

Parent Coaching: A Key Ingredient to Parent & Child Success
GLR Learning Tuesdays | Learning Loss Recovery Series

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PRESENTER BIOS

MODERATOR



Carly Roberts
Senior Program Officer/Early Impact
Overdeck Family Foundation

Carly Roberts is the Senior Program Officer at Overdeck Family Foundation, where she has led the Foundation’s early childhood grantmaking since 2014. Through her work, she aims to create strong foundations for early learning by funding organizations supporting families of young children.

Her career has centered on child development, education, and health in a variety of settings. Prior to joining the Foundation, she worked in consultative roles advising three urban school districts (including the NYC Department of Education’s Division of Early Childhood Education) and the Robin Hood Foundation. She began her work in education as an AmeriCorps VISTA with Horton’s Kids, providing comprehensive, wraparound services for children and families in Washington, D.C. Carly earned her Master of Public Administration from Columbia University’s School of International and Public Affairs and Master of Public Health from Columbia’s Mailman School. She also holds a B.A. from George Washington University.

PRESENTERS



Marena Burnett
Chief Engagement Officer
Centering Healthcare Institute

Since joining the Centering Healthcare Institute team in 2015, Marena Burnett has been focused on increasing awareness and access to Centering group care. She has been a passionate driver of the prenatal through pediatrics continuity model (P - 2) and leads product development efforts to support CHI’s healthcare partners in applying the model across the life course. Burnett provides leadership and oversight to the Engagement and Innovation department; working towards an equity lens and CHI’s core values infused into all communications, products and services.



Spring Dawson-McClure, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor of Population Health
NYU Robert I. Grossman School of Medicine
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Dr. Dawson-McClure is a psychologist and prevention scientist focused on the development, evaluation and large-scale implementation of community and school-based strategies to reduce racial, ethnic and socio-economic disparities in children’s health and development. She has particular expertise in family engagement and parenting and is committed to centering the voices of families of color in all aspects of her work. She currently leads research on scaling ParentCorps, an evidence-based enhancement to Pre-K, which bolsters parent and teacher capacity to support children’s development in the face of early childhood adversity, including racism, poverty, discrimination and immigration-related stress.



Kai-ama Hamer
Associate Director
Parent Corps

Kai-ama Hamer is Associate Director of ParentCorps in the Center for Early Childhood Health and Development at NYU Robert I. Grossman School of Medicine. She is a licensed special education teacher and expert practitioner and has dedicated her career to teaching, training and supporting both children and the adults in children’s lives to reduce the impact of adverse childhood experiences and improve educational outcomes. Her focus has been on evidence-based strategies with Black, Brown and immigrant urban populations who are more at risk because of systemic racism, socio-economic status, isolation and lack of opportunity. She has over twenty years of experience engaging diverse families all across New York City.



Stephen M. Hannon, PhD
President and CEO
LENA
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Dr. Stephen M. Hannon is the President and CEO of LENA, a national nonprofit focused on increasing adult-child talk in order to improve child outcomes. Steve is privileged to lead a talented team in the shaping and scaling of the organization’s caregiver-directed initiatives that integrate LENA’s “talk pedometer” technology. Hannon leverages a wealth of technical and leadership skills honed over a 25-year career spanning multiple industries. He has been instrumental in transitioning LENA from an organization known solely for its research on early language to one known for putting research into action and positively impacting children and families around the world.

An expert in optical remote sensing and statistical signal processing, he played various strategic roles with laser radar touchstone Coherent Technologies, Inc., prior to his unusual pivot from aerospace to early childhood six years ago. Hannon earned a Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering from the University of Illinois and a Master of Science and Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.



Adrian Pedroza
National Director of Strategic Partnerships
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Adrián is Director of Strategic Partnership at Abriendo Puertas/Opening Doors, a national parent leadership training program focused on supporting and equipping Latino parents with children 0-5 years of age in their quest to ensure early school success. Previously, Pedroza was Executive Director at Partnership for Community Action in New Mexico. In his early careers, Pedroza worked with migrant farmworker families at the University of New Mexico High School Equivalency and College Assistance Migrant Programs and served on the staff for former U.S. Senator Jeff Bingaman. Pedroza served on President Obama's Advisory Commission on Educational Excellence for Hispanics and he is a W.K. Kellogg Foundation Community Leadership Network Fellow.