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Newsletter for Professionals

# Partnerships for Families

*A collaborative research project*

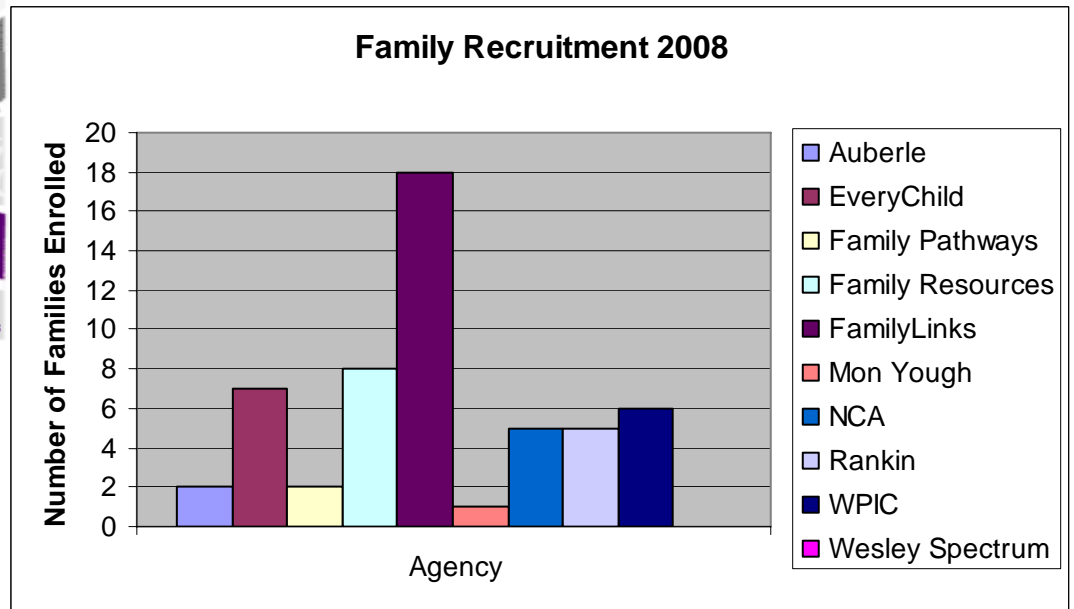
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## DID YOU KNOW?

AF-CBT is one of only a few scientifically validated interventions for families with identified problems with physical discipline and/or physical abuse.



WE WELCOME WESLEY SPECTRUM TO THE RECRUITMENT PROCESS!

## Research Team

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- We depend on your referrals. Without you, we have no project!
- All 5 - 15 year olds are eligible, regardless of abuse history.
- Remember to record your sessions, and most importantly, turn in the audio files!

**Thank you to everyone who has turned in audio files, we appreciate all that you do!**

“If only you could sense how important you are to the lives of those you meet; how important you can be to people you may never even dream of. There is something of yourself that you leave at every meeting with another person.”

*Fred Rogers*

## Collaborating Agencies

**Auberle**  
[www.auberle.org](http://www.auberle.org)

**Every Child**  
[www.everychildinc.org](http://www.everychildinc.org)

**Family Links**  
[www.familylinks.org](http://www.familylinks.org)

**Family Pathways**  
[www.familypathways.net](http://www.familypathways.net)

**Family Resources**  
[www.familyresourcesofpa.org](http://www.familyresourcesofpa.org)

**Mon Yough**  
[www.mycs.org](http://www.mycs.org)

**NCA**  
[www.nca-pgh.org](http://www.nca-pgh.org)

**Rankin Christian Center**  
[www.rankinchristiancenter.org](http://www.rankinchristiancenter.org)

**Wesley Spectrum**  
<http://www.wesleyspectrum.org/>

**WPIC**  
[wpic.upmc.com/clinicalsvcs.htm](http://wpic.upmc.com/clinicalsvcs.htm)

## Spotlight on our Top Recruiter: FAMILYLINKS



Thanks to FamilyLinks initiatives like the new Kelly Street Apartments (shown above), families reunite and rebuild.

FamilyLinks has a history that spans more than 80 years in the delivery of quality social services to Allegheny County residents.

With a focus on the needs of children, families, and individuals, FamilyLinks provides an extensive array of supports that reach nearly 85,000 people annually.

Mental health and developmental disability programs, youth and family development

programs, adult community services, alcohol and other drug treatment, and school-based prevention services are all components of FamilyLink's mission to build hope, health, and strength.

In addition to building treatment effectiveness through participation in the PFF Project, FamilyLinks is currently pursuing certification through the Council on Accreditation (COA), an independent national accreditor of behavioral

health care and social service organizations.

COA accreditation provides assurance to both funders and clients that services meet or exceed national standards for value and quality.

*Currently, the team at FamilyLinks has referred more than 30% of all the families currently enrolled in the PFF Project.*

*Thank you, FamilyLinks!*

## The Center on Race and Social Problems of the University of Pittsburgh School of Social Work Fall 2008 Speaker Series

**Thursday, October 16**

**Eduardo Bonilla-Silva**

Professor, Duke University  
Department of Sociology

**Racism, Discrimination,  
Colorblindness, and Race**

**Tuesday, November 11**

**Audrey J. Murrell**

Associate Professor, University of  
Pittsburgh School Business

**Unfinished Business: The Impact  
of Race on Understanding  
Mentoring Relationships.**

**Monday, December 1**

**David Herring**

Professor, University of  
Pittsburgh School of Law

**The Multiethnic Placement Act:  
Threat to Foster Child Safety and  
Well-being?**

Established in 2002, CRSP is multidisciplinary in its approach and multiracial in its focus. The center concentrates on research, service and educational issues relevant to social justice in the United States.

This fall, the lectures of the Buchanan Ingersoll & Rooney Speaker Series will be held from noon to 1:30 pm in the School of Social Work Conference Center, Room 2017 in the Cathedral of Learning on the University of Pittsburgh campus. Lunch will be provided, registration is not required.

## Clinician Resources

- National Child Traumatic Stress Network  
[www.nctsn.net](http://www.nctsn.net)
- The Pennsylvania Child Welfare Training Program  
[www.pacwcbt.pitt.edu/](http://www.pacwcbt.pitt.edu/)
- Child Welfare Information Gateway  
[www.childwelfare.gov/pubs/cognitive/cognitive.pdf](http://www.childwelfare.gov/pubs/cognitive/cognitive.pdf)

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