Early Childhood Interventions Working Group

Inaugural Conference

Organized by James J. Heckman, Burton Singer, Richard Tremblay, Seong Hyeok Moon, and Rodrigo Pinto

Human Capital and Economic Opportunity Global Working Group
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Swift Hall
University of Chicago, 1025 E. 58th Street, Chicago IL 60637

Program

12:30 - 1:30pm  Lunch

1:30 - 2:00pm  Welcoming remarks, James J. Heckman (University of Chicago)

2:00 - 3:45pm  **Session 1: Strengthening Methodology**

Moderator: Burton Singer (University of Florida)

Speakers:

Stephen Raudenbush (University of Chicago)
“Studying the Impact of Program Participation in Multi-Site Trials Using Instrumental Variables”

Susan Murphy (University of Michigan)
“Getting SMART About Adapting Interventions”

Rodrigo Pinto (University of Chicago)
“Statistical and Econometric Issues in Evaluating Early Childhood Interventions”

4:00 - 5:45pm  **Session 2: Measuring Vulnerabilities and Outcomes**

Moderator: Seong Hyeok Moon (University of Chicago)

Speakers:

Jeanne Brooks-Gunn (Columbia University)
“Fragile Families: Implications for Parenting and Child Well-Being”

Eric Pakulak (University of Oregon)
“Experiential, Genetic, and Epigenetic Effects on Human Neurocognitive Development”

Stephen Suomi (NICHD)
“Epigenetic Consequences of Early Social Experiences in Rhesus Monkeys.”

6:00pm  Depart from Swift Hall to Osteria Via Stato. Transportation will be provided.

6:30-9:15pm  Reception and Dinner, Osteria Via Stato, 620 N. State Street, Chicago, IL 60610

9:15pm  Dinner adjourns. Transportation will be provided from Osteria to hotels (Radisson blu and Silversmith).