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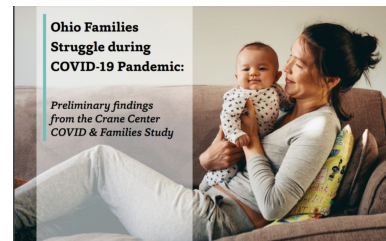
September Featured Content

Ohio Families Struggle during COVID-19 Pandemic

A white paper examining the preliminary findings from the Crane Center at The Ohio State University COVID & Families Study

The ripple effects of the coronavirus pandemic have been far reaching, and go well beyond the health or economic concerns that tend to capture immediate attention. Child-focused researchers and advocates immediately recognized that the virus could pose risks to children and families, in terms of the social isolation, stress, anxiety, and other hardships faced. Recognizing the potential growing crisis for Ohio families and the lack of data surrounding it, leaders from Crane research projects came together to design a rapid-response study of the experiences of families with children during COVID-19.

To better understand what central Ohio parents with young children were experiencing, Crane project researchers **Kammi Schmeer**, **Laura Justice**, **Britt Singletary**, **Kelly Purtell**, and **Tzu-Jung Lin** studied 559 caregivers (primarily parents) with young children living mostly in urban areas in central Ohio. They examined risk of exposure to the virus, social and economic experiences, and psychological distress of caregivers during Ohio's stay-at-home order. They also examined positive experiences had during the crisis. Their preliminary findings offer valuable information about the social and economic conditions of Ohio families and the psychosocial impacts during the early days of the pandemic.



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Insights from the HCGC Blog



Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority Partners with HCGC for Care Coordination Services

By Carrie Baker, President and CEO

HCGC is proud to announce a partnership with the Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority (CMHA.) CMHA helps people access affordable housing through collaborative partnerships to develop, renovate, and maintain housing; promote neighborhood revitalization; and assist residents in accessing needed social services. The important work of CMHA led to a natural collaboration with HCGC and the Central Ohio Pathways HUB (the HUB.) The HUB, a care coordination system managed by HCGC deploys community health workers (CHWs) to connect vulnerable populations in Central Ohio with access to vital care and services.

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Patient Centered Outcomes Research Institute Featured Article

New research shows tailoring diabetes education to meet cultural needs can significantly improve blood sugar levels patients with type 2 diabetes

Kileti Mejbon came to the United States seeking a better life for his children. Now, they are taking care of him. The 63 year old, who hails from the Marshall Islands,



retired from his job in Northwest Arkansas because of symptoms from type 2 diabetes. Doctors diagnosed him with the disease in 2010.

Before that time, he had never heard of diabetes nor did he know the symptoms. But he learned that the tingling he sometimes felt in his hands and feet was a symptom of diabetes.

So, when University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences offered type 2 diabetes education programs as part of a **PCORI-funded study** on improving the condition in the Marshallese community, he eagerly became a participant.

“Before the classes, when I tried walking around my house, my body was shaking, and I didn’t feel comfortable. But now, by following all the exercise and eating all the food I learned that I need to have every day, I feel better,” Mejbon said via his interpreter.

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- [Share Your Experience Breastfeeding Your Youngest Child \(ODH Survey\)](#)
- [Systemic Racism, Disparities and Health: The Impact of COVID-19 on Latino Health](#)
- [Opioid Use Disorder Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery: Webinar](#)
- [Pharmacy Board Issues Guidance on Vaccine Administration during COVID-19 Pandemic](#)
- [CARE-A-Van: Care Package Giveaway](#)
- [OSUWMC Survey on Impact of COVID-19 on Various Populations](#)
- [City of Columbus Office of Diversity and Inclusion Webinar Symposium: Govern: Creating a Culture of Inclusion, Innovation and Impact in Ohio's Public Sector](#)



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