

John Eckenrode

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Biography

Biographical Statement

John Eckenrode is Professor of Human Development and Director of the Bronfenbrenner Center for Translational Research. He is also Director of the National Data Archive of Child Abuse and Neglect. His research concerns child abuse and neglect, the effects of preventive interventions, translational research, and stress and coping processes. He is a social psychologist (Tufts, 1979), has authored numerous journal articles and chapters, and has edited three books, *Stress Between Work and Family* (with Susan Gore), and *The Social Context of Coping*, and *Understanding Abusive Families* (with James Garbarino). In 1997 he and his collaborators on the Nurse Home Visitation Project received the annual research award from the National Institute for Health Care Management in the maternal and child health care category. In 1995, he received the Robert Chin Memorial Award from the Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues (SPSSI) for the best paper on child abuse and neglect that year. He is a fellow of the American Psychological Association (Div. 7).

Professional

Current Professional Activities

Dr. Eckenrode serves on the editorial board of the journal *Child Maltreatment*

Research

Current Research Activities

Child abuse and neglect: Dr. Eckenrode has conducted research studies and participated in other outreach efforts in the area of child abuse and neglect. These efforts include research on the characteristics of official child maltreatment reports, the academic effects of child abuse and neglect. He also directs the National Archive for Data on Child Abuse and Neglect which supports researchers interested in the secondary analysis of child abuse and neglect data.

Prevention and Translational Research: Dr. Eckenrode has been a co-investigator of a long-term evaluation of the effects of a program of nurse home visitation on the development of high-risk mothers and their children. He also has a general interest in translational research related to the implementation of evidence-based programs.

Stress and Coping Processes: Dr. Eckenrode has a long standing interest in research focusing on several issues related to stress and coping, particularly the

role of social supports. The research has yielded data related to the effects of stress on the use of health services, the impact of both major stressors and daily hassles on mood, and factors related to the differential use and impact of social supports in buffering stress.

Extension

Education

Education

Ph.D. 1979 - Tufts University - Social Psychology

M.S. 1975 - Tufts University - Experimental Psychology

B.A. 1972 - University of Notre Dame - Psychology

Courses

Courses Taught

HD4680: Stress in Childhood and Adolescence

HD 6880: Translational Research: Evidence-Based Programs

Websites

Related Websites

[Bronfenbrenner Center for Translational Research](#)

[National Data Archive on Child Abuse and Neglect](#)

Administration

Administrative Responsibilities

Dr. Eckenrode is Director of the Bronfenbrenner Center for Translational Research

Publications

Selected Publications

Eckenrode, J. (2011). Primary prevention of child abuse and neglect. In M. P. Koss, J. W. White, & A. E. Kazdin (Eds.), *Violence against women and children: Consensus, critical analysis, and emergent priorities* (p. 71-91). Washington, D.C.: American Psychological Association.

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Eckenrode, J., Ganzel, B., Olds, D., Henderson, C., et al. (2000). Preventing child abuse and neglect with a program of nurse home visitation: The limiting effects of domestic violence. *Journal of the American Medical Association*, 284, 1385-1391.

Garbarino, J., & Eckenrode, J. (Eds.) (1997). *Understanding abusive families*. New York: Jossey-Bass.

Olds, D., Eckenrode, J, Henderson, C. R., Jr., Kitzman, H., Powers, J., Cole, R., et al. (1997). Long-term effects of home visitation on maternal life course and child abuse and neglect: 15-year follow-up of a randomized trial. *Journal of the American Medical Association*, 278, 637-643.