

Overview of Annual Research Topics/Literature Review December, 2020

Upcoming Events

Alliance for Children's Rights. February 26, 2021; 11:00 AM -3:00 PM PST. The Path to Racial Equity in Child Welfare: Valuing Family and Community. Free Virtual Summit bringing together a diverse group of practitioners, advocate, and people with lived experience.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/the-path-to-racial-equity-in-child-welfare-valuing-family-and-community-tickets-133784429831>

Adult Welfare

Washington Post. December 1, 2020. Lena H. Sun & Isaac Stanley-Becker. Health Care Workers and Nursing Home Residents Should be the First to Get Coronavirus Vaccine, CDC Advisory Group Says. The article discusses the priority groups will be these two groups.

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/health/2020/12/01/vaccine-priority-groups-covid/>

CNBC.com December 14, 2020. Sarah O'Brien. Not All Older People Can get a Covid 19 Vaccine Right Away. Most Will Have to Wait. The article advises that for those 65 or older, vaccines could happen in the first couple of months of 2021.

<https://www.cnbc.com/2020/12/14/not-all-seniors-will-get-covid-vaccine-quickly-most-will-have-to-wait.html>

Child Welfare

Eurekalert.org News Release December 22, 2020. University of Rochester. How the American Child Welfare System Lost its Way. The article discusses the history of child welfare and a shift that targeted poor families with unnecessary investigations.

https://www.eurekalert.org/pub_releases/2020-12/uor-hta122220.php

Annie E. Casey Foundation. December, 2020. Kids Families and Covid 19. The publication addresses the unprecedented issues facing children and families tied to the pandemic.

<https://www.aecf.org/resources/kids-families-and-covid-19//>

Drought

December, 2020, Drought Update.

<http://drought.unl.edu/>

Health/COVID 19

CNBC. December 5,2020. Noah Higgins-Dunn. Southern California and San Joaquin Valley Trigger Stay at Home Order as ICU Capacity Drops. The article discusses two California regions, San Joaquin Valley and Southern California now have stay at home orders because the intensive care units fell below 15%.

<https://www.cNBC.com/2020/12/05/coronavirus-southern-california-san-joaquin-valley-trigger-stay-at-home-order.html>

Yahoo.com/AP Washington. December 8, 2020. Luran Neergaard & Matthew Perrone. Pfizer Vaccine Moves Closer to Getting the OK in the US. The article advised the US regulators have indicated the Pfizer Vaccine offers strong protections.

<https://news.yahoo.com/u-regulators-post-positive-review-130718437.html>

NYTIMES.com December 26, 2020. Jan Hoffman. **Early Vaccine Doubter Now Show a Willingness to Roll Up Their Sleeves.** The article discussed polls showing that people are now showing a willingness to take the vaccine.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/12/26/health/covid-vaccine-hesitancy.html>

NYpost.com - AP December 10, 2020. **Only Half of American Adults Want Covid 19 Vaccine.** The article discussed poll findings that of American Adults only half want the vaccine.

<https://nypost.com/2020/12/10/half-of-american-adults-want-covid-19-vaccine-poll/>

AP – Top News December, 17, 2020. Alanna Durkin Richer & John Antczak. **California Hospitals Buckle as Virus Cases Surge.** The article discusses, in part the Central Valley, where the region and migrant workers have a lack of transportation for health care, and they have jobs that do not allow them to work from home.

<https://apnews.com/article/ap-top-news-california-coronavirus-pandemic-56d285bac1b34bbfad417f0449de4f68>

NYtimes.com December 23, 2020. **Monitoring the Coronavirus Outbreak in Metro Areas Across the US.** In the overview, Fresno is listed as one of the top two areas with cases rising the fastest.

<https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2020/04/23/upshot/five-ways-to-monitor-coronavirus-outbreak-us.html>

Fresno Bee December 29. Thaddeus Miller. **Fresno County Adds 463 New Covid 19 Cases. Stay at Home Order Extended.** The article advised the six county regions of Fresno, Kings, Madera, Mariposa, Merced and Tulare had 1,359 new cases.

<https://www.fresnobee.com/news/local/article248157560.html>

Immigration

New York Times. December 4, 2020. Caitlan Dickerson & Michael D. Shear. **Judge Orders Government to Fully Reinstate DACA Program.** The article

explained that on Friday, a Federal Judge ordered the Trump administration to fully restore the DACA program.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/12/04/us/daca-reinstated.html>

United States Citizenship and Immigration Services. December 9, 2020. Update Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals. The notice advises that pursuant to a Court Order on December 7, 2020, they will be taking DACA first time requests, renewals, advanced parole documents, and extending one-year grants and employment authorization.

<https://www.uscis.gov/news/alerts/deferred-action-for-childhood-arrivals-response-to-december-4-2020-order-in-batalla-vidal-et-al-v>

Poverty

NYTimes.com December 19, 2020. Carly Stern and Nicholas Bogel-Burroughs. Americans Scraming by Say They Fear a Second Stimulus Will Not Be Enough. The article showcased Americans who fear the Stimulus will only make a dent in their needs.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/12/19/us/congress-stimulus-reactions.html>

Washingtonpost.com December 16, 2020. Heather Long. Nearly 8 Million Americans Have Fallen into Poverty Since the Summer. The article discusses the rate of poverty in the nation has surged over the past five months.

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/business/2020/12/16/poverty-rising/>

Pension

WSJ.com December 9, 2020. Heather Gillers. Covid-19 Pandemic Puts Squeeze on Pension Plans. The article discusses the hard choices Pension Managers face as they may need to seek more money from employers and workers.

<https://www.wsj.com/articles/covid-19-pandemic-puts-squeeze-on-pension-plans-11607509801>

Blog.transparent California. Appellate Brief Filed in Cal Pers Public Records Lawsuit. Transparent California is appealing a Sacramento County Superior Court Ruling that allows CalPERS to withhold records that identify if someone

has a service or disability classification. Transparent California argues, this would help identify fraud.

<https://blog.transparentcalifornia.com/2020/12/01/appellate-brief-filed-in-calpers-public-records-lawsuit/>

NBCSandiego.com December 26, 2020. Ramon Galindo. Unemployment Benefits Lapse for Millions as Trumps Plan for Relief is Uncertain. The article discussed the unemployment benefits ran out Saturday for millions of Americans who lost their job during the pandemic.

<https://www.nbcsandiego.com/news/local/unemployment-benefits-lapse-for-millions-as-trumps-plan-for-relief-is-uncertain/2480907/>