

Institute Goals

- Disseminate non-partisan, research-based, policy analysis to promote the consideration of family, school, and community contexts and open communication among policy makers, service providers, and researchers
- Serve as an information and research resource for state legislators, legislative staff, and others involved in legislative and policy formation processes
- Facilitate, support, and implement programs and research designed to encourage child and family professionals in best practice
- Evaluate community-based programs to inform policy, best practice, and effective resource allocation
- Support effective approaches to link child and family research, practice, and policy



Service Plans

Policy Analysis Support: Institute policy analysis service and support is available to state legislators, state agencies, and state and local agencies at no cost.

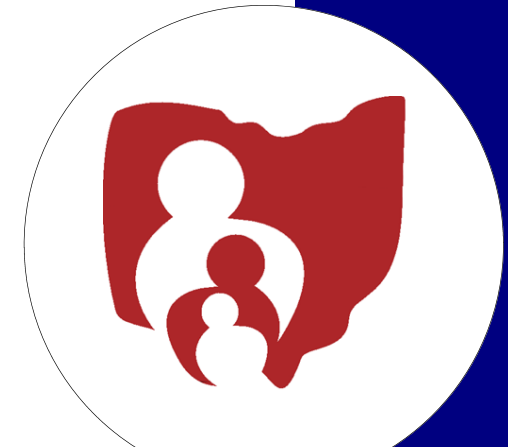
Research and Evaluation Services: Institute research and evaluation services are available to schools, social service agencies, courts, and communities through both a grant-funded and on a fee for services basis.

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General Information

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About the Institute

The Bowling Green State University Institute for Child and Family Policy represents the first program in Ohio aimed at providing non-partisan child and family policy analysis and community program evaluation research to legislators, state agency personnel, local governments, court personnel, and education and social service professionals.

The Institute aims to strengthen connections between research, policy, and best practice models through summaries of topical family and child research, and insightful policy analysis on children and their families. Attention will be primarily directed to three key domains in a child's life: school, family, and community.



Policy Support

The Institute for Child and Family Policy serves as a source for research-based policy information. Being non-partisan, the Institute assures legislators and professionals timely, objective analyses of information.

Policy Seminars:

Statewide informational seminars for legislators, legislative aides, and state agency personnel

Policy Briefs:

Briefing reports synthesizing relevant issues, research, and policy options

Policy Analysis and Research: Research into child and family outcomes associated with various policy options

Policy Updates:

Updates of policy and legislative issues in Ohio

Online Policy & Research Support:

Access to briefing reports, research summaries, and information addressing policy issues

Best-Practice Models:

Recommendations regarding best practice models that reflect research and policy analysis findings

Community Support

Institute staff are available to assist organizations interested in assessing the efficacy of their programs and services and address best practice models through:

- ◆ **Program planning, evaluation, design, and implementation to enhance organization**
- ◆ **Collection, organization, and analysis of qualitative and quantitative data**
- ◆ **Exploration of patterns and outcomes in communities served by agencies and organizations**
- ◆ **Reviews of research and best practice literature**
- ◆ **Develop innovative solutions and tools to organizational issues and problems**
- ◆ **Training and technical assistance**

