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## EDUCATION

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Ph.D., University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN, 2000  
Developmental Psychology/Quantitative Psychology  
Title: Prenatal Risk Factors and the Cognitive, Socio-Emotional, and Academic Development of Children of Adolescent Mothers  
Chair: John G. Borkowski, Ph.D.

M.A., University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN, 1998  
Developmental Psychology  
Title: Risk and Resilience in the Children of Adolescent Mothers  
Chair: John G. Borkowski, Ph.D.

B.A., Illinois State University, Normal, IL, 1994  
Psychology/Japanese  
Title: The Use of Private Speech in Pre-School Children  
Advisor: Laura E. Berk, Ph.D.

## PROFESSIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

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Managing Director, William J. Shaw Center for Children and Families  
University of Notre Dame  
July 2017-present

Faculty Fellow, Master of Autism Studies  
Saint Mary's College  
August 2017-present

Ad-hoc Faculty, Graduate School  
University of Alabama – Birmingham  
April 2010-present

Associate Director, William J. Shaw Center for Children and Families  
University of Notre Dame  
August 2008-June 2017

Research Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology  
University of Notre Dame  
January 2001-June 2017

Research Analyst, Department of Psychology  
University of Notre Dame  
August 2000-January 2005

Data Manager, Adolescent Parenting Project  
University of Notre Dame  
August 1997-May 2005

Graduate Consultant, Laboratory for Social Research  
University of Notre Dame  
August 1998-August 2000

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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Instructor, Experimental Psychology II: Methods  
University of Notre Dame  
Spring 2011

Instructor, Introductory Psychology  
University of Notre Dame  
Spring 1998 & Summer 1999

Teaching Assistant, Experimental Psychology II: Methods  
University of Notre Dame  
Fall 1999

#### ACADEMIC HONORS AND AWARDS

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Presidential Scholarship, Illinois State University, 1990-1994

Psi Chi National Honor Society in Psychology, Illinois State University, 1992

Departmental Honors, Illinois State University, 1994

Magna Cum Laude, Illinois State University, 1994

National Institute of Mental Health Training Grant, 1994-1999

David Zeaman Student Travel Award, Gatlinburg Conference on Research and Theory in Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, 1999



This study assessed the impact of a cell-phone technology enhanced parenting intervention on the parenting strategies of high-risk mothers and the development of their children.

Role: Co-Investigator

R01 HD-26456                      Borkowski (PI)                      05/01/07 - 04/31/12

NICHD/MR Branch

Precursors of Mental Retardation in Children with Adolescent Mothers

The major goal of this project is to study cognitive, socio-emotional, and academic development in children born to teenage mothers in the late 1980s, throughout adolescence.

Role: Co-Investigator

Beacon Health System              Lefever (PI)                      11/1/2012 - 10/31/2013

Healthworks! Field Trip Educational Services Evaluation

The goal of this collaboration was to develop and implement an evaluation plan for the field trip services provided by Healthworks!.

Role: Principal Investigator

NIH R21                                  Park (PI)                                  09/1/2013 – 8/31/2015

Discrimination and Mental Health in Latino Families: Mediators and Moderators

This project assesses the link between perceived discrimination and mental health outcomes in Mexican-American adolescents.

Role: Consultant

CHEP                                      Braungart-Rieker (PI)              11/1/2015-10/31/2016

Reducing Obesogenic Home Environments in Low-Income Households with Mothers of Preschool-Aged Children

In this project we develop, implement and evaluate a curriculum for low-income mothers of preschool-age children to encourage healthy eating.

Role: Co-Investigator

El-Hibri Foundation                  Lefever (PI)                      01/1/2016 – 2/28/2018

Rigorous Evaluation of the Take Ten Violence Prevention Program

The goal of this project is to evaluate the Take Ten program and explore factors that contribute to behavioral change.

Role: Principal Investigator

IHEP    Seroczynski (PI)                      08/01/2018 - 06/30/2020

Moreau College Initiative/IHEP Collaborative Research

The aim of this research is to identify and assess the Key Performance Indicators needed to evaluate the success of higher-education prison programs.

Role: Sub-contract PI

## GRANTS - INTERNAL

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University of Notre Dame Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts The Impact of Infant Attachment Status on Children's Early Mental and Physical Development	Lefever (PI)	01/01/08 – 12/31/09
University of Notre Dame Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts Early Caregiving and Child Social, Cognitive and Moral Development	Narvaez (PI)	01/01/10 – 12/31/11
University of Notre Dame Center for Social Concerns Evaluation of the "Talk with Your Baby" Program	Braungart-Rieker (PI)	04/15/11 – 4/14/14
University of Notre Dame Center for Social Concerns Assessing the Impact of Head Start on Children and Families	Lefever (PI)	04/11/12 – 04/10/14
University of Notre Dame Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts Developing Collaborative Relationships with Prison Nursery Programs at Multiple Sites	Lefever (PI)	03/15/14 – 03/14/15
University of Notre Dame Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts Developing Intervention Materials for a 'Small Changes' Intervention to Promote Healthy Eating Behaviors in Children	Braungart-Rieker (PI)	08/01/14 – 07/31/15
University of Notre Dame Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts Evaluation and Feasibility Study of the Impact of Prison Nurseries on Incarcerated Mothers and their Infants	Lefever (PI)	03/15/15 – 03/14/17
University of Notre Dame Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts Feasibility of a Self-Affirmation Intervention to Increase Healthy Eating in Low-Income Women	Corning (PI)	08/24/15 – 08/23/16

## PUBLICATIONS

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Borkowski, J. G., & Burke, J. E. (1997). Theories, models, and measurements of executive functioning: Views from an information processing perspective. In G. R. Lyon & N. A. Krasnegor (Eds.), *Attention, memory, and executive functioning* (pp. 235-261). Baltimore: P. H. Brookes.

- Sommer, K. S., Whitman, T. L., Borkowski, J. G., Gondoli, D. M., Burke, J., Maxwell, S. E., & Weed, K. (2000). Prenatal maternal predictors of cognitive and socioemotional functioning in children of adolescent mothers. *Adolescence, 35*, 87-112.
- Karrass, J., Braungart-Rieker, J. M., Mullins, J., & Lefever, J. B. (2002). Processes in language acquisition: The roles of gender, attention, and maternal encouragement of attention over time. *Journal of Child Language, 29*, 519-543.
- Borkowski, J. G., Lounds, J. J., Willard, C. C., Lefever, J. B., & Whitman, T. L. (2004). Precursors of mild mental retardation in children with adolescent mothers. In L. Glidden, (Ed.) *International review of research in MR, Vol. 29* (pp. 197-228). San Diego: Elsevier.
- Carothers, S. S., Borkowski, J. G., Burke Lefever, J., & Whitman, T. L. (2005). Religiosity and the socioemotional adjustment of adolescent mothers and their children. *Journal of Family Psychology, 19*, 263-275.
- Howard, K. S., Lefever, J. B., Borkowski, J. G., & Whitman, T. L. (2006). Fathers' influence in the lives of children with adolescent mothers. *Journal of Family Psychology, 20*, 468-476.
- Lefever, J. B., Nicholson, J., & Willard Noria, C. (2007). Uncertain futures: Children of adolescent mothers. In J. G. Borkowski, T. Whitman, J. Farris, S. Carothers, D. Keogh & K. Weed (Eds.) *Risk and resilience among at-risk mothers and their children* (pp. 69-99). Mahwah, NJ: Erlbaum.
- Lanzi, R. G., Ramey, S. L., Lefever, J. B., Guest, K. C., Atwater, J., Hughes, K., & the Centers for Prevention of Child Neglect (2007). Cell phone methodology for research and service with high risk mothers and children. *NHSA Dialog, 10*, 58-66.
- Lefever, J. B., Howard, K. S., Lanzi, R. G., Borkowski, J. G., Atwater, J., Guest, K. C., Ramey, S. L., Hughes, K. P., & the Centers for Prevention of Child Neglect. (2008). Cell phones and the measurement of child neglect: The validity of the Parent-Child Activities Interview. *Child Maltreatment, 13*, 320-333.
- Bigelow, K. M., Carta, J. J., & Burke-Lefever, J. (2008). Txt u ltr: Using cellular phone technology to enhance a parenting intervention for families at risk for neglect. *Child Maltreatment, 13*, 362-367.
- Carta, J., Bigelow, K., Lefever, J. B., & Borkowski, J. G. (2012). Using mobile phones to enhance parent engagement in a home visiting intervention to prevent child maltreatment. In K. M. Blakeslee, D. M. Patel, & M. A. Simon (Eds.) *Communications and Technology for Violence Prevention: Workshop Summary* (pp. 88 – 90). Washington, DC: National Academies Press.

- Farris, J. R., Burke Lefever, J. E., & Borkowski, J. G. (2013). Two is better than one: The joint influence of maternal preparedness for parenting and children's self-esteem on academic achievement and adjustment. *Early Education and Development, 24*, 346-365.
- Lefever, J. B., Bigelow, K., Carta, J., & Borkowski, J. G. (2013). Prediction of early engagement and completion of a home visitation parenting intervention for preventing child maltreatment. *NHSA Dialog, 16*, 1-19.
- Bigelow, K., Lefever, J. B., Carta, J., & Borkowski, J. G. (2013). Enhancing parent engagement and program completion in a home visiting parenting intervention through the use of cellular phones. *NHSA Dialog, 16*, 172-177.
- Narvaez, D., Wang, L., Gleason, T., Cheng, Y., Lefever, J. B., & Deng, L. (2013). The evolved developmental niche and child sociomoral outcomes in Chinese three-year-olds. *European Journal of Developmental Psychology, 10*(2), 106-127.
- Narvaez, D., Gleason, T., Wang, L., Brooks, J., Lefever, J. B., Cheng, Y., & the Centers for the Prevention of Child Neglect. (2013). The evolved development niche: Longitudinal effects of caregiving practices on early childhood psychosocial development. *Early Child Research Quarterly, 28*, 759-773.
- Carta, J. J., Lefever, J. B., Bigelow, K., Borkowski, J., & Warren, S. F. (2013). Randomized trial of a cellular-phone enhanced home visitation parenting intervention. *Pediatrics, 132*, S167-173.
- Braungart-Rieker, J. M., Moore, E. S., Planalp, E. M., & Lefever, J. B. (2014). Psychosocial pathways to childhood obesity: A pilot study involving a high risk preschool sample. *Eating Behavior, 15*, 528-531.
- Nuttall, A., Valentino, K., Wang, L., Lefever, J., & Borkowski, J. (2015). Maternal history of parentification and warm responsiveness: The mediating role of knowledge of infant development. *Journal of Family Psychology, 29*(6), 863-872. doi:10.1037/fam0000112
- Schatz-Stevens, J. N., Cockburn, B. S., Lefever, J. E. B., & Borkowski, J. G. (2015). The role of physiological regulation in understanding the influence of child abuse potential on children's behavioral problems. *NHSA Dialog, 18*, 71-84.
- Narvaez, D., Gleason, T., Lefever, J.B., Wang, L., & Cheng, A. (2016). Early experience and ethical orientation. In D. Narvaez, *Embodied morality: Protectionism, engagement and imagination* (pp. 73-98). New York, NY: Palgrave-Macmillan.

- Braungart-Rieker, J.M., Lefever, J.B., Planalp, E.M., & Moore, E.S. (2016). Body Mass Index at age 3: Cascading effects of prenatal maternal depression and mother-infant dynamics. *Journal of Pediatrics*, 177, 128-132.
- Lefever, J. E. B., Bigelow, K. M., Carta, J. J., Borkowski, J. G., Grandfield, E., McCune, L., Irvin, D. W., & Warren, S. F. (2017). Long-term impact of a cell phone enhanced parenting intervention. *Child Maltreatment*, 22 (4), 305-314.  
<https://doi.org/10.1177/1077559517723125>
- Miller-Graff, L. E., Nuttall, A. K., & Lefever, J. E. B. (2018). Interpersonal violence during pregnancy: Enduring effects in the post-partum period and implications for the intergenerational transmission of risk. *International Journal of Behavioral Development*, 43(3), 195-203.
- Narvaez, D., Wang, L., Cheng, A., Gleason, T. R., Woodbury, R., Kurth, A., & Lefever, J. B. (2019). The importance of early life touch for psychosocial and moral development. *Psicologia: Reflexão e Crítica*, 32(1), 16.  
<https://doi.org/10.1186/s41155-019-0129-0>

#### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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- Burke, J. E., Borkowski, J. G., & Whitman, T. L. (1997, March). *Risk and resilience in the children of adolescent mothers*. Poster presented at the Gatlinburg Conference on Research and Theory in Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, Riverside, CA.
- Burke, J. E. (1997, April). *Risk and resilience in the children of adolescent mothers*. Poster presented at the Biennial Conference of the Society for Research in Child Development, Washington, D.C.
- Borkowski, J. G., & Burke, J. (1997, July). *Cognitive-social delays in children with adolescent mothers: Implications for defining mild MR*. Paper presented at the International Conference on Mental Retardation: Genes, Brain and Behavior, Staten Island, NY.
- Burke, J. E. (1999, March). *The Notre Dame Adolescent Parenting Project: An overview*. Paper presented at the Gatlinburg Conference on Research and Theory in Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, Charleston, SC.
- O'Kane, M. L., & Burke, J. E. (1999, April). *Parenting stress and discrepancy in ratings of temperament*. Poster presented at the Biennial Conference of the Society for Research in Child Development, Albuquerque, NM.
- Karrass, J., Mullins, J., & Burke, J. E. (1999, April). *Infant temperament and maternal encouragement of attention as predictors of early language development*. Poster presented at the Biennial Conference of the Society for Research in Child Development, Albuquerque, NM.



- Burke, J. E. (1999, November). *The prediction of Head Start attendance and its effect on the outcomes of the children of adolescent mothers*. Paper presented at the Head Start Research Scholars Meeting, Alexandria, VA.
- Burke, J. E., Borkowski, J. G., Whitman, T. L., Keogh, D., & Weed, K. (2000, March). *Prenatal risk factors and the cognitive, academic, and socio-emotional development of eight-year-old children of adolescent mothers*. Poster presented at the Gatlinburg Conference on Research and Theory in Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, San Diego, CA.
- Borkowski, J. G., & Burke, J. E. (2000, April). *Adolescent mothers: Developmental outcomes and their implications*. Poster presented at the Biennial Meeting of the Society for Research on Adolescence, Chicago, IL.
- Burke, J. E., & Tingley, S. (2001, March). *The socioemotional developmental trajectories of adolescent mothers and their children*. Paper presented at the Gatlinburg Conference on Research and Theory in Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, Charleston, SC.
- Burke, J. E., Keogh, D., & Whitman, T. L. (2001, April). *Prenatal risk factors and the cognitive, socio-emotional, and academic development of children of adolescent mothers*. Poster presented at the Biennial Conference of the Society for Research in Child Development, Minneapolis, MN.
- Lounds, J., & Lefever, J. B. (2002, March). *The socioemotional developmental trajectories of adolescent mothers and their children*. Poster presented at the Gatlinburg Conference on Research and Theory in Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, San Diego, CA.
- Schatz, J. N., & Burke-Lefever, J. E. (2003, March). *Understanding maltreatment: The interplay between mothers' parenting orientations and children's vulnerability*. Paper presented at the Gatlinburg Conference on Research and Theory in Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, Annapolis, MD.
- Howard, K. H., & Burke Lefever, J. (2003, March). *Father's protective influence in the lives of children with adolescent mothers*. In J. G. Borkowski, (Chair), Risk, Protection, and Resilience in Adolescent Mothers and their Children. Paper symposium conducted at the Gatlinburg Conference, Annapolis, MD.
- Lefever, J. B., & the Centers for the Prevention of Child Neglect (2003, April). *Cell phones as a window to parenting practices*. Poster presented at the Biennial Conference of the Society for Research in Child Development, Tampa, FL.
- Lefever, J. B., & Noria, C. W. (2003, April). *Interwoven lives: The relationship between the developmental trajectories of adolescent mothers and their children*. Poster

- presented at the Biennial Conference of the Society for Research in Child Development, Tampa, FL.
- Schatz, J. N., & Burke-Lefever, J. (2003, April). *Understanding maltreatment: The interplay between mothers' parenting orientations and children's vulnerability*. Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Meeting, Tampa, FL.
- Carothers, S. S., Burke-Lefever, J., White, K. J., Gilbert, T., & Borkowski, J. G. (2005, April). *Support from mothers, fathers, best-friends, and faith: Combined and differential influences on prenatal maternal well-being*. Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Meeting, Atlanta, GA.
- Lanzi, R. G., Lefever, J. B., Guest, K. C., Ramey, S. L., & the Centers for Prevention of Child Neglect. (2005, April). *First-time parenting among teen and adult mothers: The effects of maternal depression on maternal-child interactions*. Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Meeting, Atlanta, GA.
- Lanzi, R. G., Lefever, J. B., Ramey, S. L., & the Centers for Prevention of Child Neglect. (2005, April). *The relationship of maternal self-reports of childhood neglect and abuse to current attitudes towards parenting and their parenting "models"*. Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Meeting, Atlanta, GA.
- Volpe, L., Lefever, J. B., Wetherall, W., McKenna, J., Borkowski, J. G., & the Centers for Prevention of Child Neglect. (2005, April). *Breastfeeding, infant sleep position and nighttime parenting behavior among first-time mothers: Implications for child development*. Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Meeting, Atlanta, GA.
- Atwater, J., Lefever, J., Guest, K., Selig, J., Keener, L., Weaver, C., & the Centers for Prevention of Child Neglect (2006, June). *Becoming a parent for the first time: A structural model of adolescent and adult mothers' cognitive readiness to parent during pregnancy and their observed parenting at 4 months*. Paper presented at the Head Start's National Research Conference, Washington, DC.
- Lefever, J. B., Lanzi, R. G., & the Centers for Prevention of Child Neglect (2007, March). *The Parenting for the First Time project: Design and methodology*. In J. G. Borkowski, (Chair), *Early Risk for Developmental Delays among Children of First Time Mothers: Two Year Findings from the Parenting for the First Time Project*. Paper symposium conducted at the Gatlinburg Conference, Annapolis, MD.
- Lefever, J. B., Guest, K. C., Franklin, F. A., Borkowski, J. G., & the Centers for Prevention of Child Neglect (2007, March). *Maternal risk and protective factors:*

- Impact on children's growth from birth to 2 years of age.* Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Meeting, Boston, MA.
- Lanzi, R. G., Guttentag, C., Baggett, K. M., Lefever, J. B., Guest, K. C., Lerner, E., Mattei, J., Willard-Noria, C., & the Centers for the Prevention of Child Neglect (2007, November). *Ethical issues in conducting research with low-income mothers and their babies: Implications for practice and policy.* Research Ethics Forum. Paper presented at the American Public Health Association 135th Annual Meeting & Exposition, Washington, DC.
- Carta, J., Bigelow, K., Lefever, J., Borkowski, J., & Warren, S. (2007, November). *Preventing child maltreatment through a cellular-phone technology-based parenting program.* Paper presented at a workshop, Sensing on Everyday Mobile Phones in Support of Participatory Research, at the Fifth ACM SenSys Conference on Embedded Networked Sensor Systems, New South Wales, Australia.
- Lefever, J. B., Carta, J., Bigelow, K., Self-Brown, S. R., Mattei, J., Borkowski, J., & Warren, S. (2008, March). *Increasing engagement in parenting interventions through the use of cell phones.* In J. G. Borkowski, (Chair), Translational Research and the Prevention of Developmental Delays. Paper symposium conducted at the Gatlinburg Conference, San Diego, CA.
- Carta, J., Lefever, J. B., Bigelow, K., Borkowski, J., & Self-Brown, S. (2009, January). *Examining the effects of adding cellular phones to a parenting intervention to reduce child maltreatment.* Paper presented at the 23rd Annual San Diego International Conference on Child and Family Maltreatment, San Diego, CA.
- Lefever, J. B., Nicholson, J., & Whitman, T. (2009, March). *Childhood trajectories of IQ and adaptive behavior: Predicting 14-year outcomes of children of adolescent mothers.* In D. Keogh, T. Whitman, & J. G. Borkowski, (Chairs), Longitudinal Perspectives on the Nature of Intellectual Disabilities. Paper symposium conducted at the Gatlinburg Conference, New Orleans, LA.
- Lefever, J. B., Bigelow, K. M., Borkowski, J., Carta, J., & Warren, S. (2009, April). *Using cell phones to enhance the effectiveness of a home visit parenting intervention for families at risk of child neglect.* In J. Carta, (Chair), New Approaches for Advancing Parenting Interventions to Prevent Child Maltreatment. Paper symposium conducted at the Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Meeting, Denver, CO.
- Lanzi, R. G., Lefever, J. B., Guest, K. C., & the Centers for Prevention of Child Neglect (2009, April). *Fluctuations in early maternal depression and parenting and child outcomes.* Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Meeting, Denver, CO.

- Waggoner, M. R., Klerman, L. V., Lefever, J. B., Ramey, S. L., & Lanzi, R. G. (2009, April). *Pregnancy intendedness and contraceptive use among young teenagers: A prospective study*. Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Meeting, Denver, CO.
- Bigelow, K., Lefever, J. B., Carta, J., & Self-Brown, S. (2009, April). *Using cell phones to enhance the effectiveness of a home visit parenting intervention for families at risk of child neglect*. Paper presented at the 17<sup>th</sup> National Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect, Atlanta, GA.
- Bigelow, K., Lefever, J. B., Carta, J., Borkowski, J. G., & Warren, S. F. (2010, July). *Using cell phones to enhance a parenting intervention for families at risk for child neglect*. Paper presented at the Head Start's National Research Conference, Washington, DC.
- Narvaez, D., Wang, L., Cheng, A., Burke, J., & Gleason, T. (2010, November). *Early life experience and social and moral development*. Symposium on Early Life Experience and Moral Development. Association for Moral Education Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO.
- Burke Lefever, J. E. & Nicholson, J. (2011, March). *Childhood trajectories of IQ and adaptive behavior: Predicting 18-year outcomes of children of adolescent mothers*. In K. Weed (Chair), *Children of Adolescent Mothers During Late Adolescence*. Paper symposium conducted at the Gatlinburg Conference, San Antonio, TX.
- Lanzi, R. G., Ramey, S. L., Patchen, L., & Lefever, J. E. B. (2011, March). *Longitudinal effects of chronicity and severity of maternal depression on family and child functioning: Cross-study findings*. Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Meeting, Montreal, Canada.
- Farris, J. R., Lefever, J. E. B., & Borkowski, J. G. (2011, March). *Dyadic development across 18 years: Maternal functioning in relation to children's early struggles and later resilience*. In J. Farris and K. Valentino, (Chairs), *Breaking the Cycle: Developmental Pathways of Children Born to Adolescent Mothers*. Paper symposium conducted at the Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Meeting, Montreal, Canada.
- Planalp, E. M., Lefever, J. E. B., Guest, K. C., & Braungart-Rieker, J. M. (2011, April). *Early environment and childhood obesity in Hispanic, African-American, and White families*. Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Meeting, Montreal, Canada.
- Narvaez, D., Brooks, J. A., Gleason, T., Wang, L., Cheng, Y. A., & Lefever, J. E. B. (2011, April). *Child outcome effects of the Environment of Evolutionary Adaptedness: Breastfeeding experience and touch at 30 and 36 months*. Poster

- presented at the Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Meeting, Montreal, Canada.
- Burke Lefever, J. E., Bigelow, K. M., Borkowski, J. G., & Carta, J. J. (2011, August). *Using cellular phones to enhance parenting interventions for families at risk for neglect*. In B. Fortson (Chair), Use of Technology to Enhance Parenting Programs and Prevent Child Maltreatment. Paper symposium presented at the American Psychological Association Annual Convention, Washington, DC.
- Carta, J. J., Bigelow, K. M., Burke Lefever, J. E., & Borkowski, J. G. (2011, August). *Using cellular phones to enhance parenting interventions: A randomized trial*. Paper presented at the Center for Disease Control, Atlanta, GA.
- Lanzi, R. G., Ramey, S. L., Patchen, L. Lefever, J. B., & Shalowitz, M. (2011, October). *Public health implications of maternal depression on family and child functioning: Cross-study findings*. Paper presented at the American Public Health Association 139th Annual Meeting & Exposition, Washington, DC.
- Carta, J., Bigelow, K., & Lefever, J. B. (2011, December). *Using mobile phones to enhance parent engagement in a home visiting intervention to prevent child maltreatment*. Paper presentation at the Institute of Medicine's Forum on Global Violence Prevention, Washington, D.C.
- Nicholson, J. S., Lefever, J. B., Farris, J. R., Bert, S. C., & Akai, C. E. (2012, February). *The implementation of active control groups in parent-based interventions*. Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development Themed Meeting on Developmental Methodology, Tampa, FL.
- Bigelow, K., Lefever, J. B., & Carta, J. (2012, February). *Improving parent engagement in a parenting intervention through the use of cellular phones: A randomized trial*. Poster presented at the Conference on Research Innovations in Early Intervention, San Diego, CA.
- Baumann, A., Lanzi, R. G., & Lefever, J. B. (2012, October). Do depressive symptoms and resources influence the use of safe parenting practices by first time moms? Paper presented at the American Public Health Association 140th Annual Meeting & Exposition, San Francisco, CA.
- Lefever, J. B., Borkowski, J. G., Carta, J., & Bigelow, K. (2013, February). *Using mobile phones to supplement home visitation*. Invited presentation at the Third National Summit on Quality in Home Visiting Programs, Washington, DC.
- Narvaez, D., Gleason, T., Brooks, J., Cheng, Y., Lefever, J. B., & Wang, L. (2013, April). *How do nurturing parenting attitudes influence moral character development and flourishing?* Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Meeting, Seattle, WA.

- Lefever, J. B., Carta, J., Bigelow, K., & Borkowski, J. (2013, April). *Examining the effectiveness of cell phones to enhance a home-visiting parenting intervention with at-risk mothers*. Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development Biennial Meeting, Seattle, WA.
- Lefever, J. B. (2014, April). *Cell phones as windows into at-risk parenting*. Invited presentation at the Council on Contemporary Families Annual Research Conference, Miami, FL.
- Burke, J., Guest, K. C., Lee, Y., & Lanzi, R. (2015, January). *Cognitive readiness to parent among primiparous adolescent and adult mothers and its impact on child outcomes at 12 months*. E-Poster presented at the meeting of the Society for Social Work and Research (SSWR), New Orleans, LA.
- Lefever, J. B. (2015, February). *Cell phones as windows to at-risk parenting*. Invited on-line presentation for the University of Wisconsin - Family Living Tech Talk series.
- Park, I. J. K., Alegría, M., Castillo, A., Lefever, J. B., Martinez, J., Martinez, K., Pérez, G., Salinas, R., Schmid, M. E., Uzcategui, C., & Vasoli, M. R. (2015, March). *The mediating role of anger regulation in the discrimination—distress link among Mexican-origin adolescents*. Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD) Biennial Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.
- Carta, J., Lefever, J. B., Bigelow, K., & Borkowski, J. (2015, March). *Using cellular phones to enhance parent engagement in home visiting parenting programs*. Paper symposium presented at the Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD) Biennial Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.
- Narvaez, D., Wang, L., Cheng, Y., Gleason, T., & Lefever, J. B. (2015, March). *The importance of early life touch for psychosocial and moral development*. Paper symposium presented at the Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD) Biennial Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.
- Lefever, J. B., Guajardo, K., Johnson, R., & Guzman, J. C. (2015, March). *The influence of parental engagement activities and attitudes on the pre-academic outcomes of Head Start children*. Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD) Biennial Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.
- Kurth, A., Narvaez, D., Wang, L., Cheng, Y., Gleason, T., & Lefever, J. B. (2015, March). *Maternal positive and negative touch behaviors longitudinally predict temperament and social-emotional delays*. Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD) Biennial Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.
- Miller-Graff, L., & Lefever, J. B. (2015, September). *Violence against women during pregnancy: Enduring effects in the post-partum period and implications for the*

- intergenerational transmission of risk*. Poster presented at the European Conference on Domestic Violence (ECDV), Belfast, Northern Ireland.
- Nowak, A. L., Braungart-Rieker, J. M., & Lefever, J. B. (2016, May). *Links between early parenting and trajectories of infant emotion regulation as a function of maternal risk*. Poster presented at the International Conference on Infant Studies (ICIS), New Orleans, LA.
- Tran, D., Braungart-Rieker, J. M., & Lefever, J. B. (2016, May). *Pre- and postnatal depressive symptoms in relation to trajectories of parenting*. Poster presented at the International Conference on Infant Studies (ICIS), New Orleans, LA.
- Niklinska, E. B., Tumminello, M. E., Braungart-Rieker, J. M., Cummings, E. M., Burke, J., Sarma, M. S., & Gettler, L.T. (2016, June). *An exploratory analysis of the relationships between mothers' and fathers' testosterone, general well-being, and depression levels*. Poster presented at the 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society (HBES), Vancouver, BC, Canada.
- Tumminello, M. E., Niklinska, E. B., Braungart-Rieker, J. M., Cummings, E. M., Burke, J., Sarma, M. S., & Gettler, L.T. (2016, June). *Intersections between parental sleep quality, testosterone, individual well-being, and relationship happiness*. Poster presented at the 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Human Behavior and Evolution Society (HBES), Vancouver, BC, Canada.
- Frausto, A., Lefever, J. B., & Braungart-Rieker, J. M. (2016, October). *Testing bidirectional paths between father involvement and child socioemotional competence in young boys of color*. Poster presented at the Society for Research in Child Development (SRCD) Babies, Boys, and Men of Color conference, Tampa, FL.
- Narvaez, D., Cheng, Y., Woodbury, R., Gleason, T., Lefever, J. B., & Wang, L. (December, 2016). *Relation of early nest experience to moral development in young children*. Association for Moral Education annual meeting, Harvard University, Boston.
- Braungart-Rieker, J. M., Lefever, J. E. B., Moore, E., & Guajardo, K. (June, 2018). *Undercover Mother: An intervention to improve the nutritional environment of preschool-aged children in low-income households*. The Administration for Children and Families' (ACF) National Research Conference on Early Childhood, Arlington, VA.

## WORKSHOPS

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NIH Regional Seminar: Program Funding and Grants Administration  
Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research  
University of Illinois at Chicago  
June 19 – 20, 2008

Applied Methodologies for Reducing Obesity in Latino Communities  
Inter-University Program for Latino Research  
University of Notre Dame  
July 26 – 28, 2010

IES/NCER Summer Research Training Institute: Design and Analysis of Practical Quasi-Experiments for Use in Education  
Institute for Policy Research  
Northwestern University  
August 2 – 6, 2010

IES/NCER Summer Research Training Institute: Cluster Randomized Trials  
Institute for Policy Research  
Northwestern University  
June 19 – 30, 2011

## SERVICE

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Horizon Education Alliance - Impact Committee	August 2015 - present
The SOURCE - Evaluation Committee	March 2016 - present
Elkhart Education Foundation – Board Member	August 2018 - present
Community Foundation of Elkhart County – Research & Evaluation Committee	September 2018 - present

## JOURNAL REVIEWING EXPERIENCE

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Applied and Preventive Psychology  
Child Abuse and Neglect  
Child Development  
Child Maltreatment  
Early Childhood Research Quarterly  
Journal of Intellectual and Developmental Disability  
Journal of Reproductive and Infant Psychology  
National Head Start Association Dialog  
PLOS One  
Development and Psychopathology



## GRANT REVIEWING EXPERIENCE

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Office of Planning, Research & Evaluation (OPRE) of the Administration for Children & Families (ACF) – Early Head Start University Partnerships

Office of Planning, Research & Evaluation (OPRE) of the Administration for Children & Families (ACF) – Early Care and Education Research Scholars

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

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Society for Research in Child Development  
American Psychological Association