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## Colorado Lab Newsletter

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### Opportunities with LINC

The Linked Information Network of Colorado (LINC) is a state collaborative that supports timely and cost-efficient research, evaluation, and analytics using integrated data across state agencies. LINC is designed to securely share data to a centralized linking hub in state government to produce anonymized datasets for approved end users. LINC development is partially supported by seed funds and staff commitment from the Colorado Lab. [Read more about LINC here.](#)

The Lab is seeking research partners on the following projects which are designed to share data through LINC. The roles on the projects may range from consultant to co-principal investigator. Funding will be commensurate with project responsibilities.

#### **Project 1: Identifying Risk Factors for Experiencing Homelessness after Exiting Foster Care**

Key Questions:

- What are the early warning indicators of youth being at risk for homelessness after exiting foster care that can inform Independent Living Plans?
- For those youth who do use housing and shelter services, how consistently are they being identified as formerly in foster care and, therefore, prioritized for services?

Data Sources: Child Welfare (Trails) and Metro Denver Homeless Initiative (HMIS)

Estimated Timeline: August 2019 - March 2020

#### **Project 2: Coordinating Early Intervention and Medicaid to Meet the Needs of Children with Developmental Delays**

Key Questions:

- Where are the dollars being spent to fulfill service plans for children in Colorado's Early Intervention system? Is this source of funding appropriate for the services being delivered?
- Are providers meeting the needs of children based on children's Early Intervention plans or are there opportunities to correct misalignment of services (e.g., not enough or duplicate services)?
- How can the quality of services being delivered inform rate setting?

Data sources: Medicaid (HCPF) and Early Intervention (CDHS)

Estimated Timeline: August 2019 - June 2020

To express your interest, please complete the survey at the link below. Surveys will remain open until positions are filled.

[Complete the Survey](#)

**For all Colorado Lab project opportunities, preference is given to Colorado Applied Research and Action Network (CARAN) senior fellows. To learn more and apply, click [HERE](#).**

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## Implementation Science Research Opportunity with CDPHE

Our friends at the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) have an opportunity supporting implementation science research!

The Office of Emergency Preparedness and Response in the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment is seeking research support for their work enhancing resiliency among EMS responders. Based on an identified need from the field, the Office has developed a toolkit for EMS responders working with children in emergency medical situations designed to reduce responder anxiety, pediatric distress, and treatment errors. Prior to evaluating the toolkit's efficacy with respect to these outcomes, the Office is interested in determining the amount and type of technical assistance necessary for EMS responders to implement the toolkit's recommendations with fidelity.

If you are interested in this work, please reach out to Lynn Garst at [lynn.garst@state.co.us](mailto:lynn.garst@state.co.us) or 303-692-2586.

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## New Website Launch

The Colorado Lab is proud to announce the launch of our new website which introduces several new features including a [searchable document library](#) and [dedicated](#)

[LINC page!](#)

Head over to the new [coloradolab.org](http://coloradolab.org) to check it out!

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## RFP Reminder

The Request for Proposals, Cross-System Actionable Research Tailored to Priorities of Governor Polis's Administration is due **Monday, July 1, 2019 at noon!**

The full RFP is linked [here](#).

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