

Westat @ APPAM 2024

Presentations



Thursday, November 21

▶ Session **Context Matters: Exploring Impact Heterogeneity in Employment and Training Programs**

10:15 – 11:45 AM | National Harbor 8

- ▶ Paper: Impacts of Sector-Focused Training Programs in the Time of COVID-19: Lessons from Workadvance and TechHire

Authors: Kelsey Schaberg, Richard Hendra, **Joseph Gasper**, and Joshua Vermette

▶ Session **Food Policy in the United States**

10:15 – 11:45 AM | Potomac 5

- ▶ Paper: Food for Thought: The Intersection Between SNAP Stigma, Food Insecurity, and Gender

Authors: C. Ross Hatton, **Carolyn Bresnahan**, Anna Claire Tucker, Joelle Johnson, Sara John, and Julia Wolfson

Friday, November 22

▶ Session **Caseload Dynamics of SSI and DI Beneficiaries: A Holistic View**

10:15 – 11:45 AM | Chesapeake 2

- ▶ Panel Organizer: **Jeffrey Taylor**

- ▶ Paper: Differences in Earnings Impacts of Supported Employment Among Denied SSA Disability Applicants by Race, Ethnicity, and Gender

Presenting Author: **Jeffrey Taylor**

Authors: **Jeffrey Taylor**, **Jarnee Riley**, David Salkever, **Mustafa Karakus**, Howard Goldman, **Jocelyn Marrow**, and **William Frey**

- ▶ Paper: The Role of Continuing Disability Reviews in Child SSI Participation Patterns

Presenting Author: **Dave Wittenburg**

Authors: Jeffrey Hemmeter, Michael Levere, and **Dave Wittenburg**

- ▶ Paper: How Many Medicaid Recipients Might be Eligible for SSI?

Authors: Michael Levere and **Dave Wittenburg**

▶ Session **Supporting Healthy Nutrition in Child Care: How the Child and Adult Care Program Helps Child Care Providers, and Where It Can Improve**

3:30 – 5:00 PM | Azalea 1

- ▶ Panel organizer: **Maeve Gearing**

- ▶ Paper: The Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on Family Child Care Home Providers: Evidence from a National Survey

Presenting Author: **Maeve Gearing**

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▶ **Session Barriers to and Facilitators of Employment for People with Behavioral Health Conditions**

3:30 – 5:00 PM | National Harbor 8

- ▶ Paper: Racial Disparities in Barriers to Work Among Denied Disability Applicants with a Mental Health Impairment
Presenting Author: **Jarnee Riley**

Saturday, November 23

▶ **Roundtable Equity in Grantmaking: A Review of Barriers and Strategies for Funders Considering Improvement Opportunities**

10:15 – 11:45 AM | Potomac 6

- ▶ Organizer and moderator: **Sonya Streeter**

▶ **Session How Do Policies Affect the Employment of People with Disabilities and Their Caregivers?**

10:15 – 11:45 AM | National Harbor 7

- ▶ Paper: Patterns of Engagement in Services and Participation in Work Among Enrollees of the Supported Employment Demonstration
Presenting Author: **Mustafa Karakus**
Authors: **Mustafa Karakus, Jeffrey Taylor, Jarnee Riley,** and Howard Goldman

▶ **Session Saturday Poster Luncheon**

12:00 – 1:30 PM | Potomac AB

- ▶ Poster: Mapping Open Source Software: A Bibliometric Approach to Attributing Credit and Measuring Impact
Presenting Author: **Nicholas Askew**
Authors: **Gizem Korkmaz, Nicholas Askew,** and Clara Boothby

▶ **Session Food Assistance Programs and the Food Retail Environment**

3:30 – 5:00 PM | Chesapeake 2

- ▶ Discussant: **Sarah Charnes**

▶ **Session Employment Barriers and Training Opportunities for Foreign-Born Workers in the United States**

3:30 – 5:00 PM | National Harbor 8

- ▶ Panel Organizer: **Gizem Korkmaz**
Discussant: **Allison Hyra**
- ▶ Paper: Bridging the Gap for New Americans
Presenting Authors: **Gizem Korkmaz, Debra Wright,** and **Jenny Nguyen**
Authors: **Gizem Korkmaz, Debra Wright, Jenny Nguyen, Michael DiBello, Benjamin Muz,** and **Allison Hyra**

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Special Event | Saturday, November 23**▶ Roundtable *Scaling Equitable Evaluation Practices within Research Firms (Social Equity and Race)***

10:15 – 11:45 AM | National Harbor 3 (2nd Floor (Ballroom Level), Gaylord National Harbor)

The Equity & Evidence Collaborative consists of nine research firms that have been sharing practices for equitable research and evaluation since 2021. These firms often serve as contracted evaluators of state and federal programs, many of which serve historically excluded or economically insecure populations. This roundtable will feature representatives from multiple firms to discuss strategies, approaches and challenges of scaling equitable research practices in contract research firms.

▶ Organizer: Rekha Balu, Urban Institute

Moderator: Ann Bickerton, The James Irvine Foundation

Speakers: Rekha Balu, Urban Institute; Ashani Johnson-Turbes, NORC at the University of Chicago; Katrina Bledsoe, Abt Global; Dara Lewis, MDRC; **Lashawn Richburg-Hayes, Westat**