Early Childhood Interventions Working Group Inaugural Conference

Organized by James J. Heckman, Burton Singer, Richard Tremblay, Seong Hyeok Moon, and Rodrigo Pinto

> Human Capital and Economic Opportunity Global Working Group April 21, 2012 Swift Hall University of Chicago, 1025 E. 58th Street, Chicago IL 60637

Program

12:30 -1:30pm Lunch

1:30 - 2:00pm Welcoming remarks, James J. Heckman (University of Chicago)

2:00 - 3:45pm Session 1: Strengthening Methodology

Moderator: Burton Singer (University of Florida)

Speakers:

Stephen Raudenbush (University of Chicago)

"Studying the Impact of Program Participation in Multi-Site Trials Using Instrumental Variables"

Susan Murphy (University of Michigan)

"Getting SMART About Adapting Interventions"

Rodrigo Pinto (University of Chicago)

"Statistical and Econometric Issues in Evaluating Early Childhood Interventions"

4:00 - 5:45pm Session 2: Measuring Vulnerabilities and Outcomes

Moderator: Seong Hyeok Moon (University of Chicago)

Speakers:

Jeanne Brooks-Gunn (Columbia University)

"Fragile Families: Implications for Parenting and Child Well-Being"

Eric Pakulak (University of Oregon)

"Experiential, Genetic, and Epigenetic Effects on Human Neurocognitive Development"

Stephen Suomi (NICHD)

"Epigenetic Consequences of Early Social Experiences in Rhesus Monkeys."

6:00pm Depart from Swift Hall to Osteria Via Stato. Transportation will be provided.

6:30-9:15pm Reception and Dinner, Osteria Via Stato, 620 N. State Street, Chicago, IL 60610

9:15pm Dinner adjourns.Transportation will be provided from Osteria to hotels (Radisson blu

and Silversmith).