Conference Agenda

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 2012**

8:30-9:00  Registration  
9:00-9:15  Welcome  
9:15-9:30  Policy Remarks  
9:30-10:30  Policy Panel  
10:30-10:45  Update & Overview  
10:45-11:00  Break  
11:00-12:30  Resident Fathers  
12:30-1:30  Lunch  
1:30-3:00  Nonresident Fathers  
3:00-3:15  Break  
3:15-4:45  Co-Parenting  

**THURSDAY, MAY 24, 2012**

8:30-9:00  Registration  
9:00-10:30  Father Involvement & Well-being  
10:30-11:30  Poster Session & Break  
11:30-1:00  Fathers in Diverse Contexts  
1:00-2:00  Lunch  
2:00-3:30  Future Directions & Wrap Up  

Welcome

**SUSAN L. BROWN**  
Co-Director, National Center for Family & Marriage Research  
Professor of Sociology, Bowling Green State University  
Areas of Interest  
• Child Well-being  
• Cohabitation  
• Divorce  
• Marriage  

**WENDY D. MANNING**  
Co-Director, National Center for Family & Marriage Research  
Associate Director, Center for Family and Demographic Research  
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Areas of Interest  
• Adolescent Relationships  
• Cohabitation  
• Marriage  
• Parenting Across the Life Course  

**FATHERS & FATHERING IN CONTEMPORARY CONTEXTS**  
Each year, the NCFMR organizes a large conference to share research results, bring researchers and policy makers together, and generate new research based on input from leading scholars and policy makers.

Fathers play a critical role in child development, and fathering behaviors are also linked to men’s well-being. As larger shares of children are born to unmarried single or cohabiting mothers or experience their parents’ marriage dissolve, father involvement with their children is more complex. The diversity characterizing today’s fathers coupled with the heterogeneity in contemporary fathering behaviors make research on fathers and fathering particularly timely.

The goal of this conference is to move forward our understanding of fathers and fathering in contemporary contexts and examine their linkages to well-being. The panel of interdisciplinary researchers will discuss cutting edge topics on fatherhood and fathering by sharing new theoretical, empirical, methodological, and measurement insights. Further, researchers will address how their work informs current policy debates.

Substantive topics include:
• Resident Fathers  
• Nonresident Fathers  
• Co-Parenting  
• Father Involvement & Well-being  
• Fathers in Diverse Contexts
Welcome

Ajay Chaudry
Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Human Services Policy, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (ASPE/HHS)

Areas of Interest
• Child Poverty
• Child Well-being and Development
• Human Service Programs
• Early Childhood Care System

Rebecca L. Clark
Chief, Demographic and Behavioral Sciences Branch (DBSB), Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD)

Areas of Interest
• Demography
• Reproductive Health
• Population Health

Policy Panel

Ronald T. Ashford
Director, Housing and Urban Development, Public Housing Supportive Services

Areas of Interest
• Employment, Education, Health, and Youth Programs for Public Housing Residents

Demetra Smith Nightingale
Chief Evaluation Officer, U.S. Department of Labor

Areas of Interest
• Employment Policy
• Workforce Development
• Labor Markets
• Social Policies and Programs

Vicki Turetsky
Commissioner, Office of Child Support Enforcement

Areas of Interest
• Family Policy
• Child Well-being
• Responsible Fatherhood
• Human Service Delivery
• Prisoner Re-entry

Update & Overview

V. Jeffery Evans
Emeritus, Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD)

Areas of Interest
• Fatherhood
• Family Demography
• Intergenerational Behavior
• Socio-economic Influences on Health and Development

Resident Fathers

William Marsiglio
Professor of Sociology and Criminology & Law, University of Florida

Areas of Interest
• Social Psychology of Fathering
• Social Constructions of Fatherhood
• Fathers’ Nurturance
• Men’s Reproductive Experiences
• Fathering and Youth Work

Sandra Hoffertth
Professor of Family Science, University of Maryland Director, Maryland Population Research Center

Areas of Interest
• American Children’s Use of Time
• Immigrants and Immigration
• Research Methods
• Fathers and Fathering
• Family Policy

Rebecca M. Ryan
Assistant Professor of Psychology, Georgetown University Affiliated Faculty, Georgetown Public Policy Institute

Areas of Interest
• Family Structure
• Child Development
• Fathering and Father Involvement
• Parental Investments in Children

Susan D. Stewart
Associate Professor of Sociology, Iowa State University

Areas of Interest
• Family Structure
• Stepfamilies
• Parenting
• Child and Adult Well-being
Nonresident Fathers

**Daniel R. Meyer**
Mary C. Jacoby Professor of Social Work and Affiliate of the Institute for Research on Poverty, University of Wisconsin – Madison

Areas of Interest
- Effects of Child Support & Welfare Reform
- International Approaches to Child Support Policy
- Custody Arrangements for Children
- Multiple Partner Fertility

**Valarie King**
Professor of Sociology, Demography, and Human Development & Family Studies, The Pennsylvania State University

Areas of Interest
- Fathers
- Child Well-being
- Parent-Child Relationships
- Intergenerational Ties

**Kevin Roy**
Associate Professor of Family Science, School of Public Health, University of Maryland

Areas of Interest
- Fathering in Low-Income Families
- Kin Networks over the Life Course
- Transition to Adulthood
- Qualitative Research

**Mindy E. Scott**
Senior Research Scientist, Parenting & Family Dynamics and Fertility & Family Structure Content Areas, Child Trends

Areas of Interest
- Nonresident Father Involvement
- Fathers and Fertility
- Adolescent and Young Adult Relationships

Co-Parenting

**Marcy (Marcia) J. Carlson**
Professor of Sociology, University of Wisconsin – Madison

Areas of Interest
- Family Structure
- Nonmarital Childbearing and Parenting
- Father Involvement
- Couple Relationship Quality
- Child Well-being

**Jay Fagan**
Professor of Social Work, Temple University

Areas of Interest
- Fathers in At-Risk Families
- Co-Parenting
- Family Structure
- Interventions for Fathers

**Sarah Schoppe-Sullivan**
Associate Professor, Departments of Human Development & Family Science and Psychology, The Ohio State University

Areas of Interest
- Co-Parenting
- Father-Child Relationships
- Transition to Parenthood
- Maternal Gatekeeping

**Mark Feinberg**
Research Professor, Prevention Research Center, The Pennsylvania State University

Areas of Interest
- Family-focused Prevention
- Co-Parenting
- Family Violence and Sibling Relationships
- Community Epidemiology of Problem Behaviors
- Community-based Prevention Coalitions
Father Involvement & Well-being

Natasha J. Cabrera
Associate Professor of Human Development, University of Maryland

Areas of Interest
- Fatherhood
- Childcare
- The Normative Development of Low-Income Children
- Interface Between Policy and Research

Craig F. Garfield
Assistant Professor of Pediatrics and Medical Social Sciences, Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine and Children’s Memorial Hospital

Areas of Interest
- Father Involvement in Child and Family Health
- Young Men’s Health Across the Life Course
- Fathers and Pediatrics

Catherine S. Tamis-LeMonda
Professor of Applied Psychology, Steinhardt School of Culture, Education and Human Development, New York University

Director of Center for Research on Culture, Development and Education

Areas of Interest
- Infancy and Early Childhood
- Language and Cognitive Development
- Parenting Beliefs and Practices
- Culture and Context

Waldo E. Johnson, Jr.
Associate Professor of Social Service Administration, University of Chicago

Areas of Interest
- Father Roles and Involvement in Fragile Families
- Male Roles in Families and Communities
- Physical and Mental Health Statuses of African American Males
- Social Construction of Masculinity Among African-American Males

Poster Session

- Doyle, Otima. “He’s my Baby too: Co-parenting among Non-resident and Resident African American Fathers.” Duke University Medical Center.
- Dyer, W. Justin, and Day, Randal D. “What’s been missing: Why age, context, and reporter all matter measuring father involvement.” Brigham Young University.
- Payne, Krista K. “Becoming a Father before First Marriage: Variation over Time by Educational Attainment.” National Center for Family & Marriage Research, Bowling Green State University.
- Reid, Megan and Golub, Andrew. “Cohabitation and co-parenting in urban Black families: Early findings from a mixed-methods study.” National Development and Research Institutes, Inc.
Fathers in Diverse Contexts

CHRISTOPHER WILDEMAN
Assistant Professor of Sociology, Faculty Fellow, Center for Research on Inequalities and the Life Course (CICLE) Resident Fellow, Institution for Social and Policy Studies (ISPS), Yale University
Areas of Interest
• Punishment
• Inequality
• Family
• Foster Care
• Population Health

KIMBERLY A. UPDEGRAFF
Distinguished Cowden Professor of Family and Human Development, School of Social and Family Dynamics, Arizona State University
Areas of Interest
• Gender Socialization in the Family Context
• Latino Families
• Family and Peer Relationships in Adolescence and Emerging Adulthood
• Sibling Relationships

ABBBIE E. GOLDBERG
Associate Professor of Psychology, Clark University
Areas of Interest
• Family Diversity
• Transition to Parenthood
• Adoption
• Lesbian/Gay Parent Families
• Work-Family Issues

RACHEL FARR
Postdoctoral Research Scholar of Psychology, Rudd Adoption Research Program, University of Massachusetts Amherst
Areas of Interest
• Child Development and Parenting
• Positive Family Functioning
• Adoption and Adoptive Family Systems
• Sexual Minority (LGBT) Parent Families

RONALD B. MINCY
Maurice V. Russell Professor of Social Policy and Social Work Practice, Columbia University School of Social Work Director of the Center for Research on Fathers, Children and Family Well-Being (CRF/CFW)
Areas of Interest
• Child Support
• Income Security Policy
• Responsible Fatherhood
• Urban Poverty

Future Directions & Wrap Up

AMANDA GELLER
Associate Research Scientist, Columbia University School of Social Work Faculty Affiliate, Columbia Population Research Center
Areas of Interest
• Criminal Justice and Stratification
• Incarceration and Family Life
• Administration of Justice Issues
• Police-Citizen Interactions

RYAN D. KING
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Areas of Interest
• Law and Society
• Criminology
• Life Course

EARL S. JOHNSON
Director, Office of Family Assistance, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)
Areas of Interest
• Fertility, Infertility, Adoption, and Kinship
• Lifecourse Health
• Interrelationships Between Work, Family, and Health

ROSALIND BERKOWITZ KING
Health Scientist Administrator, Demographic and Behavioral Sciences Branch (DBSB), Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD)
Areas of Interest
• Fertility, Infertility, Adoption, and Kinship
• Life Course

WALLACE O. MCLAUGHLIN
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Areas of Interest
• Father Involvement and Well-being
• Reintegration of Ex-Offenders
• Fatherhood and Faith Development
• Fatherhood and Healthy Relationships
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