fund  
Karen Rowlinson, University of Birmingham (UK)

Discussant(s):  
Reid Cramer, New America Foundation

**Environmental and Energy Policy in the States**  
(ENV)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Hanover A

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Evaluating the Impacts of State Energy Efficiency and Demand Side Management Policies  
Sanya Carley, Indiana University, School of Public and Environmental Affairs; J.C. Randolph, Indiana University, School of Public and Environmental Affairs; Kenneth Richards, Indiana University, School of Public and Environmental Affairs; Barry Rubin, Indiana University, School of Public and Environmental Affairs

Electricity Regulation and Utility Investment and Fuel Choice

Daniel Matisoff, Georgia Institute of Technology; Fanny Guezennec, Georgia Institute of Technology; Emilson Silva, Georgia Institute of Technology; Douglas Noonan, Georgia Institute of Technology

State-Level Economic Impacts of U.S. Emissions Trading Policy: Implications for Interregional Equity and Federal Policy-Making

Fynnwin Prager, Price School of Public Policy, University of Southern California

Efficiency and Renewable Energy Policies: Assessing Policy Stringency and Drivers of Adoption

Sanya Carley, Indiana University, School of Public and Environmental Affairs; Christopher Miller, Indiana University School of Public & Environmental Affairs

Discussant(s):

TBD

**Examining the Implementation of Expanded Learning Time: Lessons Learned From Massachusetts**  
(EDU)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International E

Chair:

Matthew Stagner, University of Chicago

Papers:

Implementation of the Massachusetts Expanded Learning Time (ELT) Initiative From the State Policy Perspective

Carrie Conaway, MA Dept of Elementary and Secondary Ed

Articulating, Measuring, and Supporting the Core Principles of the Massachusetts Expanded



Learning Time (ELT) Initiative

Ben Lummis, Massachusetts 2020/The National Center on Time and Learning; Emily Raine, Massachusetts 2020/The National Center on Time and Learning

Final Implementation Findings from the Multi-Year Evaluation of the Massachusetts Expanded Learning (ELT) Initiative

Beth Gamse, Abt Associates Inc.; Amy Checkoway, Abt Associates Inc

Discussant(s):

Robin Tepper Jacob, University of Michigan

**Fertility and Marriage**

(CC) (SF)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International A

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Explaining Recent Trends In the U.S. Teen Birth Rate

Melissa Kearney, University of Maryland - College Park; Phillip Levine, Wellesley College

Best Practices for Implementing and Evaluating Evidence-Based Teen Pregnancy Programs with Diverse Populations

Colleen Heflin, University of Missouri-Columbia; Jacob Michael Cronin, University of Missouri / Policy Analyst

Teen Childbearing In the U.S.: The Effects of State Policies Over the Past Two Decades

Kristin A. Moore, Child Trends, Inc; Jacinda Dariotis, Johns Hopkins University Center for Adolescent Health; Mary A. Terzian, Child Trends, Inc.; Kelly Bell, Child Trends, Inc.

Discussant(s):

TBD

**Government Responses to Economic and Population Declines**

(PF) (POLPROC)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Jefferson

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Managing Fiscal Distress: Political Cost and Effectiveness of Budget Gap-Closing Strategies  
Milena I. Neshkova, Florida International University; Hai Guo, Florida International University

A More Equitable Approach to Cutting Intergovernmental Aid  
Bo Zhao, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston; David Coyne, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston

Declining Places and Ratchet Effects: Why Local Public Employment Goes up but Rarely Comes Down  
Christopher R Berry, University of Chicago; Jeffrey Grogger, University of Chicago; Martin R West, Harvard University

Political and Institutional Factors In Making Fiscal Policy During Crisis: Evidence From U.S. States  
Sounman Hong, Harvard University

Discussant(s):  
Stuart Kasdin, George Washington University

### **Learning More From RCTs and Multisite Studies (METH)**

Location:  
Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Hanover B

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
Estimating Variation In Program Impacts: Theory, Practice and Applications  
Howard Bloom, MDRC

On Overfitting In Experimental Analysis of Endogenous Subgroups  
Laura Peck, Abt Associates; Eleanor Harvill, Abt Associates

Comparing Approaches for Mediation Analyses In RCTs: North Carolina Early College High School Study  
Fatih Unlu, Abt Associates; Julie Edmunds, SERVE Center at the University of North Carolina-Greensboro; Larry Bernstein, RTI International; Arthur Smith, Abt Associates

Bias and Bias Correction In Multi-Site Instrumental Variables Analysis of Heterogeneous Mediator Effect  
Sean Reardon, Stanford University; Fatih Unlu, Abt Associates, Inc.; Pei Zhu, MDRC; Howard Bloom, MDRC

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**New Data for the Economics of Science and Innovation Policy**  
(ST) (DATA)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Chesapeake

Chair:

Stuart Graham, USPTO

Papers:

Improved Data for Science Policy Through Patent Data and the STAR Metrics API

Ron Lai, National Science Foundation; Lee Fleming, University of California Berkeley

New Data to Describe Science Investments: STAR Metrics

Julia Lane, Senior Managing Economist at the American Institutes for Research; Lou Schwarz, Factor21

STAR Metrics, LEHD and Networks

Maggie Levenstein, University of Michigan; Jason Owen-Smith, University of Michigan

Discussant(s):

TBD

**New Evidence On Neighborhood Preferences and Effects**  
(HCD)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Baltimore Theatre

Chair:

George Galster, Wayne State University

Papers:

Does Neighborhood Quality Impact Health and Well-being? Evidence from the Moving to Opportunity Demonstration

Shawn Moulton, Abt Associates; Laura Peck, Abt Associates; Keri-Nicole Dillman, Independent Consultant

Housing and Neighborhood Selection Among the Urban Poor

Matthew Desmond, Harvard University; Tracey Shollenberger, Harvard University

Targeted Business Incentives and Local Labor Markets

Matthew Freedman, Cornell University

Do Minorities Pay More for Identical Rental Housing In Predominantly White Areas?

Dirk W. Early, Southwestern University; Paul Carrillo, George Washington University; Edgar Olsen, University of Virginia

Discussant(s):

Michael Lens, University of California Los Angeles; Jorge De la Roca, NYU Furman Center for Real Estate and Urban Policy

**Organizational Change and Improvement: Understanding Mechanisms**  
(PM) (POLINF)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Poe

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Modeling the Social and Task Interdependencies of Innovation In Schools

Spiro Maroulis, Arizona State University; Uri Wilensky, Northwestern University

What Is a “Good” Social Network for a System? Knowledge Flow and Organizational Change

Kenneth Frank, Michigan State University; Ann Krause, University of Toledo; William Penuel, University of Colorado

The Role of Performance Information Artifacts: Key Mechanisms for Meaningful Use

Natalie Helbig, University at Albany; Luis Luna-Reyes, Universidad de las Americas Puebla; Michael Deegan, US Army Corps of Engineers, Institute for Water Resources

The Importance of Being Earnest: The Effect of Different Leadership Styles On Public Executives Performance

Alex Turrini, Universita Bocconi (Bocconi University); Nicola Bellè, Bocconi University; Davide Orazi, Bocconi University; Giovanni Valotti, Bocconi University

Discussant(s):

TBD

**Policy Influences On Child Well-Being**  
(SF) (CHILD)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International C

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Unemployment Compensation's Effect On Early Childhood Development  
Sharon Kukla-Acevedo, Central Michigan University; Colleen Heflin, University of Missouri-Columbia

Food Stamp Participation and Its Impact On Children's Health, Education, and Behavioral Outcomes  
Ji Yoon Kim, University of Michigan

Explaining Variation In the Well-Being Low-Income Children: The Role of Program Participation  
Shelley Irving, U.S. Census Bureau

Parental Time or Money: What Matters More for Children's School Success?  
Aleksandra Holod, American Institutes for Research; Columbia University; Jeanne Brooks-Gunn, Columbia University

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**Public Policy and Health Insurance Markets**  
(HEALTH) (INT)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Mencken

Chair:  
Lindsey Leininger, Chapin Hall at the University of Chicago

Papers:  
Adverse Selection In Health Insurance Markets: Evidence From Chile  
Laura Dague, Texas A & M University; Gaston Palmucci, University of Wisconsin

Federally Qualified Health Center Expansions and Access to Care for Uninsured and Medicaid-Covered Adults  
Stacey McMorro, Urban Institute; Stephen Zuckerman, Urban Institute

Expansion of Medicaid Covered Smoking Cessation Services: Effects On Maternal Smoking and Birth Outcomes  
E. Kathleen Adams, Emory University; Sara Markowitz, Emory University; Van T. Tong, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Genevieve Kenney, The Urban Institute; Patricia M. Dietz, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

The Impact of Medicaid Managed Care On Child Health: Evidence From Kentucky  
James Marton, Georgia State University; Cassie Elder, Georgia State University

Discussant(s):

Genevieve Kenney, The Urban Institute; Thomas Buchmueller, University of Michigan

**Re-Examining Higher Education Policies In the Wake of the Great Recession  
(EDU) (DATA)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Carroll

Chair:

Jacob Vigdor, Duke University

Papers:

A Necessary Investment? Evaluating the Impact of Need-Based Grant Renewal On Credit Accumulation and Graduation

Benjamin Castleman, Harvard University

Development, Diversion, or Discouragement? A New Framework and Evidence On the Effects of College Remediation

Judith Scott-Clayton, Teachers College, Columbia Univ.; Olga Rodriguez, Community College Research Center

Data Watch: Using National Student Clearinghouse Data to Track Postsecondary Outcomes

Susan Dynarski, University of Michigan; Steven W. Hemelt, University of Michigan; Joshua Hyman, University of Michigan

Working Day and Night: Heterogeneous Effects of Working On Full-Time and Part-Time Students

Rajeev Darolia, University of Missouri

Discussant(s):

Michal Kurlaender, University of California, Davis; Angela Boatman, Harvard University

**Secondary to Post-Secondary Links  
(EDU)**

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon A

Chair:

Mark Long, Evans School, University of Washington

Papers:

Impact of Curricular Reform On Course-Taking, Classroom Composition, and Achievement: A Multi-Site Regression Discontinuity Design

Takako Nomi, University of Chicago; Stephen W. Raudenbush, University of Chicago

High School Math Curriculum, Students' Course Selection and Education Outcomes  
Eleanor Harvill, Abt Associates

The Maine Question: How Is Four-Year College Enrollment Affected by Mandatory College Entrance Exams?

Michael Drew Hurwitz, College Board- Advocacy and Policy Center; Jonathan Smith, The College Board - Advocacy and Policy Center; Jessica Howell, The College Board, Advocacy & Policy Center; Sunny Niu, College Board

Investigating Advanced Placement (AP) Course Benefits for Students without AP Exam Success  
Mary E. M. McKillip, The College Board; Siobhan M. Cooney, The College Board

Discussant(s):

Joshua Goodman, Harvard University; Shaun Dougherty, Harvard Graduate School of Education

### **Social Service Use and Implications Among Immigrant Families (SE) (SF)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Schaefer

Chair:

Elizabeth Votruba-Drzal, University of Pittsburgh

Papers:

Immigrant Access to Health and Human Services: Major Barriers and Promising Practices  
Krista Perreira, University of North Carolina; Hirokazu Yoshikawa, New York University;  
Karina Fortuny, The Urban Institute; Robert Crosnoe, University of Texas Austin; Juan Pedroza,  
The Urban Institute; Kelly Purtell, University of Texas; Kjersti Ulvestad, Harvard Graduate  
School of Education; Christina Weiland, Harvard University

Predictors of Preschool Attendance Among Immigrant Families

Portia Miller, University of Pittsburgh; Rebekah Levine Coley, Boston College

Child Care Subsidy Use Among Children of Immigrants

Anna Johnson, Columbia University; Elizabeth Votruba-Drzal, University of Pittsburgh

Food Assistance Programs and the Health of Young Children In Low-Income Immigrant Households

Danielle Crosby, UNC-Greensboro; Anurika Ejimofor, University of North Carolina at Greensboro

Discussant(s):

TBD

### **Supporting Job Search and Job Transition**

(EMP)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon B

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Does the Internet Help the Unemployed Find Jobs?

Eleanor Choi, Bureau of Labor Statistics

Finding Greener Grass: Job Search After the Great Recession

Italo Gutierrez, Ford School of Public Policy, University of Michigan; Patrick Wightman, Ford School of Public Policy, University of Michigan; Sheldon Danziger, Ford School of Public Policy, University of Michigan

The Employees' New Employment Dynamics When A Business Closes

Ting Zhang, Jacob France Institute, University of Baltimore; David Stevens, Univ of Baltimore  
Jacob France Institute

Getting A Job From A Friend: Weak and Strong Ties On Facebook's Social Network

Laura K. Gee, UC San Diego (UCSD)

Discussant(s):

TBD

**TANF: Effectiveness and Meeting Needs**

(SF)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon D

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Children without Parents In the TANF Caseload: Thinking Beyond the Child-Only Label

Correne Saunders, University of Maryland - Baltimore; Andrea Hetling, Rutgers University -  
New Brunswick; Catherine E. Born, University of Maryland - Baltimore

Is "Education As a Work Activity" Leaving Clients In Debt? Findings From NYC's TANF  
Program

Kinsey Dinan, NYC Human Resources Administration; Angela Sheehan, NYC Human  
Resources Administration



### A Study of TANF Work Participation

Michelle Derr, Mathematica Policy Research; Elizabeth Laird, Mathematica Policy Research; Heather Hahn, The Urban Institute

### Is Welfare Reform Still Effective?

George Falco, NYS Office of Temporary & Disability Assistance; Jihyun Shin, NYS office of Temporary & Disability Assis

Discussant(s):

TBD

### **Tax Policy and Tobacco**

(HEALTH) (CD)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International D

Chair:

Joseph Price, Brigham Young University

Papers:

The Effect of Cigarette Taxes Among Non-Natives

Johanna Maclean, Cornell University; Jody L. Sindelar, Yale University

Smoking Policies and the Elderly: Evidence From the Health and Retirement Study

Donald Kenkel, Cornell University; Johanna Maclean, Cornell University; Asia Sikora, University of Nebraska Medical Center

Is Smoking Inferior? Evidence From Variation In the Earned Income Tax Credit

Maximilian Schmeiser, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Donald Kenkel, Cornell University; Carly Urban, University of Wisconsin-Madison

The Effects of Cigarette Taxes and Smoking Bans Birth Outcomes

Reagan Baughman, University of New Hampshire; Jia Gao, University of New Hampshire

Discussant(s):

Joshua A Price, University of Texas at Arlington; Coady Wing, University of Illinois-Chicago

### **The Government-Nonprofit Relationship**

(PM)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Hall of Fame

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Challenges of the Nonprofit-Government Relationship: After the Great Recession  
Erwin de Leon, The Urban Institute; Brent Never, University of Missouri- Kansas City

The Influence of Organizational Characteristics, Environmental Factors and Changes On  
Nonprofit Missions  
David Berlan, Syracuse University

Government Funding to Private Voluntary Organizations: Crowding-In or Crowding Out?  
Milena Nikolova, University of Maryland, College Park/Ph.D. Student

What Works: Promising Practices In Government-Nonprofit Contracts and Grants  
Elizabeth T. Boris, The Urban Institute; Erwin de Leon, The Urban Institute; Sarah L. Pettijohn,  
American University The Urban Institute

Discussant(s):

TBD

**Using Supplemental Poverty Measures to Understand Poverty Sub-Nationally and Over  
Time**

(DATA) (METH)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Adams

Chair:

James Riccio, MDRC

Papers:

Policy and Poverty In New York City: Findings From the CEO Poverty Measure  
Mark Levitan, New York City Center for Economic Opportunity; Christine D'Onofrio, New  
York City Center for Economic Opportunity; John Krampner, New York City Center for  
Economic Opportunity; Daniel Scheer, New York City Center for Economic Opportunity; Todd  
Seidel, New York City Center for Economic Opportunity

Re-Evaluating Historical Poverty Trends with the Supplemental Poverty Measure  
Jane Waldfogel, Columbia University; Irwin Garfinkel, Columbia University; Nathan Hutto,  
Horizons for Homeless Children

Protecting Families From Poverty: The Safety Net In Wisconsin During the Great Recession  
Julia Isaacs, The Urban Institute; Yiyoon Chung, Institute for Research on Poverty/University of  
Wisconsin; Katherine Thornton, Institute for Research on Poverty/University of Wisconsin

Challenges In Using the American Community Survey (ACS) to Implement A Supplemental  
Poverty Measure (SPM)

Trudi Renwick, U.S. Census Bureau; Kathleen Short, U.S. Census Bureau; Charles Hokayem, US Census Bureau; Alemayehu Bishaw, U.S. Census Bureau

Discussant(s):

Connie Citro, National Academy of Sciences; Danilo Trisi, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities

Roundtable

## **Measuring Service Quality: Lessons From Early Childhood Care and Education, Mental Health, and Primary Care**

(CC) (HEALTH)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, McKeldon

Moderator:

TBD

Speakers:

Stephanie Jones, Harvard University; Jonathan Brown, Mathematica Policy Research; Rosalind Keith, University of Michigan; Erin Taylor, Mathematica Policy Research

Description:

Across a range of settings, from early care and education classrooms to social service offices and primary health care practices, improvements in service quality are a focus for achieving targeted outcomes. Increasingly, policy makers and program operators are using quality measures as the basis for providing incentives for quality improvement and high-stakes decision-making related to staff compensation and advancement. This roundtable extends the conference's cross-cutting theme focused on boosting the quality of teaching by bringing a multi-disciplinary lens to quality measurement, particularly process quality or what the interventionist (teacher, home visitor, medical doctor) actually does in their work with those whose behaviors/outcomes are expected to improve. The primary questions the participants will address include: (1) How is quality measured in your field and how well do the existing measures perform in assessing key processes that predict outcomes? (2) How have quality measures been effectively used to guide and assess quality improvement and provision of training and technical assistance? (3) What are the trends in quality measurement and improvement and where might your field be five years from now? The chair, an expert in quality measurement in early child care and education in the U.S. and abroad, will introduce the topic and provide examples of how quality is assessed in state Quality Rating and Improvement Systems and more recently in early childhood home visiting programs. Child care quality measures include observational ratings of the classroom environment, instruction, and behavior management as well as staff reports of their education and training. The first participant brings an ecological perspective to quality measurement and has conducted research that demonstrates the importance of assessing school contexts and quality at multiple levels (community, school, classroom/teacher). The second participant, a mental health services expert, studies interventions designed to improve processes of care in clinical

practice and has published on parent and child outcomes associated with mental health communication skills training for primary care staff that uses standardized patients to measure uptake of skills and quality of care. The third participant, an expert in implementation science, has developed quality measures for use both in assessing fidelity of evidence-based practices and in documenting quality more broadly in a range of health services research settings (including intensive care units and primary care clinics). Data on quality in this area include observation checklists, structured interviews, and assessments of the patient-provider partnership. As part of work to support the implementation of patient-centered medical homes, the fourth participant recently completed a practice facilitation (coaching) how-to guide designed to improve the quality of care provided by staff and increase patient use of a medical home. The practice facilitation guide includes a section on how to evaluate quality. The chair will facilitate a lively discussion among participants and the audience about the shared learning and potential synergies across fields. One goal of the roundtable is to assess the value of developing a joint product (working paper or article) that identifies the unique and shared approaches and issues of quality measurement across disciplines.

Roundtable

**Melding Hiring Incentives and Work Sharing: Addressing Unemployment by Hiring At Reduced Working Hours**  
(EMP) (AG)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Pratt A

Moderator:

Susan N. Labin, Consultant

Speakers:

Dean Baker, Center for Economic and Policy Research; Randall Eberts, W. E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research; Carolyn Heinrich, University of Texas at Austin

Description:

Hiring incentives and work sharing are in the recent jobs legislation as components of solving the continued unemployment problem. Tax credits are being used as incentives for hiring the currently unemployed. Work sharing or short-time compensation operates in the unemployment benefit system and reduces working hours of those currently employed in order to avoid lay-offs. This Roundtable would explore the melding of these two mechanisms by creating incentives for hiring at reduced working hours and thus, address long-term as well as short-term unemployment. Populations that could be targeted will be discussed in terms of the need for hiring incentives, advantages and cost-savings implications, suggestions and challenges for policy mechanisms, and next steps needed to propel such solutions forward. Work sharing is an international term that refers to reducing working hours to avoid lay-offs. It has been used in Europe, South America, and Asia as well as in the US. In the US nearly 20 states have been using work sharing and the new jobs legislation provides federal funding to support states. Both international and domestic work sharing or short-term compensation is intended for cyclical

unemployment and provides unemployment benefits to supplement wages when hours are reduced to keep more workers employed. This Roundtable will take the core of the work-sharing concept-working fewer hours so more people are employed, expand and apply it to the unemployed and explore employer incentives outside the unemployment benefit system. One rationale is to address longer-term structural unemployment as well as extended cyclical unemployment. The impact on unemployment could be significant, e.g. hiring at 32-hour weeks rather than 40-hour weeks could reduce unemployment by 25%. Some possible advantages will be identified for a number of target populations including the need for targeting and the kinds of cost-savings that may accrue. For example, those over 50 have been hard hit with the Great Recession and once they lose their jobs, they are having extended periods of unemployment. Hiring this population at reduced hours will allow it to stay in the work force longer, postpone drawing on social security and Medicare, and will likely show health and well-being outcomes. Similarly, the population with limited labor market attachment or longer-term unemployment, such as youth with less education could be targeted. For this population, employer incentives for hiring could be tied to training programs and the reduced working hours would allow time for concurrent job training. Other potential target populations could include those unemployed over 180 days, parents of young children, and the disabled. Challenges and the structuring of incentives would be explored. For example, obstacles to higher take-up rates include the limitations on employer flexibility. Usually employers have to designate specific workers who will have their workweek shortened and for how long. Taking into account some of the solutions, advantages, and challenges that will be addressed, the Roundtable will also discuss next steps for moving such policy solutions forward.

Roundtable

### **Policy Choices: The Role of Academic and Expert-Led Research to Inform Policy (POLPROC)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Calhoun

Moderator:

TBD

Speakers:

Drew Klacik, Indiana University Public Policy Institute

Description:

Each election provides choices. Voters choose candidates as a means of deciding the future direction of public policy for the state. However, the ability of candidates to absorb into their platforms the relevant information and to consider the costs and benefits with various courses of action can prove difficult in a tight election cycle. The choices facing the public and candidates on critical issues such as education policy, workforce development, tax policy, and energy policy require careful analysis, debate, and understanding of the risks and rewards with policy actions. How can academic research and expert insight help to inject data-driven information into the process? This paper examines the process and results of convening policy experts and thought

leaders to engage in a facilitated discussion of critical policy issues for Indiana's 2012 election cycle. The products of commissions made up of volunteer experts in the areas of state and local tax policy, education and workforce development, and energy policy to inform policy debates are examined as a means of improving policy outcomes. This paper assesses how offering policy choices rather than policy prescriptions can mediate otherwise intractable policy debates.

Roundtable

**Prison Reentry Programs: Design Issues**  
(CD) (EMP)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Pratt B

Moderator:

Lawrence Mead, NYU - Wagner

Speakers:

Lee Bowes, America Works; George McDonald, The Doe Fund; Mindy Tarlow, Center for Employment Opportunities; Ronald Mincy, Columbia University School of Social Work

Description:

An important development in social policy has been the appearance of prison reentry programs designed to help ex-offenders transition back into society when they leave prison, chiefly by promoting employment. Early evaluations of these programs show that they can promote employment and reduce recidivism, a rare success in the criminal justice field. It is reasonably clear from evaluations and field experience that these programs should require participation, provide case management, stress placement in available jobs over training, follow up with clients after job placement, and help them with other problems such as health and housing. However, many design questions remain unanswered. It is unclear whether the programs must create transitional jobs for their clients, versus placing them immediately in private employment. How long should transitional jobs last? What is the best form of sanctions to maintain participation in the program? What share of ex-offenders should best be assigned to work programs? How should programs best address drug dependency? Should they be residential? What is the role of contractors? What is the best interface with the child support system, which also seeks work programs to move low-skilled men into employment, so they can pay child support? In reentry panels that I organized at prior APPAM conferences, the emphasis was on the evaluation results showing impacts. The proposed roundtable will not repeat those findings but focus on the unresolved design issues. It will say more about how programs can best optimize their results. I will submit a list of the design issues to the participants before the conference and ask them to prepare responses. At the roundtable, I will summarize these issues, and then the speakers will address the most important of them, followed by discussion. Three of the participants are leading entrepreneurs in this field whose diverse views will help us resolve, or at least sharpen, these issues. They will speak for one program that is nonresidential and uses only private job placement (Lee Bowes, American Works), one that is both residential and uses transitional jobs (George McDonald, the Doe Fund), and one that is nonresidential and uses transitional jobs

(Mindy Tarlow, Center for Employment Opportunities). Ron Mincy, our last speaker, has extensive field experience studying and advising fatherhood programs. He has well-formed views on the best shape of men's work programs that deserve a larger audience. I proposed virtually this same panel for the 2011 conference. It was declined, leaving the conference with no panels on reentry programs. Meanwhile, the subject has assumed new urgency with the recent naming of a National Academy of Sciences committee on how to minimize incarceration. Reentry programs are critical to that goal, but there is little research bearing on these design and implementation issues. I am on this committee and thus will have an updated fix on the key issues by conference time. [471 words]

## Workshop

### **Behavioral Economic Nudges to Social Programs: An Introduction to Behavioral Mapping (METH) (SF)**

#### Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Hopkins

#### Presenter(s):

TBD

#### Description:

Many social programs are designed such that individuals must make decisions and go through a series of steps to benefit from them, from deciding to apply to a program to completing forms, attending meetings, and arranging travel and child care. Over the past 30 years, innovative research in the area of "behavioral economics" has shown that human decision-making is often imperfect and imprecise. People — clients and program administrators alike — procrastinate, get overwhelmed by choices, miss details, have limited self-control, and rely on mental shortcuts. Small changes to the choice environment ("nudges") can have large effects on their decisions. Theories and research from behavioral economics can offer a new perspective on critical issues in public administration and the design of public programs and policy at administrative, supervisory, front-line worker and client levels. This workshop will describe the insights and learning developed from one of the first major projects to apply behavioral economics to social programs that serve poor families in the United States - the Behavioral Interventions for Advancing Self-Sufficiency (BIAS) project sponsored by the Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. During the initial two years of the project, MDRC and ideas42 have spoken with nearly 100 stakeholders to glean areas of most promising relevance for behavioral economics, conducted a survey of field experiments to determine commonly-applied insights, and launched several partnerships in TANF, child care and child support to explore developing and implementing behavioral economics interventions on the ground. Principal investigators from the BIAS research team along with federal officials will guide workshop participants through an applied behavioral framework that can be used to identify challenges in program operations or policy implementation that may be overcome through a behaviourally-informed intervention. The workshop will begin with a brief introduction to behavioral economics and its previous applications in public policy and administration. Participants will then join in an inter-active exercise to apply a behavioral

framework in the areas of social policy through four case studies of current behavioral mapping exercises: the National Domestic Violence Hotline, Illinois' TANF program, Maine's child care quality rating system and Texas' child support program. Through an introduction to behavioral economics and the applied mapping exercise, workshop participants will receive an introduction to a blueprint for the types of behavioral interventions that may be considered in a range of public policy and social assistance arenas. We aim to include comments and perspectives from several policy stakeholders who we have engaged with at various points of the project in discussing the application of behavioral economics to social programs such as Matthew Stagner in areas related to child welfare, homeless youth and relationship programs, Maria Cancian on child support, and LaDonna Pavetti on TANF. These experts have tentatively agreed to participate, as have members of the BIAS team and several federal officers, if this workshop proposal should be accepted.

Sessions // 3:30 - 5:00

### **Assessing Effectiveness and Promoting Efficiency In Medicaid (HEALTH)**

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International D

Chair:

Kosali Simon, Cornell University

Papers:

Medicaid Limits On Psychotherapy: Effects On Mental Healthcare Use Among Adults with Serious Mental Illness"

Marguerite Burns, University of Wisconsin; Haiden Huskamp, Harvard Medical School; Stephen Soumerai, Department of Population Medicine, Harvard Medical School

The Predictive Capacity of a Self-Reported Health Screener for Adults In Medicaid

Lindsey Leininger, Chapin Hall at the University of Chicago; Sarah Meier, University of Wisconsin-Madison; Kristen Voskuil, Population Health Institute, University of Wisconsin-Madison; Thomas DeLeire, University of Wisconsin - Madison

Saving Teens: Using a Policy Discontinuity to Estimate the Effects of Medicaid Eligibility

Bruce Meyer, University of Chicago; Laura Wherry, University of Chicago

Medicaid Fraud Enforcement: Evaluating Strategies for More Efficient Investigations

Stephen Weinberg, SUNY Albany

Discussant(s):

Milda Aksamitauskas, State of Wisconsin; Tony LoSasso, University of Illinois-Chicago

### **Beyond the Beltway: Policymaking in America's Cities & States (POLPROC)**



Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Calhoun

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
Laboratories of (In)Equality: Redistributive Policy and the Rise of Economic Inequality In the American States  
Elizabeth Rigby, The George Washington University

Seattle's Community Gardens: Examining the Efficacy of Cross-Sector Cultivation  
Diane Yoder, University of Southern California

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**Child Care Policies and Children's School Readiness Skills: Lessons From Diverse Populations**  
(CHILD) (EDU)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Preston

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
The Long-Term Implications of Timing, Extent, and Type of Child Care for Australian Children  
Caitlin McPherran Lombardi, Boston College; Rebekah Levine Coley, Boston College;  
Jacqueline Sims, Boston College

Progressive Child Care Policy and Children's Language In Norway  
Eric Dearing, Boston College; Henrik Daae Zachrisson, Norwegian Institute of Public Health;  
Claudio Toppo, Harvard University

Improving Quality of Preschool Education In Chile: Post-Intervention Impacts On Classroom Quality and Child Outcomes  
Hirokazu Yoshikawa, Harvard University; Ernesto Treviño, Universidad Diego Portales;  
Catherine E Snow, Harvard University; Maria Clara Barata, Lisbon University; Mary Catherine Arbour, Harvard Medical School; Diana Leyva, Harvard University; Susana Mendive, Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Chile; Christina Weiland, Harvard University; Andrea Rolla, Ministry of Education, Chile

Discussant(s):

TBD

**Evaluating Homelessness Prevention Strategies**  
(HCD)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Baltimore Theatre

Chair:

Ellen Howard-Cooper, New York City Department of Homeless Services

Papers:

Can Homelessness Be Prevented? Evidence From New York City's Homebase Program  
Peter Messeri, Columbia University; Brendan O'Flaherty, Columbia University; Sarena  
Goodman, Columbia University

Ten Year Plans: A Recent Initiative to End Homelessness In the United States  
Elizabeth Ty Wilde, Columbia University

A Continuum of Risk: Housing Instability and Poor Families

Felicia Yang DeLeone, Institute for Children, Poverty, and Homelessness; Stephanie Harz,  
Institute for Children, Poverty, and Homelessness

Discussant(s):

Larry Buron, Abt Associates; Jill Khadduri, Abt Associates

**Evaluation of Non-Price Energy and Water Conservation Programs**  
(ENV)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Adams

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Using Non-Pecuniary Strategies to Influence Behavior: Evidence From a Large Scale Field  
Experiment

Paul Ferraro, Georgia State University; Michael Price, University of Tennessee

Closing the "Energy-Efficiency Gap": An Empirical Analysis of Property Assessed Clean  
Energy

A. Justin Kirkpatrick, Duke University; Lori Benneer, Duke University

Heterogeneity In Household Response to Non-Price Water Conservation Policies: Evidence  
From Panel Micro Data

Casey Wichman, North Carolina State University; Laura Taylor, North Carolina State University; Roger von Haefen, North Carolina State University

Motivating Energy Conservation Behavior: A Meta-Analysis of Intervention Studies 1975-2011  
Magali A. Delmas, UCLA; Miriam Fischlein, UCLA; Omar Asensio, UCLA

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**Evidence about Structuring and Informing Citizen Decisions Involving Inter-Temporal Choice and Risk**

(METH) (ASSET)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Hopkins

Chair:  
Jillian Berk, Mathematica Policy Research

Papers:  
The Difference a Day Makes: The Impact of Payday Loan Length On Probability of Repayment  
Susan Carter, Vanderbilt University; Paige Skiba, Vanderbilt University; Justin Sydnor, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Changing Decisions by Reframing Risk: How a Local Earthquake Safety Ordinance Motivated Voluntarily Retrofits  
Sharyl Rabinovici, Mills College

Everyone Believes In Redemption: Overoptimism and Nudges  
Robert Letzler, Federal Trade Commission; Joshua Tasoff, Claremont Graduate University

Discussant(s):  
TBD

**Explicit/Implicit Explanations: Race & Identity In Policy Context**

(SE) (POLPROC)

Location:  
Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Schaefer

Chair:  
TBD

Papers:  
Measuring Attitudes about Racial Profiling: Implicit Stereotypes and Explicit Preferences  
Karin Martin, Univ. California, Berkeley; Jack Glaser, Goldman School of Public Policy,

University of California, Berkeley

Awareness Reduces Racial Bias

Devin Pope, Booth Business School, University of Chicago; Joseph Price, Brigham Young University; Justin Wolfers, University of Pennsylvania

Group Identity Vs. Individual Preferences In Predicting Voting Behavior: Social Effects of Labor Union Membership

Chris Finn, Goldman School of Public Policy

Discussant(s):

TBD

**Federalism in Science: State-Level Issues in S&T**  
(ST) (PM)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Chesapeake

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

What Individual and Institutional Factors Affect the Licensing of University Inventions?

Yonghong Wu, University of Illinois at Chicago; Eric Welch, University of Illinois at Chicago; Wan-Ling Huang, Tamkang University

Science, Technology, and Innovation (STI) Legislative Landscape: Mapping State-Level STI Legislation In the US

Marlit Hayslett, Georgia Tech Research Institute; Moon K. Kim, Georgia Tech Research Institute; Elena Petrakieva, Georgia Tech Research Institute

The Price Elasticity of R&D: Evidence From State Tax Policies

Andrew C. Chang, University of California - Irvine

Spurring Innovation within States: An Assessment of the SBIR State Matching Programs

Lauren Lanahan, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill; Maryann Feldman, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Discussant(s):

TBD

**Improving Educational Outcomes In Developing Countries**  
(EDU) (INT)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Carroll

Chair:

Will Dobbie, Harvard University

Papers:

Impacts of Conditional Cash Transfer Programs On Educational Outcomes In Developing Countries: A Meta-Analysis

Sandra Garcia, Universidad de los Andes

Improving Girls' Education: Experimental Evaluation of Niger's Imagine Program

Dan Levy, Harvard University

When Education Expenditure Matters

Emiliana Vegas, Inter-American Development Bank; Chelsea Coffin, The World Bank

Improving Reading Skills and Attitudes towards Reading: Experimental Evidence From Chile

Francisco Gallego, Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Chile; Veronica Cabezas, Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Chile

Discussant(s):

Adrienne M. Lucas, University of Delaware

### **International Child Support Policy Research**

(SF) (INT)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon D

Chair:

James Kunz, McDaniel College

Papers:

Child Support Receipt: Does Context Matter? A Comparative Analysis of Colombia and the United States

Laura Cuesta, UW Madison

Child Maintenance Policies In Finland

Mia Hakovirta, University of Turku (Finland); Heikki Hiilamo, Social Insurance Institution (Finland)

Nonresident Parents and State Provision: Child Support As Welfare Complement or Substitute?

Christine Skinner, University of York; Dan Meyer, University of Wisconsin - Madison

Child Support Debt: Tracing the Evolution of the Problem and Implications for Policy Solutions

Maria Cancian, University of Wisconsin - Madison; Dan Meyer, University of Wisconsin -

Madison

Discussant(s):

Linda Mellgren, US Dept of Health and Human Services; Timothy Smeeding, Institute for Research on Poverty

**Promoting Effective, Efficient and Accountable Government: Lessons From the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act**

(PM) (EMP)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Hall of Fame

Chair:

Margaret Simms, The Urban Institute

Papers:

Implementation of Community Services Block Grants Under ARRA

Carol J. DeVita, Urban Institute; Margaret Simms, The Urban Institute

Responding to the Great Recession:How the Recovery Act Boosted Training and Innovation In Three States

Evelyn Ganzglass, Center for Law and Social Policy; Neil Ridley, Center for Law and Social Policy

The Experience of States with Recovery Act Workforce Funds

Burt Barnow, George Washington University; Randall Eberts, W. E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research; Joyce Kaiser, Capital Research Corporation; Christopher King, The University of Texas at Austin; Tara Smith, University of Texas at Austin; John Trutko, Capital Research Corporation; Stephen Wandner, The Urban Institute

State Administration of Unemployment Insurance Provisions In the Recovery Act

Wayne Vroman, Urban Institute; Yvette Chocolaad, National Association of State Workforce Agencies; Richard Hobbie, National Association of State Workforce Agencies

Discussant(s):

TBD

**School District Policies to Improve Performance**

(EDU)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International E

Chair:

Kalena Cortes, Texas A&M University

Papers:

School Districts and Student Achievement

Matthew Chingos, Brookings Institution; Grover (Russ) Whitehurst, Brookings Institution

The Effects of District-Level Policies On the Black-White Test Score Gap

Douglas Lauen, UNC-Chapel Hill; S. Michael Gaddis, UNC-Chapel Hill; Casey M White, UNC-Chapel Hill; Charlotte Agger, UNC-Chapel Hill

School District Dropout Prevention Efforts and High School Graduation Rates: A Nationally Representative Study

Daniel Princiotta, Child Trends

Discussant(s):

Jacob Leos-Urbel, NYU

### **Sharpening Our Tools In Analyzing Policy Designs**

(PM) (POLPROC)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Poe

Chair:

Barry Pump, Office of the Historian, U.S. House of Representatives

Papers:

Understanding Higher Ed Policy Implementation Using the Institutional Analysis and Development Framework

Jim D. Flowers, Georgia State University

Applying the Institutional Grammar Tool to Understanding Contract Design

Saba Siddiki, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis; Deanna Maletesta, Indiana University Purdue University-Indianapolis

Using the Institutional Grammar Tool to Understand Brownfield Action Situations

Ellen Rodgers, Washington State University Vancouver

The Architecture of Action In the Usda's National Organic Program

David Carter, University of Colorado Denver; Chris Weible, University of Colorado Denver; Xavier Basurto, Duke University; John Brett, University of Colorado Denver; Saba Siddiki, Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis

Discussant(s):

Adam Sheingate, Johns Hopkins University

### **Teacher Effectiveness: Measurement and Policy Applications**

(EDU)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Salon A

Chair:

Maria Perez, Stanford University

Papers:

The State of the Art In the Research On Value-Added Models of Teacher Performance  
Cassandra Guarino, Indiana University; Mark Reckase, Michigan State University; Jeffrey  
Wooldridge, Michigan State University

Forming Composite Measures of Effective Teaching

Kata Mihaly, RAND; Daniel McCaffrey, RAND; Douglas Staiger, Dartmouth College; J.R.  
Lockwood, RAND

The Size and Reliability of Teacher Training Effects In Texas

Cynthia Osborne, University of Texas at Austin; Paul T. von Hippel, UT-Austin; Jane Lincove,  
University of Texas, Austin; Nicholas Mills, University of Texas at Austin

The Distribution of Effective Teachers In North Carolina

Douglas Lauen, UNC-Chapel Hill; Gary Henry, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Discussant(s):

Jesse Rothstein, University of California - Berkeley; Dan Goldhaber, University of Washington

### **Testing-Instrument Issues and Value Added Models**

(METH)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Hanover B

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

Test Measurement Error and Inference From Value-Added Models

Cory Koedel, University of Missouri-Columbia; Rebecca Leatherman, University of Missouri-  
Columbia; Eric Parsons, University of Missouri-Columbia

Reducing Bias In Observational Analyses of Education Data by Accounting for Test  
Measurement Error

J.R. Lockwood, RAND; Daniel McCaffrey, RAND

Measuring Test Measurement Error: A General Approach



Donald J. Boyd, University of Albany- SUNY; Hamilton Lankford, University at Albany- SUNY; Susanna Loeb, Stanford University; James Wyckoff, University of Virginia

Bias of Public Sector Worker Performance Monitoring: Theory and Empirical Evidence From Middle School Teachers

Douglas Harris, University of Wisconsin at Madison; Andrew A. Anderson, University of Wisconsin at Madison

Discussant(s):

Tim Sass, Florida State University; Brian Gill, Mathematica Policy Research

### **The Intersection of Environmental Policy and International Development** (ENV) (INT)

Location:

Radisson Plaza Lord Baltimore Hotel, Hanover A

Chair:

TBD

Papers:

“Measuring the Impact of Convenient Water Supply On Household Time Use In Rural Ethiopia”

Joseph Cook, University of Washington; Yuta Masuda, University of Washington; Lea Fortmann, Ohio State University; Marla Smith-Nilson, Water 1st International; Mary Kay Gugerty, University of Washington

The Role of Water Quality Perceptions In Determining the Demand for Water Treatment In Cambodia

Marc Jeuland, Duke University; Jennifer Orgill, Duke University; Joe Brown, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine; Gina Turrini, Duke University

Forecasting and Preventing Economic Losses Due to Poor Water and Sanitation In Africa

Maura Allaire, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; Marc Jeuland, Duke University; David Fuente, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; Semra Ozdemir, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill; Dale Whittington, Manchester Business School University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Grandfathering

Maria Damon, New York University; Elinor Ostrom, Indiana University; Thomas Sterner, Gothenburg University

Discussant(s):

TBD

### **Wealth Loss and Recovery During the Great Recession** (SF) (ASSET)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, International C

Chair:

Carolina Reid, University of California-Berkeley

Papers:

Surveying the Aftermath of the Storm: Changes In Family Finances From 2007 to 2009  
Jesse Bricker, Federal Reserve Board of Governors; Brian Bucks, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau; Arthur Kennickell, Federal Reserve Board of Governors; Traci Mach, Federal Reserve Board of Governors; Kevin Moore, Federal Reserve Board of Governors

Wealth Loss During the Great Recession: Facts, Impacts, and Policy Remedies

Signe-Mary McKernan, The Urban Institute; Caroline Ratcliffe, The Urban Institute; C. Steuerle, The Urban Institute; Sisi Zhang, The Urban Institute

The Asset Price Meltdown and the Wealth of the Middle Class

Edward Wolff, New York University

Wealth Losses During and After the Recession and Their Intergenerational Spillover Effects

Fabian Pfeffer, Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan; Sheldon Danziger, G.R. Ford School of Public Policy, University of Michigan; Robert Schoeni, University of Michigan

Discussant(s):

Jared Bernstein, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities

Roundtable

**Increasing Degree Production In An Age of Scarcity: Can Academe Respond?**

(CC) (PF)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, McKeldon

Moderator:

William Zumeta, University of Washington

Speakers:

David W Breneman, University of Virginia; Robert Archibald, College of William and Mary; Terry Hartle, American Council on Education; William E Kirwan, University of Maryland System

Description:

Higher education has seen a pattern of gradual state disinvestment since 1980, punctuated by sharp cuts in public support during 2009-2012. Although the economy seems now to be

improving, the deepest cuts since the Depression occurred in FY 2012 as the ARRA buffer was withdrawn. Going forward, the fact that most states face structural deficits, coupled with federal fiscal imbalances, suggests that public higher education will continue to face significant financial constraints. As in the past, colleges and universities recently turned to hefty tuition increases as state support dwindled. Real tuition has climbed so much now over such a long period—and particularly sharply since 2000—that it is questionable that "customers," or the public and those they elect, will swallow many more years of large price hikes. Yet at the same time that its traditional sources of support are constrained, the President and major philanthropies, as well as many states, have been pressing for greater degree (and certificate) production from higher education as the U.S. rapidly falls behind other developed economies in postsecondary attainment rates, according to widely touted OECD statistics. In a world where economic growth and prosperity are increasingly knowledge based, such a trend in human capital production seems gravely problematic. Can the nation's higher education system respond to the apparent need to do more with less, i.e., to produce more credentialed graduates with real per student resources unlikely to grow very much? Can this be done without debasing the quality of the human capital represented by the credentials? How can a decentralized system that no actor controls be reoriented from traditional notions that more output (or higher quality) always requires more resources per student? This roundtable will address these strategic systemic questions from several perspectives. The moderator and one panelist have recently co-authored a book on "Financing American Higher Education in the Era of Globalization" (Harvard Education Press, 2012) that offers analysis and suggestions for strategically shifting key incentives that operate within our federal system to make increased degree production possible without sacrificing quality. Both have studied and written about higher education finance and policy for decades. One of them has been president of the major association for scholars of higher education and the other has been a college president and university dean. Another panelist, also an economist, has recently published an insightful and pertinent book, "Why Does College Cost So Much?" (Oxford, 2011). The third panelist has long served as a senior executive for governmental affairs with one of the major Washington higher education associations. The final panelist has been a university president and now leads a statewide university system. He has a reputation for taking innovative steps to achieve both efficiencies and greater output from the institutions he has led, while enhancing quality and even acquiring additional resources from the legislature as a result.

Roundtable

**Multi-Generational Planning: Integrating Services for Residents of All Ages**  
(HEALTH)

Location:

Sheraton Baltimore City Center Hotel, Mencken

Moderator:

Katherine Swartz, Harvard University

Speakers:

Mildred E. Warner, Dept of City and Regional Planning/Cornell University; Rodney Harrell,

AARP Public Policy Institute; Cynthia Guy, Annie E. Casey Foundation; Ingrid Ellen, New York University

Description:

Municipalities of all sizes are simultaneously facing a fiscal crisis and a demographic transformation. Although the US population is aging, the number of school-age children in the US is the same as during the height of the baby-boom. Cities and towns need to enhance investments in children – while the aging population will create new demands on local service delivery. Fiscal pressures require new approaches to address the needs of the younger and older population cohorts. New integrated service delivery models may offer some promise. The purpose of this session is to focus on the need for community planning to more effectively deliver intergenerational services. The participants will discuss the needs for elder and child services in the coming decades (for example, transportation, easily walkable sidewalks and parks, buildings for after-school activities and activities for elders, housing that is intended to be multi-generational), what we know about demand and effective responses to those projected needs, and what we need to learn in order to promote effective innovations at all governmental levels. Examples of questions to be discussed include: Can we use integrated service delivery models to promote more effective services for elders and families with young children? What are the motivators and obstacles to multi-generational planning? What are the implications for physical planning, and changes in transportation, building codes and service delivery? Is there evidence that such municipal design changes promote good health for elders and reduced obesity among children? Surveys show that the majority of baby boomers would like to age in place. To do so they need affordable housing, transportation services, walkable streets, nearby services, appropriate recreational facilities and opportunities for civic engagement. These are the same community features young children and teens need for healthy development. Traditionally, however, services for children and elders have been responsibilities of separate government agencies. Federal aid is primarily focused on seniors (health care, social security), while state and local governments bear the primary burden for public investments in children (mostly K-12 education). But this siloed approach may not be the most effective nor efficient mode of service delivery. Research suggests substantial benefits from integrated program designs. Integrated programs also may offer some cost savings from economies of scope and scale. Some of the most promising examples of inter-generational planning have come from school-community collaborations. Importantly, in an era of tight public budgets, shared services may yield broader political support for program investment – especially at the community level. The participants proposed for this session bring a variety of relevant research experience and knowledge about children, the elderly, planning and design, and different government programs that serve different generations. A roundtable discussion exploring the issues of inter-generational service delivery would attract attendees from a number of APPAM's traditional focus areas of children and family policy, education, health, aging, and housing and urban development.