OPRE Funding Announcement: Secondary Analyses of Strengthening Families Datasets

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The Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation (OPRE) in the Administration for Children and Families, US Department of Health and Human Services has recently published a discretionary research funding announcement titled "Secondary Analyses of Strengthening Families Datasets," which are summarized below. If you have questions regarding this grant announcement, please email the OPRE grant review team at <u>SFDataAnalysis@icfi.com</u> or call 1-877-350-5913.

Secondary Analyses of Strengthening Families Datasets

The full announcement for "Secondary Analyses of Strengthening Families Datasets" is available online at <u>www.acf.hss.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2014-ACF-OPRE-PD-0802</u>. OPRE intends to award up to six cooperative agreements to fund research to conduct secondary data analysis of the Building Strong Families (BSF), Supporting Healthy Marriage (SHM), and Community Healthy Marriage Initiative (CHMI) datasets. Successful applicants will demonstrate a familiarity with the proposed data for their analysis and an adequate understanding of the variables, sampling, methodology, etc., used to construct the dataset necessary for completion of the work proposed in the application. Proposed research should address topics relevant to strengthening families to improve the lives of children and parents and promote economic stability. Topics of interest include, but may not be limited to, mediators of relationship education programs, the measurement of relationship education and fatherhood with low-income families, or father involvement in low-income families. Successful applicants will also be expected to participate in unified efforts with their fellow grantees to move the field of research focused on strengthening families forward. Data collection activities are not allowed with the funds for this grant. Information about the BSF data can be found

at <u>www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/opre/research/project/building-strong-families</u>. Information about the SHM data can be found

at <u>www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/opre/research/project/supporting-healthy-marriages</u>. Information about the CHMI data can be found

at <u>http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/opre/resource/the-community-healthy-marriage-initiative-evaluation-impacts-of-a-0</u>. Up to \$100,000 may be awarded per budget period. Applicants may apply for project periods up to 17-months. Letters of intent are due by June 16, 2014; applications are due by July 16, 2014.