



Co-present:

## The Social Service Workforce and the Practice of Working With Vulnerable Children and Families

A symposium to explore how we measure the efficacy of the social service workforce, what tools are available for such measurements, and how we measure efforts to strengthen the workforce.

February 19, 2014, 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM  
Mailman School of Public Health at Columbia University  
9 AM – 12 PM: Room LL103, Hammer Building  
12 PM – 3 PM: 8th Floor Auditorium, Allan Rosenfeld Building

### **Panel 1: Learning About Measuring the Social Service Workforce from the Experience of Other Social Sectors**

**9:15am to 10:30am in LL103 in the Hammer Building, 701 W. 168th St.**

- Moderated by: **Jessica Rose**, Senior Technical Advisor for Monitoring and Evaluation, Health Systems Strengthening Team, USAID
- Presentations by:
  - **Jane Spinak**, Edward Ross Aranow Clinical Professor of Law at Columbia University and the co-founder of the Child Advocacy Clinic
  - **Helen de Pinho**, Assistant Professor of Population and Family Health at Mailman and Associate Director, Averting Maternal Death and Disability Program
  - **Jim McCaffery**, Senior Advisor, CapacityPlus and Training Resources Group

### **Panel 2: The State of the Evidence Concerning Social Service Workforce Strengthening**

**10:45am to 12pm in LL103 in the Hammer Building, 701 W. 168th St.**

- Moderated by: **Maury Mendenhall**, Senior Technical Advisor, Orphans and Vulnerable Children, USAID, Office of HIV/AIDS
- Presentations by:
  - **Joan Zlotnik**, Director, Social Work Policy Institute, National Association of Social Workers
  - **Rebecca Davis**, Associate Professor at Rutgers School of Social Work and Director, Center for International Social Work Studies
  - **Mari Hickmann**, Monitoring & Evaluation Program Advisor at Futures Group International
  - **Mark Preston**, Assistant Professor of Social Work, Columbia University School of Social Work

### **Panel 3: University Research and Training Partnerships for Faculty Development**

**1:15pm to 2:30pm in the 8<sup>th</sup> floor auditorium of the Allan Rosenfeld Building, 722 W. 168th St.**

- Moderated by: **Mette Christiansen**, Director of the Concentration in Human Services in the Department of Sociology, New Paltz State University of New York
- Presentations by:
  - **Martha Haffey**, Director, Building Professional Social Work, and retired Associate Professor from the Hunter College School of Social Work of the City University of New York
  - **Martha Bragin**, Associate Professor at Silberman School of Social Work at Hunter College, and Chair, Global Social Work and Practice with Immigrants and Refugees
  - **Tina Maschi**, Associate Professor at the Fordham University Graduate School of Social Service and Founder and Executive Director, Be the Evidence Project

**\*\*Light breakfast and lunch will be served\*\***

To register, or for more information, email Eva Noble at [evanoble.cpc@gmail.com](mailto:evanoble.cpc@gmail.com).

### **Part Two of The Three-Part Symposium Series: Measuring the Immeasurable: Building the Evidence Necessary for Effective Child Protection and Family Welfare Policies and Programs**

The goal of this series is to create a forum for sharing what researchers are collectively learning about measuring complex topics related to global child protection and social welfare. The themes of the three sessions are measurement of: violence against children; the social service workforce and the practice of working with vulnerable children and families; and issues of children's care, including institutional care, family care, and alternative care options. Emphasis will be placed on encouraging dialogue across researchers working domestically and those working on international issues. The third component of the series will occur in April 2014.