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NRFC Webinar Series

Two-Generation Approaches to Working with Fathers Resources

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This webinar – *Two-Generation Approaches to Working with Fathers* – provided an overview of the latest two-generation research and discussed ways in which the concepts might be applied to fatherhood work. Two-generation approaches attend to the needs of parents or caregivers and their children simultaneously. Most two-generation work to date has been with mothers and their children. Although the ultimate goal of most fatherhood programs is enhanced child well-being, only a few focus directly on the needs of fathers and their children. Two-generation approaches that link services for fathers with services for children could increase program impacts and amplify outcomes for children and families. Some child-focused programs, particularly in the Head Start community, are providing services for fathers of participating children; there may also be opportunities for father-focused programs to link with established educational or health services for children.

The following resources may be helpful for fatherhood programs and fathers.

Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation (OPRE)
[Two-Generation Approaches to Improving Family Self-Sufficiency, 2015–2017](#) – overview of a project that seeks to better understand two-generation approaches and provide options for how emerging models might be evaluated.

The Annie E. Casey Foundation

[Learn More: A Collection of Resources on Two-Generation Approaches](#)

ASCEND at the Aspen Institute

[Fathers are Critical to Families' Climb up the Economic Ladder](#) - This 2014 resource, focusing on father involvement, includes an overview of the topic and suggestions for how organizations can take two-generation action to help fathers and families.

[Two-Generation Playbook](#) – A guide that combines infographics, data, and information to explain the operation of two-generation approaches, their core components, and areas of emerging opportunities for implementation.

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[The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act and Two-Generation Strategies](#) – a look at WIOA offers opportunities to advance two-generation strategies around workforce development and post-secondary programs.

Child Trends

[Moving Parents and Children Out Of Poverty: A Two-Generation Approach](#)

CLASP

[Two-Generational Strategies Can Help Fathers, Too](#) – this 2015 brief looks at research that shows if noncustodial parents - mostly young men - are successfully employed and in healthy relationships in their own lives, they can also contribute to more successful outcomes for their children, both financially and emotionally.

OFA Peer TA Network

[Links to Two-Generation Resources](#)

United States Department of Agriculture

[Rural Integration Models for Parents and Children to Thrive \(IMPACT\)](#) demonstration project

Papers/Articles

[Two \(Or More\) Generation Frameworks: A Look Across and Within](#) – A 2014 article by Janice M. Gruendel that examines two-generation frameworks from the following organizations: 1) The Annie E. Casey Foundation; 2) Ascend at the Aspen Institute; 3) The National Human Services Assembly, in collaboration with the Annie E. Casey Foundation; 4) The Ray Marshall Center for the Study of Human Resources at the University of Texas, in collaboration with Ascend at the Aspen Institute and the Foundation for Child Development; and 5) The MOMS Partnership, in collaboration with Yale University and the Annie E. Casey Foundation.

[Helping Parents, Helping Children: Two-Generation Mechanisms](#) – March 2014 issue of *Future of Children* with a collection of articles focused on two-generation approaches and programs aimed at improving children's development.