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# CHILD AND FAMILY CENTER FOR INNOVATIVE RESEARCH (CFCIR)

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# CFCIR Goal and Objectives

The overall goal of the Child and Family Center for Innovative Research (CFCIR) at the University of Houston is to **improve youth and family well-being, strengthen interpersonal relationships, and promote social justice.**

CFCIR Objectives:

- 1. Provide a platform for conducting research and engaging faculty and staff in community-based projects using innovative methods and approaches.**
- 2. Collaborate with national, state and local agencies to perform child and family service and workforce analyses.**

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3. **Develop and test innovative treatment and strategic plans** through funded research to improve child and family services.
4. **Identify effective prevention and evaluative measures and treatment programs** for children, youth and families across diverse cultural backgrounds, especially among ethnic minorities and LGBTQX communities.
5. **Provide a platform for interdisciplinary collaboration**, between government and not-for-profit agencies and among community organizations, scholars and other service providers, from local to global, aiming to ensure health development for all youths and stop family and interpersonal violence.

# Current (2018) Grants in CFCIR

Grant Title	Dates	P.I.	Funding Source
1) Child Welfare Education Project (CWEP)-New Contract Number 530-09-0214-00001	7/1/2010 6/30/2024	<b>Cheung, Monit</b>	Department of Family and Protective (DFPS) Title IV-E Social Security
2) Child Welfare Education Project 2017-2018	7/1/2017 6/30/2018	<b>Cheung, Monit</b>	DFPS Title IV-E Social Security
3) Civic Engagement through the Voices of Latino/A Youth: Exploring Definitions, Supports, and Barriers	10/1/2017 3/31/2018	<b>Pritzker, Suzanne</b>	University of Denver
4) Disclosure Preferences of Older Latinos with Advanced Cancer & their Caregivers	9/25/2015 7/31/2018	<b>Torres, Isabel</b>	National Institute of Nursing Research
5) Evaluating Homeless Programs	7/1/2017 6/30/2018	<b>Parrish, Danielle</b>	Search Homeless Services
6) 2018 DFPS Compensation Review: A Follow-up Study	3/1/2018 12/31/2018	<b>Leung, Patrick</b>	DFPS
7) 2017 DFPS Compensation Assessment and Employee Incentive Review	2/11/2017 8/31/2017	<b>Leung, Patrick</b>	DFPS
8) 2016 DFPS Compensation Assessment and Employee Incentive Review	8/1/2016 2/10/2017	<b>Leung, Patrick</b>	DFPS
9) Evaluation of Project HYPE	9/30/2015 9/29/2018	<b>Jennings, Sheara</b>	Change Happens
10) Guidelines for Managing Information Related to Sexual Orientation and Gender Expression and Identity of Children in Child Welfare Systems (Evaluation)	7/1/2015 6/30/2018	<b>Washburn, Micki</b>	Center for the Study of Social Policy
11) Residual Funds for Dr. Sarah Narendorf in The Graduate College of Social Work	9/1/2015 8/31/2025	<b>Narendorf, Sarah</b>	University of Houston - Residual Funds
12) Social Experiences in Assisted Living: Resident Health and Well-being	5/1/2017 4/30/2018	<b>Narendorf, Sarah</b>	National Science Foundation
13) Tablet-based intervention to prevent substance-exposed pregnancy in primary care	9/10/2015 6/30/2018	<b>Parrish, Danielle</b>	University of Texas at Austin



# Funded Research 2017 in CFCIR

Project Title	P.I.s
1. DFPS Compensation Assessment and Employee Incentives Review (Part II)	Patrick Leung Monit Cheung
2. Title IV-E Child Welfare Education Project	Monit Cheung
3. GLOBE-Youth: Culturally Sensitive Behavioral Health Training for Social Workers	McClain Sampson
4. DFPS Compensation Assessment and Employee Incentives Review (Part I)	Patrick Leung Monit Cheung
6. Capitalizing Connections Between Public Health and Child Welfare Systems: Building the Evidence Base for Cross-sector Collaboration to Promote Black Infant Health	Reiko Boyd
7. Filial Responsibility and Acculturation among Chinese-American Family Caregivers of Older Adults in Houston, Texas: Mental and Health Impact	Christina Miyawaki
8. Evaluation of Project HYPE	Sheara Jennings
9. Tablet-based intervention to prevent substance-exposed pregnancy in primary care	Danielle Parrish

# Other Collaborative Research with a Child and Family Focus

Project Title	PI
1. <b>Gilead Grant (Four research centers collaborated)</b>	Samira Ali
2. Guidelines for Managing Information Related to Sexual Orientation and Gender Expression and Identity of Children in Child Welfare Systems (Evaluation)	Alan Dettlaff
3. Integration Initiative - 13-31Y	Alan Dettlaff
4. Integration Initiative – Technical Assistance and Training 14-11R	Alan Dettlaff
5. Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Questioning Youth in the Child Welfare System	Alan Dettlaff
6. 3/40 BLUEPRINT: Creating the Blueprint to Reduce LGBTQ Youth Homelessness	Alan Dettlaff and Sarah Narendorf
7. National Quality Improvement Center on Tailored Services, Placement Stability and Permanency for LGBTQ Children and Youth in Foster Care (Pending)	Alan Dettlaff

# GCSW Center Directors Collaboration: Gilead Grant to Establish a COMPASS Center: SUSTAIN

CENTER FOR MENTAL  
HEALTH RESEARCH AND  
INNOVATIONS IN  
TREATMENT ENGAGEMENT  
AND SERVICE

CHILD AND FAMILY  
CENTER FOR INNOVATIVE  
RESEARCH

CENTER FOR LATINA  
MATERNAL AND FAMILY  
HEALTH RESEARCH

CENTER FOR DRUG AND  
SOCIAL POLICY RESEARCH

As a multidisciplinary university research center, the overall objective of the Center for Drug and Social Policy Research (CDSPR) is the development of new knowledge in substance abuse and related social problems.

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