# Overview of Annual Research Topics/Literature Review

October 2021

# **Upcoming Events**

NAPSA (National Adult Protective Services Association). Annual Conference. November 6 – 12, 2021. San Diego California.

Conference information can be found here:

https://www.napsa-now.org/about-napsa/annual-conference/

Link to booking options:

https://book.passkey.com/gt/218146798?gtid=dc38b307c1952b725ca234e172d766b0

John Burton Advocates for Youth. Webinar. November 4, 2021. 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM. How Covid 19 Rent Relief Funds Can Help Foster Youth Facing the Housing Cliff.

**Link to Webinar Information:** 

https://jbay.org/events/housing-cliff-webinar/

**Link to Webinar Registration:** 

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_XjYOB3ZOSUGHQPs1o1b\_EA

John Burton Advocates for Youth. Webinar. November 16, 2021. 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM. Breaking Down Barriers: Tools for Supporting Students Experiencing Homelessness and Housing Insecurity.

### **Adult Welfare**

Los Angeles Times – E newspaper. October 4, 2021. A Times Report on Hospice Abuse/Fraud Spurs 2 Bills. The article discusses the result of their report on hospice kickbacks and patient recruiting resulted in two state bills tied to reform and hospice oversight.

Link to report:

https://enewspaper.latimes.com/desktop/latimes/default.aspx?token=42e23962a5 d74614be16bae3d62d13e7&utm\_id=38987&sfmc\_id=2496921&edid=c8ce1340cc74-4a78-96ef-697b10c329c1

US News. October 6, 2021. Steven Reinberg. Depression In Early Life May Up Dementia Risk Later. The article explains that the study involved 6,000 adults; and explained that cognitive impairment was 73% higher for those who had symptoms of depression in early adulthood.

Link to article:

https://www.usnews.com/news/health-news/articles/2021-10-06/depression-inearly-life-may-up-dementia-risk-later

US News. October 11, 2021. When Covid Triggers Loss of Smell, Younger Patients Recover It Sooner. The article advises that most under 40 regain their sense of smell within a few months; longer for those older or with pre-existing health conditions.

Link to article:

https://www.usnews.com/news/health-news/articles/2021-10-11/when-covid-triggers-loss-of-smell-younger-patients-recover-it-sooner

# **Child Welfare**

Fresno Bee. October 10, 2021. Robert Rodriguez. Fresno County DA's Service Dogs Played a Key Role in Convicting Child Molester. The article discussed the benefits for both children and adults having to testify about trauma. Link to article:

https://www.fresnobee.com/news/local/article254814432.html

John Burton Advocates for Youth. Last Updated October 12, 2021. Financial Aid Guide for California Foster Youth.

**Link to Publication:** 

https://jbay.org/resources/financial-aid-guide/

The Hill. October 21, 2021. Jordan Williams. Oklahoma Woman Convicted of Manslaughter Get 4 Years. The article discusses an Oklahoma woman who had a miscarriage. The mother used drugs/methamphetamine, although cause of death the article said was not clear.

Link to article:

https://thehill.com/blogs/blog-briefing-room/news/577876-oklahoma-woman-convicted-of-manslaughter-get-4-years-after

Fresno Bee. October 27, 2021. Yesenia Amaro. State: Fresno County Could Face Penalties for Housing Children in Unlicensed Facilities. The article advised that California has warned Fresno County they can't house children in an unlicensed facility; under state law, they could be subject to penalties. Link to article:

https://www.fresnobee.com/news/local/article255217516.html

#### **Drought**

National Drought Mitigation Center. Drought Update October 2021. Link to report:

http://drought.unl.edu/

Cal Matters. October 10, 2021. Newsome Declares Drought Emergency Across California. The article advises Governor Newsom expands the California Drought Emergency from 50 Counties to Statewide.

Link to report:

https://calmatters.org/environment/2021/10/california-drought-newsomemergency/

# **Health**

Fresno Bee. October 2, 2021. Tim Sheehan. One Town in Fresno County Excels in Covid Vaccinations. How the Others Stack Up. The article discusses Biola leading in the region with an 80% vaccination rate, and at least 94% have been partially vaccinated.

Link to article:

https://www.fresnobee.com/news/coronavirus/article254658742.ht

Fresno Bee. October 7, 2021. Tim Sheehan. How Many Vaccinated People Have Caught COVID-19 in Fresno and the Valley? The article advised from January 2021 through September 2021 48,000 people have gotten the virus in the Valley. 92% of this number have been unvaccinated.

Link to article:

https://www.fresnobee.com/news/coronavirus/article254758477.html

NPR. October 11, 2021. Associated Press. Merck Asks FDA to Authorize Promising Anti-Covid Pill. The article explains that if the drug is cleared by the FDA in a couple of weeks, it would be the first pill to treat COVID 19. Link to article:

https://www.npr.org/2021/10/11/1045005513/merck-asks-fda-to-authorize-promising-anti-covid-pill

Fresno Bee. October 29, 2021. Nadia Lopez. Covid Misinformation is Rampant Among California Latinos. One Artist is Fighting Back. The article showcases Lalo Alcaraz, who promotes COVID-19 vaccinations through his illustrations.

Link to article:

https://www.fresnobee.com/news/local/article255361966.html

KFF. October 26, 2021. Nambi Nduggs, Lotoya Hill, Samantha Artiga, Sweta Haldar. Latest Data on Covid-19 Vaccinations by Race/Ethnicity. The article provides data on Covid 19, vaccinations by race and ethnicity. Link to article:

https://www.kff.org/coronavirus-covid-19/issue-brief/latest-data-on-covid-19-vaccinations-by-race-ethnicity/

# **Immigration**

John Burton Advocates for Youth/Immigrant Legal Resource Center. October 2, 2021. Screening Questions of Immigrant Youth.

Link to Tool:

https://www.ilrc.org/sites/default/files/resources/screening\_questions\_for\_immig\_rant\_youth.pdf

Fresno Bee. October 10, 2021. Nadia Lopez. California Low Wage Workers no Longer Have Covid Paid Sick Leave. The article advised that a California Law that provided employees with extended paid time off during the pandemic has expired.

Link to article:

https://www.fresnobee.com/news/local/article254875742.html

#### **Poverty**

Cal Matters. October 10, 2021. Fred Blakewell. Federal Housing Investments are Key to a Thriving California. The article encourages housing priorities be kept in the Build Back Better legislation.

#### Link to article:

https://calmatters.org/commentary/2021/10/federal-housing-investments-are-key-to-a-thriving-california/

Cal Matters. October 18, 2021. Manuela A. Tobias. California is Increasing Enforcement of its Housing Goals: Will it Work? The articles discussed a new team at the State Housing and Community Development Agency that enforces housing laws on the books.

Link to article:

https://calmatters.org/housing/2021/10/california-housing-podcast-enforcement/

### **Pension**

California Health Advocates. Bonnie Burns. Cal Pers Premium Increases – Class Action Settlement are not related. The article explains that Cal Pers long term care members received a premium increase notice of 52% while there is a settlement in a class action lawsuit against Cal Pers long term care program. These are separate events.

Link to article:

https://cahealthadvocates.org/calpers-update-2021-premium-increases-class-action-settlement-are-not-related/