

Dear Friends:

NEW RESEARCH HIGHLIGHTS



Paternal and Maternal Depression Affects Children Differently

Paternal depression, manifested by overt hostility, directly affects children's internalizing and externalizing behaviors, whereas maternal depression, exhibited less overtly in parenting behaviors, only indirectly affects children, [report](#) researchers from Brigham Young University.



Strong Parent-Child Relationship Is Vital for Low-Income Children

Having involved and nurturing parents buffers against many of the negative emotional and behavioral issues low-income children frequently experience, [according](#) to researchers at the National Center for Children in Poverty.



Grandmother's Smoking Habits Affect Granddaughter

A girl whose maternal grandmother smoked while pregnant has a 53 percent higher risk of being diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder than girls with non-smoking grandmothers, [according](#) to British researchers at the University of Bristol.

MARRIPEDIA ENTRIES RELATED TO THESE FINDINGS

- 1) ["Effects of Divorce on Children's Health"](#)
- 2) ["Effects of Divorce on Family Relationships"](#)
- 3) ["Effects of Marriage on Physical Health"](#)

NEW BLOG

“The Route to the Nasty, Fractured, Polarized and Uncivil”

Professor Richard Weissbroud, Harvard faculty director of Human Development and Psychology in the School of Education, [recently presented data](#) on children and their parents which leaves him very disturbed about the culture we have built, including the culture at Harvard. [Continue reading...](#)

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