



NATIONAL DATA ARCHIVE ON CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT

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SUMMER TRAINING SERIES 2026

Join us for our upcoming Summer Training Series! Our theme this year is "Laying the Groundwork." This series is designed to strengthen the foundational skills necessary to conduct high-quality, impactful research with administrative data. Through hands-on sessions, participants will gain practical experience with key aspects of administrative data, such as understanding data structures, managing data quality, linking across data sources, and data presentation. For scholars who are new to this area or are seeking to reinforce essential competencies, this series offers a thorough starting point for building rigorous research on child welfare using administrative data.

Sessions will occur every Wednesday in July from 12 - 1pm (Eastern Time) via Zoom. This series is free but registration is required through the link below.

- **July 1st — Overview of NDACAN Administrative Datasets**
 - Presenters: Garrett Baker, Ph.D., Duke University, and Alyssa Lindsey, University of California, San Francisco
- **July 8th — Data Cleaning and Management**
 - Presenter: Alexander F. Roehrkasse, Ph.D., Butler University
- **July 15th — Linking NCANDS and AFCARS**
 - Presenter: Alexander F. Roehrkasse, Ph.D., Butler University
- **July 22nd — Handling Missing Data**
 - Presenter: Alexander F. Roehrkasse, Ph.D., Butler University
- **July 29th — Data Presentation and Visualization**
 - Presenter: Alexander F. Roehrkasse, Ph.D., Butler University

Summer Training Series 2026 registration link:

https://cornell.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ib8sUk1fQeKiusvq8RlqUw

OFFICE HOURS 2026

During the academic year, the monthly office hours series features a workshop or presentation for the first half of each session and open support time in breakout rooms for the second half. Open support topics include dataset basics, study design, analysis, and coding support. Sessions occur from 11am - 12pm (Eastern Time) on Fridays. The schedule of presentation topics is included below. The series is free but registration is required through the link below.

Office Hours 2026 registration link:

<https://ucsf.zoom.us/meeting/register/bhRBBkQVTUytMurIhxQPdA>

Spring 2026 Schedule:

Second Friday of each month from 11am - 12pm (Eastern Time)

- April 10th: Flash talks by data users for ongoing projects
- May 8th: Applying for grants and fellowships as a graduate student

CALL FOR DATA USERS TO SEND CITATIONS

NDACAN maintains a reference list of scholarly work produced from datasets in its holdings. You can access the [Child Abuse and Neglect Digital Library \(canDL\) directly](#) or from our [canDL Bibliography information](#) page. Please visit the canDL to check if your publications that used NDACAN datasets are listed, and contact us if you have references to add (NDACANsupport@cornell.edu). When submitting citations, please be sure to include the DOI link. Please tag us on 'X' (Twitter) with [@NDACAN_CU](#) and include a clickable DOI link to the article with the hashtag of the dataset abbreviation and/or number which was used for the study (e.g. #NCANDS, #NYTD, #DS223, etc.).

Featured Publications:

- **National Child Abuse and Neglect Data System (NCANDS) Child File**
Hughes Garza H, Piper KE and Lawson KA (2026) Physical Abuse of Young Children Reported by Medical Professionals in the United States 2014–2023. *Frontiers in Pediatrics*. 13:1718486.
<https://doi.org/10.3389/fped.2025.1718486>
- **Longitudinal Studies on Child Abuse and Neglect (LONGSCAN)**
Morelli, N. M., Aceves, B., Schmied, E. A., Hong, K., Gusman, M., Nguyen, T. N., Dubowitz, H., & Villodas, M. T. (2026). Latent Classes of Substance Use in Young Adult Survivors of Child Maltreatment and Adversity: A 20-Year Prospective Investigation. *Child Maltreatment*, 0(0).
<https://doi.org/10.1177/10775595251414843>
- **The National Survey on Child and Adolescent Well-Being (NSCAW), National Incidence Study of Child Abuse and Neglect (NIS 1-4)**
Chiang, C.-J., Rafieifar, M., Chen, J.-H., & Yang, M. (2026). Understanding Child Well-Being in CPS: Nativity and Immigration Status Diversity in Latino Families. *Family Relations*, 75(2), 1176–1200.
<https://doi.org/10.1111/fare.70142>

FORTHCOMING DATASETS

- Dataset #311 National Youth in Transition Database (NYTD) - Services File 2024
- Dataset #TBD National Youth in Transition Database (NYTD) - Outcomes Cohort 2023 Wave 1

RECENTLY RELEASED DATASETS

- [Dataset #306 National Child Abuse and Neglect Data Systems \(NCANDS\) Child File FY2024 v1](#)
- [Dataset #308 National Child Abuse and Neglect Data Systems \(NCANDS\) Agency File FY2024 v1](#)

- [Dataset #309 Integrated Historical Child Welfare Database \(IHCWD\)](#)

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For the latest updates on NDACAN activities, make sure to follow us on X (Twitter) [@NDACAN_CU](#). NDACAN curates its X (Twitter) content to highlight the availability and research potential of NDACAN data holdings, trainings, and user support services for child welfare researchers. You are encouraged to follow our feed and tweet your publications or presentations at [@NDACAN_CU](#) to share the various ways that NDACAN is advancing the field of child welfare research.

CALL FOR DATASETS

Research has demonstrated an increased citation rate for publications whose investigators share data. Depositing your data with NDACAN can facilitate long-term preservation and provide researchers access to your data for secondary analysis. The Archive is seeking quantitative datasets to add to our collection. Please contact us (NDACANSupport@cornell.edu) if you have data or know of data that would benefit researchers, or check out the [Contribute Data](#) page of our website.

Are you a member of our Child Maltreatment Research List Serve (CMRL)?

NDACAN moderates an e-mail list for discussions of research issues relevant to child abuse and neglect. To subscribe or to alter your subscription, visit our [CMRL](#) page.

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