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The impact of immigration policy on children and families

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Refreshments provided!

A total of 5 million children in the U.S. have at least one parent who is undocumented/unauthorized, living in the U.S. without proper documentation. These families live in constant fear of detention and deportation due to archaic immigration policies that fail to reflect demographic changes over time. The last major immigration legislation in the U.S. dates to 1996, and it was not intended to support families but instead create more restrictions and penalties. Nevertheless, immigrants, with or without status, have become an integral part of the U.S. as workers, families, entrepreneurs, taxpayers, and neighbors. But what do we know about the interaction between immigration policy and child welfare? What is the short- and long-term impact of archaic immigration laws on children and families? What is the overall public health impact of anti-immigrant policies?

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