# Overview of Annual Research Topics/Literature Review

November 2023

# **Upcoming Events**

John Burton Advocates for Youth. FAFSA/CADAA Webinar Training for Adult Supporters of Youth with Experience in Foster Care or With Homelessness. December 6, 2023, at 10:00 AM (Pacific Time)

# Link to Registration:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN Deihh8sFSiOQvEW0dn1 aw#/registration

# **Adult Welfare:**

California Government. November 2023. Proclamation. Governor Newson Proclaims Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month.

## Link to Proclamation:

https://www.gov.ca.gov/2023/11/02/governor-newsom-proclaims-alzheimers-disease-awareness-month/

# **Child Welfare**

John Burton Advocates for Youth. Youth Law Center. Civil Rights Movement. October 30, 3023. Ramon T. Flores and Daniel J. Losen. Lost Instruction Time in California Schools. The Disparate Harm from Post Pandemic Punitive Suspensions. The study included but was not limited to Foster Youth, Migrant Youth, Homeless Youth, and a variety of other populations.

# **Link to Study:**

https://youthlaw.org/sites/default/files/attachments/2023-10/Lost Instruction Time CA Schools October 2023.pdf John Burton Advocates for Youth. November 2023. Andy Lomeli, Amy Lemley & Simone Tureck Lee. What's Stopping California from Maximizing Federal Housing Assistance. This report analyzes the status of the federal Housing Choice Vouchers for Transition Age Former Foster Youth in California.

# Link to Report:

https://jbay.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/11/Whats-Stopping-California-from-Maximizing-Federal-Housing-Assistance.pdf

Children Now: November 3, 2023. Transformational Medical CalAim Reform Have Yet to Reach Children and Youth. The document discusses what needs to occur to realize CalAim's goals for children and youth. The document suggests the State must recommit to building the infrastructure and workforce to serve children and youth populations, while also holding managed care plans accountable for improving access and quality of care for children and families.

#### Link to Research:

https://www.childrennow.org/blog/transformational-medical-calaim-reforms-have-yet-to-reach-children-and-youth/

Chapin Hall. November 2023. Leanne Heaton, Colin Cepuran, Yasmin Grewal-Kok, Clare Anderson, Jennifer Gaul-Stout, Matt Lyons, Meg Dygert. Economic & Concrete Supports. National Landscape Survey Research Report. The report addresses a body of evidence that demonstrates the effects of economic and concrete support to reduce risk for child maltreatment and child welfare involvement.

# Link to Research Report:

https://www.chapinhall.org/wp-content/uploads/Chapin-Hall APHSA ECS-Full-Research-Report Nov2023.pdf

Chapin Hall. November 2023. Julie S. McCrae, Alyssa T. Broxton, Samanta Steinmetz, Katherine L Casillas. Advancing Equitable Outcomes in Child Welfare. A Toolkit for Sustainability.

## Link to Toolkit

https://www.chapinhall.org/wp-content/uploads/Chapin-Hall LSA-FSI-Toolkit October-2023.pdf

Child Welfare Information Highway/Children's Bureau. Adoption/Outreach Tool Kit. November 2023

### Link to Toolkit:

https://www.childwelfare.gov/pubPDFs/nam-outreach-toolkit.pdf

# **Drought:**

Los Angeles Times. November 7, 2023. Terry Castleman. California's Extreme Weather Whiplash: So Long, Drought. Hello, El Nino. The article discussed, less than a year after facing historic water shortages, California this week was declared drought-free.

## Link to Article:

https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2023-11-07/california-is-drought-free

# **Health:**

Cal Matters. November 6, 2023. Shreya Agrawal. California's 'Tripledemic' Season is off to a Mild Start. What to Know about Flu, RSV and Covid. The article discusses new vaccines for RSV and an updated booster for Covid-19 give Californians more tools to protect themselves from respiratory viruses this fall.

#### **Link to Article:**

https://calmatters.org/health/2023/11/california-flu-rsv-covid-2023-outlook/

Los Angeles Times. November 14, 2023. Los Angeles Times Staff. The document provides data on covid cases in California.

# Link to Tracking:

https://www.latimes.com/projects/california-coronavirus-cases-tracking-outbreak/

US News. November 27, 2023. Cecelia-Smith-Schoenwalder. New Covid Hospitalizations Increase. The article discusses national Covid Hospital admissions increased nearly 10%, according to data from the CDA.

## Link to Article:

https://www.usnews.com/news/health-news/articles/2023-11-27/new-covid-19-hospitalizations-increase

# **Poverty:**

Cal Matters. Dan Walters, Commentary. November 5, 2023. What Should be done to lower California's Highest in Nation Poverty Rate? The article discusses guaranteed income to lift people out of poverty.

#### Link to Article:

https://calmatters.org/commentary/2023/11/lower-california-highest-poverty-rate/

Cal Matters. Brian Jones, Commentary. November 6, 2023. California Needs to Change its Homelessness Policies, Not Spend More Money. The commentary said throwing money at the problem will not solve the problem, emphasizing accountability and building more housing and mental health facilities were part of solutions discussed.

## Link to Article:

https://calmatters.org/commentary/2023/11/change-homelessness-policies-spend-more/

Cal Matters. November 16, 2023. Justo Robles. A Christmas Without Lights? Families Struggle to Pay Bills as California Regulators Consider Electric Rate Increases. The article discusses how millions in the state struggle to pay their electric bills. PG&E is wanting a rate hike to tied to safety and reliability of their services.

#### **Link to Article:**

https://calmatters.org/california-divide/2023/11/electric-rates-california/

Cal Matters. Jeanne Kuang. November 20, 2023. Across California, Eviction Cases Have Returned to – or Surpassed – Pre-Pandemic Levels. The article advised that the year after the moratorium ended, eviction cases soared and remained high in large counties.

#### **Link to Article:**

https://calmatters.org/housing/homelessness/2023/11/california-evictions-post-pandemic/

Cal Matters. November 29, 2023. Cynthia Strathmann. The Private Sector is Failing to Address California's Housing Crisis. Social Housing Shows Promise. The commentary discusses why the state needs solutions like social housing to assist with the affordable housing issue.

## **Link to Article:**

https://calmatters.org/commentary/2023/11/social-housing-solution-private-sector/