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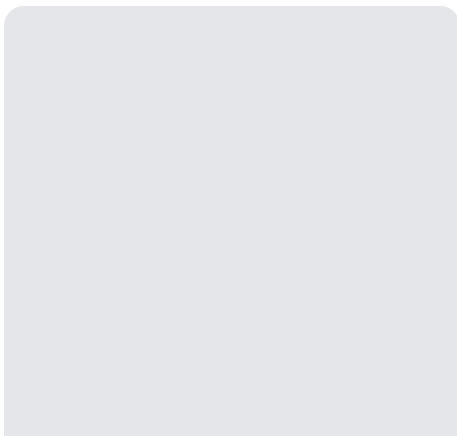
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Hello!

I am writing on behalf of the proposed home visiting positions. I am writing as a Dane county resident and a supporter of home visiting and my view is my own but to be transparent I am a nurse home visitor with Public Health Madison Dane County. Nurse home visitation is a critical health equity strategy to improve birth outcomes. 40 years of research has shown that nurse home visitation improves birth outcomes, decreases Medicaid spending, decreases childhood injuries as well as abuse and neglect. With violence prevention being a concern for both Dane County and the City of Madison Nurse Family Partnership is considered an “Effective Violence Prevention Program” according to the US department of Justice. Most notably there is a 61% reduction of arrests in mothers and 59% reduction in arrests of children at age 15. As a home visitor I can share that this does not include the potential benefit improved engagement of fathers of children. They are often active and engaged participants in Nurse Family Partnership. As we are discovering the historical harm inflicted by government in communities of color nurses can often change this narrative through healing relationships and repair. Families who engage in Nurse home visitation are often our most vocal supporters, I often take referrals from families for their friends and relatives. Nurse Family partnership has shown to have a \$2.90 return on investment per dollar spent and on average \$64,000 are saved per family enrolled in Nurse Family Partnership. PNCC is a shorter term program that pairs nurses with pregnant women and also has improved health outcomes for families. Thank you for considering supporting this important work.

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RESEARCH TRIALS AND OUTCOMES

THE GOLD STANDARD OF EVIDENCE

Nurse-Family Partnership® is an evidence-based, community health program with 45 years of research showing significant improvements in the health and lives of first-time mothers and their children affected by social and economic inequality.

66 99 IT IS NOT JUST EMPIRICAL EVIDENCE (THAT NURSE-FAMILY PARTNERSHIP HAS) THAT'S IMPORTANT; IT'S A CERTAIN TYPE OF EMPIRICAL EVIDENCE, NAMELY EVIDENCE FROM RANDOM ASSIGNMENT EXPERIMENTS. BECAUSE THAT'S THE GOLD STANDARD OF RESEARCH AND WE HAVE LEARNED OVER AND OVER AGAIN THAT ANY OTHER KIND OF STUDY IS LIKELY TO PROVIDE AN INCORRECT ANSWER, SO NOT ONLY IS THERE GOOD EVIDENCE FROM THE STUDY, BUT THE EVIDENCE IS FROM THE VERY BEST KIND OF RESEARCH.

DAVID OLDS, Senior Fellow, Economic Studies, Co-Director, Brookings Institution Center on Children and Families



TRIAL OUTCOMES

- 48%** reduction in child abuse and neglect¹
- 56%** reduction in ER visits for accidents and poisonings²
- 50%** reduction in language delays of child age 21 months³
- 67%** less behavioral/intellectual problems at age 6⁴
- 32%** fewer subsequent pregnancies⁵
- 82%** increase in months employed⁶
- 61%** fewer arrests of the mother⁷
- 59%** reduction in child arrests at age 15⁸

A Cornerstone of Nurse-Family Partnership Model

Nurse-Family Partnership is an evidence-based community health program that serves first-time mothers who face major barriers to accessing resources and supports needed to achieve the greatest health and wellness outcomes. Built upon the pioneering work of David Olds, Ph.D., Nurse-Family Partnership's model is based on 45 years of evidence from randomized controlled trials (RCTs).

Beginning in the early 1970s, Olds initiated the development of a nurse home visitation program for first-time mothers and their children. Over the next three decades, he and his colleagues continued to test the program in three separate RCTs (see details on next page). The RCTs were designed to study the effects of the Nurse-Family Partnership model on maternal and child health and child development, by comparing the short- and long-term outcomes of mothers and children enrolled in the Nurse-Family Partnership program to those of a control group of mothers and children not participating in the program.

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Thank you,