Resources

The MOMS Partnership
The website for this initiative includes a rich set of resources, from policy to data. See the 2013 Data Report and information on the use of smart phone applications (MoMBA) to address maternal social isolation and depression and to promote the enhancement of executive function skills.

Of note: The Wrap Around New Haven initiative has just been awarded a three-year CMS Round Two Health Care Reform Innovation Grant. The work will be guided by the Clifford Beers Child Guidance Clinic in New Haven and includes the MOMS Partnership as a core program element.

Maternal Depression
Several recent papers have found that maternal depression (often associated with trauma and adverse experiences) can have a strong negative effect on their young children’s development. Maternal depression is particularly prevalent among women living under chronic economic stress. Key resources include:

- Linking depressed mothers to effective services and supports: A policy and systems agenda to enhance children’s development and prevent child abuse and neglect. Urban Institute (2013)
- Maternal depression: Why it matters to an anti-poverty agenda for parents and children. CLASP (2014)

The Foundation for Child Development
The Foundation’s website includes a section on “dual-generation” strategies, including a resource listing, with access to extensive publications related to the Foundation’s multi-generational work. Of note, the Foundation is partnered with the Ray Marshall Center at the University of Texas at Austin in this work.

Ascend at the Aspen Institute
Ascend at the Aspen Institute continues to rapidly expand its human capital and financial investments in its “Two Generation” approach. These resources are described on the Two Generation Strategies section of its website. Ascend also provides info-graphics and other materials that may be downloaded and used by policy makers, programs and professionals, reflective of its substantive attention to the fundamental need to advance strategic communications related to two-generation approaches. An excellent example of this is the Two Generation Playbook (January 2014).

This recently published issue of the Future of Children examines past and present multi-generational contributions and challenges anchored in the following topics:

- Introduction: Two-Generation Mechanisms of Child Development
- Two-Generation Programs in the Twenty-First Century
- Stress and Child Development
- Intergenerational Payoffs of Education
Two-Generation Programs and Health
Boosting Family Income to Promote Child Development
Parents' Employment and Children's Wellbeing
Family Assets and Child Outcomes: Evidence and Directions.

The website also provides two-page [Executive Summary] and a [Policy Brief] entitled “Early Stress Gets under the Skin: Promising Initiatives to Help Children Facing Chronic Adversity” by Ross Thompson and Ron Haskins.

**New Federal Grant Opportunity: Early Head Start – Child Care Partnerships**
Just over half a billion dollars is included in the federal budget to build effective Early Head Start – Child Care Partnerships. The application will be released shortly with a submission date of August 4.

Early Head Start is an evidence-based program that is built within a multi-generational framework. This grant will require and support new and expanded partnerships between Early Head Start (current, if funded, and new programs under the grant) and the child care/Head Start sector. It will also enable the blending and braiding of funds to assure that all infants and toddlers served receive the full Early Head Start service continuum.

Extensive resources are available on the website of the [BUILD Initiative]. Within 72 hours of release of the application, BUILD will provide a line by line analysis of the grant to assist and support potential applications across the nation.