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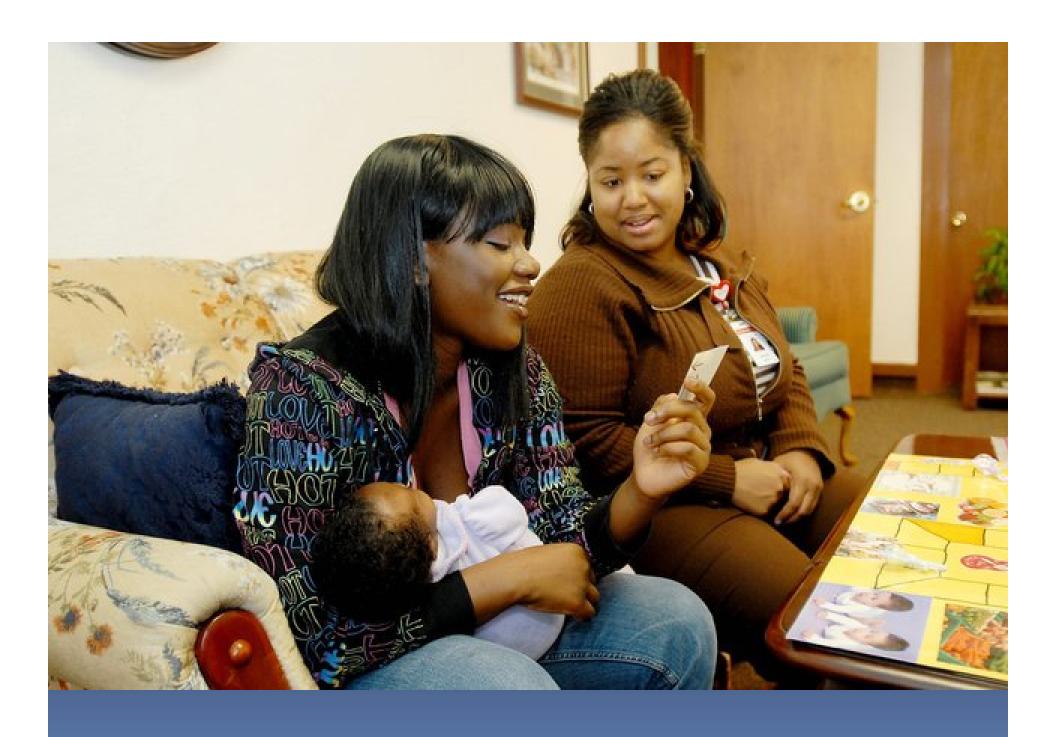


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### Home Visitors Research Network

## Sites

Enterprise Community Healthy Start GA

Healthy Families IN MOM Program IN

Healthy Families of Grant Co IN

CHIP of Roanoke VA

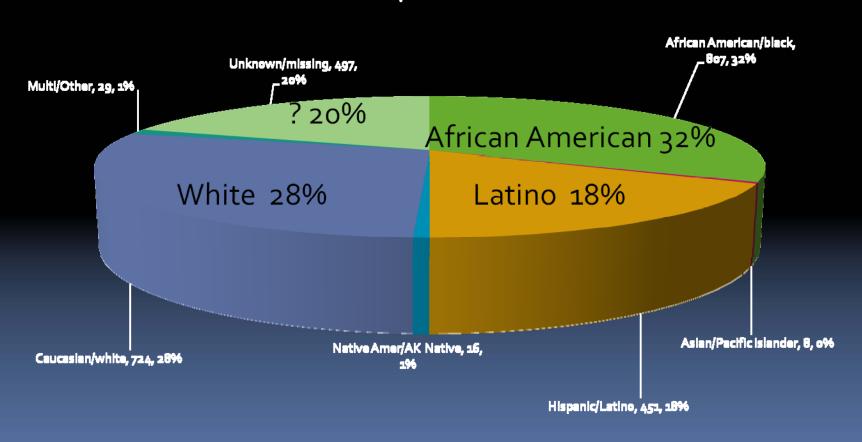
Partnership for Strengthening Families MT

Early Head Start Monterey Office of Ed CA



## Racial/Ethnic Distribution N=2532 Parent/Child Pairs

#### Ethnic distribution of parents in database





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# Reflection: the 4<sup>th</sup> R



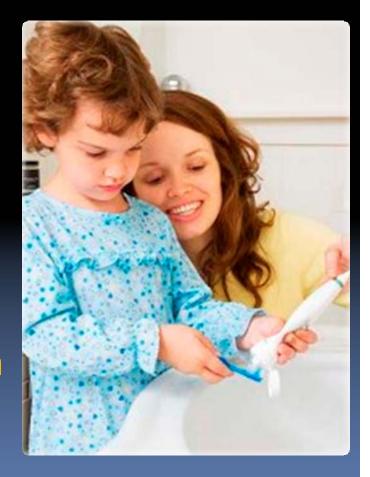
## Functional Literacies

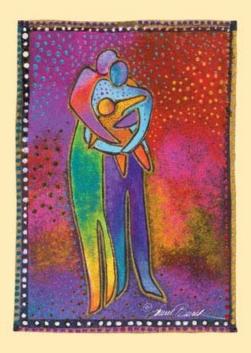
Literacy used for practical purposes





Functional Health Literacy
Use healthcare
Manage personal & family health





# Life Skills Progression ?

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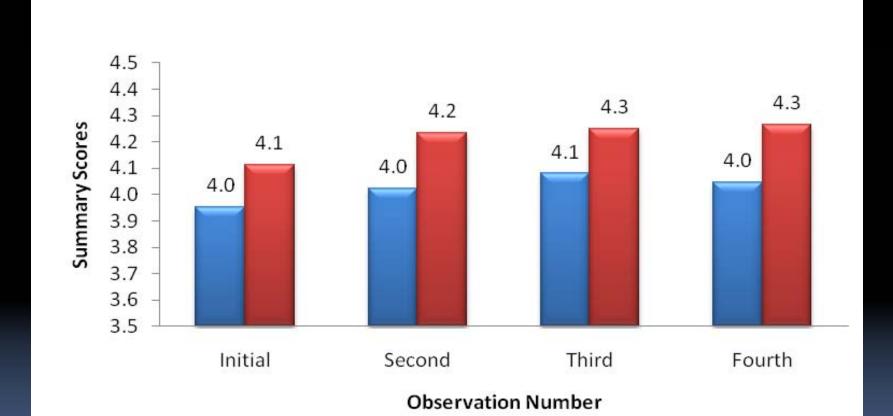
## LSP Functional *Healthcare* Literacy Scale

	Ф	Healthcare	NA	Inadequate (				— Competent
Item	Score	Literacy	0	1 1.	5 2 2	5 3 3	.5 4 4.	5 5
10	3	Use of Information		Refuses information from HV or HC	Uses inaccurate information from information sources	Passively accepts some information from HV and HC	Accepts/uses most information from HV or HC	Actively seeks/uses information from HV, HC & other sources
17	2	Prenatal Care		No prenatal care	Care starts in 2nd-3rd trimester. Keeps some appointments	Care starts 2nd-3rd trimester. Keeps most appointments	Starts care in 1st trimester. Keeps most appointments	Keeps postpartum appointments
18	3	Parent Sick Care		Acute/chronic conditions go without Dx/Tx. No medical home	Seeks care only when very ill. Uses ER for care. No medical home	Seeks care consistently; inconsistent Tx follow-up. Unstable medical home	Seeks care appropriately. Follows Tx recommended. Has medical home	Seeks care appropriately Cure or control obtained. Has medical home
19	3	Family Planning		No FP method used. Lacks information about FP	FP method use is rare. Limited understanding of FP	Occasional use of FP methods. Some understanding of FP	Regular use of FP methods. Good under- standing of FP	Regular use of FP methods. Plans/spaces pregnancies
20	3.5	Child Well Care		None; no medical home	Seldom; no medical home	Occasional appointments Unstable medical home	Has annual exam only. Has stable medical home	Keeps regular CHDP/well-child appointments with same provider
21	3	Child Sick Care		Medical neglext. No Dx/Tx for acute or chronic conditions	Has care only when very ill. Uses ER for care	Timely care for minor illness but inconsistent Tx f/u	Timely care of minor illness. Follows Tx recommended	Obtains optimal care for acute or chronic conditions
22	0	Child Dental Care	<b>/</b>	No dental home or care w/ serious ECC. Poor hygiene	No dental home or care with some ECC and inadequate Tx/hygiene	Has dental home and hygiene but late Tx of ECC	Has dental home. Some preventative care/timely Tx	Has dental home. Regular preventative care and timely Tx
23	2.5	Child Immunizations		None or refused	IZ History uncertain. Records lost	IZ's begun, but no return appointment	IZ delayed, has return appointment	Complete or up-to-date IZ
33	3	Medical/Health Insurance		None/unable to afford care or coverage	Medicaid for pregnancy or emergency only	Medicaid full-scope benefits with or without Share of Cost	State-subsidized or partial-pay coverage	Private Insurance with or without co-pay for self/ others
Average	2.9	Healthcare Literacy	S-16-5					

## LSP Functional *Selfcare* Literacy Scale

Item	Score	Functional Selfcare Literacy	NA 0	Inadequate (——	1.5 2 2	5 3 3	.5 4 4.	Competent 5 5
4	0	Attitudes to Pregnancy	<b>V</b>	Unplanned and unwanted. Abortion or adoption plan	Unplanned, ambivalent, fearful. Coerced to keep child	Unplanned and accepted	Planned but unprepared	Planned, prepared, welcomed
7	2.5	Support of Development		Poor knowledge of child development. Unrealistic expectations. Ignores or refuses information	Limited knowledge of child development. Limited interest in development. Passive parental role	Open to child development information. Provides some toys, books and play for age	Applies child development ideas. Interested in child's development skills, interests and play	Anticipates child development changes; Uses appropriate toys/books; plays & reads w/child daily
8	3	Safety		Hospitalized for Tx of unintentional injury. Has permanent damage	Outpatient/ER Tx of unintentional injury to child. No permanent damage	No unintentional injury to child. Home/Car unsafe; not childproofed	No unintentional injury to child. Home partially safe. Uses car seat. Uses information	Child protected, no injury Home/car safe. Teaches safety. Seeks/uses information for age
11	2.5	Use of Resources		Resource needs unrecognized. Community resources not used or refused; hostile	Resource needs unrecognized. Limited use when assisted by others. Misses most appointments	Accepts help to identify needs; uses resources when assisted by others. Keeps some appointments	Identifies needs. Uses resources with little assistance. Keeps most appointments	Identifies needs. Uses resources independently. Keeps or reschedules appointments
24	5	Substance Use or Abuse		Chronic Hx drug and/or alcohol abuse with addiction	Drug/alcohol binge or intermittent use, without apparent addiction	Rare or experimental use of drugs or clean. In recovery group or Tx program	Occasional use of legal substances; stops if pregnant	No Hx or current use/abuse
25	5	Tobacco		Chain smokes; >2 pks/day; uses smokeless; heavy second-hand exposure	Non-chain use or some second-hand exposure	Decreases amount when pregnant. Controls second-hand exposure	No use or second-hand exposure in past six months or current pregnancy	None or never
28	2	Self-Esteem		Poor; self-critical. Anticipates criticism from others. Rarely initiates; avoids trying new skills	Copes sometimes; but w/limited competence and flat affect. Limited initiative for leaning new skills	Irritable/defensive. Makes excuses, blames others. Initiates/starts using new skills but gives up easily	Beginning to actively initiate. Develops skills & recognizes own competence. Emerging confidence visible	Confident in skill & ability to learn. Expresses pride in achievements & successes
Average	3.3	Selfcare Literacy						

# Overall FHL improved over time in home visiting p<.001



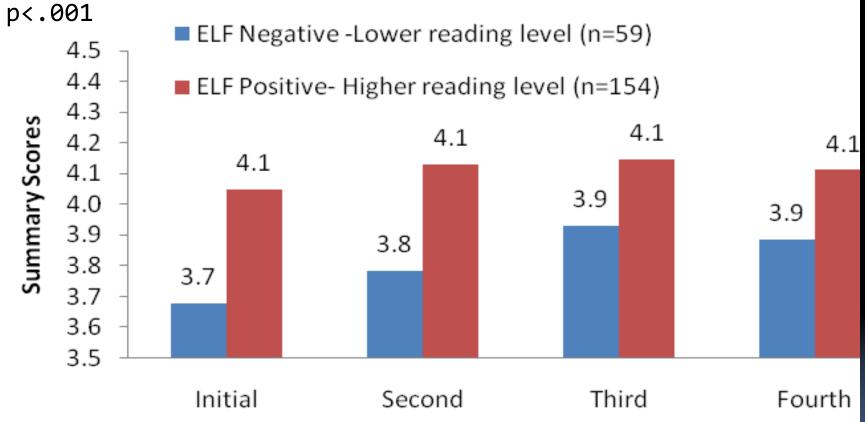
#### Functional Healthcare Literacy (n=236)

Time: F(3,233)=7.5; p<.001 Linear: F(1,235)=10.2; p<.01 Quadratic: F(1,235)=9.0; p<.01

#### Funtional Selfcare Literacy (n=241)

Time: F(3,238)=12.3; p<.001 Linear: F(1,240)=23.7; p<.001 Quadratic: F(1,235)=13.0; p<.001

### Poor readers made greatest gains



ELF: F(1,211)=24.3; p<.001

Time: F(3,209)=9.9; p<.001

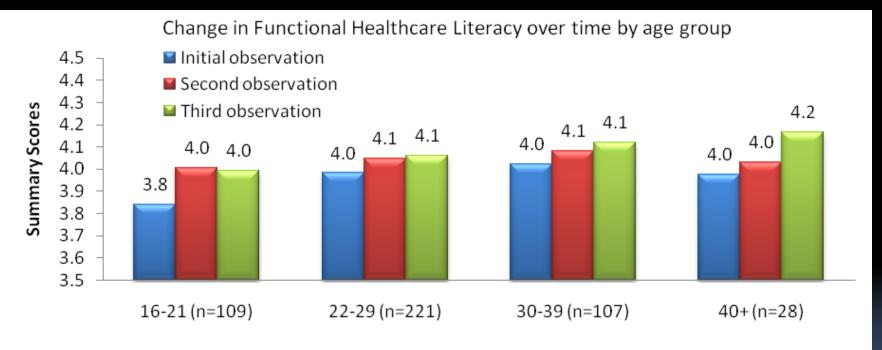
Linear: F(1,211)=15.4; p<.001

Quadratic: F(1,211)=10.9; p<.01

#### Observation

Linear\*ELF: F(1,211)=5.2; p<.05

# All ages progressed P<.001 Teens made greatest gains p<.05



Age group

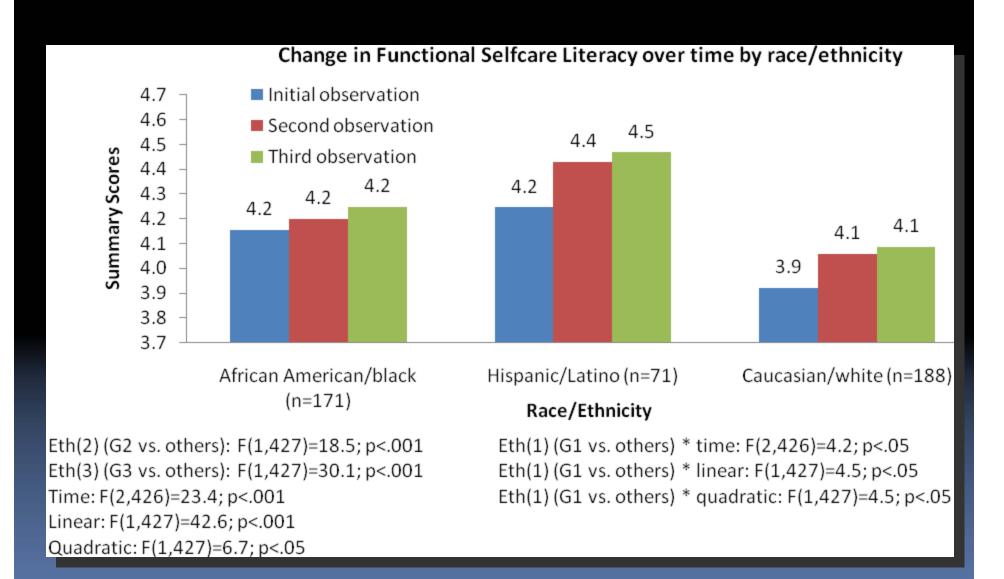
Age (1) (G1 vs. others): F(1,461)=4.2; p<.05

Time: F(2,460)=11.2; p<.001

Linear: F(1,461)=22.3; p<.001

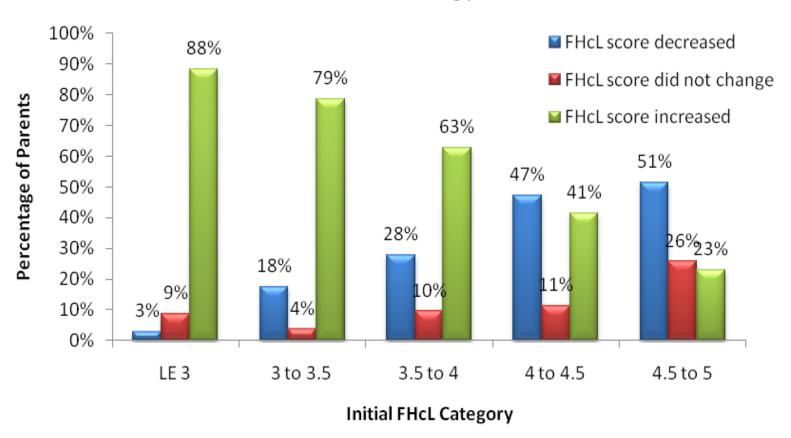
Age(1) (G1 vs. others) \* time: F(2,460)=3.3; p<.05 Age(1) (G1 vs. others) \* quadratic: F(1,461)=6.6; p<.05

## All races improved. Patterns differ



# Lower functioning ~ greater gains

Home visitation seems to have greater impact on the FHealthcare Literacy scores of lower functioning parents

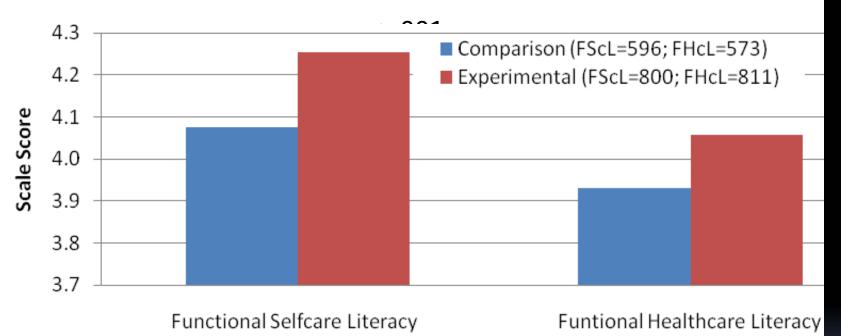


### Attrition Unrelated to Scores

	I	n	Attrition		
LSP	Score <4	Score >=4	Score <4	Score >=4	
1, AP	57 82.6%	12 17.4%	%=(LSP N Out)/(LS)		
2, PP	28	41	N-1 In)		
	40.6%	59.4%	↓		
3, PP	17	34	8	10	
	33.3%	66.7%	28.6%	24.4%	
4, PP	6	28	8	9	
	17.6%	82.4%	47.1%	26.5%	
5, PP	3	14	3	14	
	17.6%	82.4%	50.0%	50.0%	

Health Care Literacy: NHS Clients with One AP and at Least One PP LSP Attrition was not related to scores at PP3, 4, or 5 compared to baseline (AP1,PP2), using Fisher's Exact Probability (two-sided) p<.05. n=69

# Matched Comparison with & without home visits



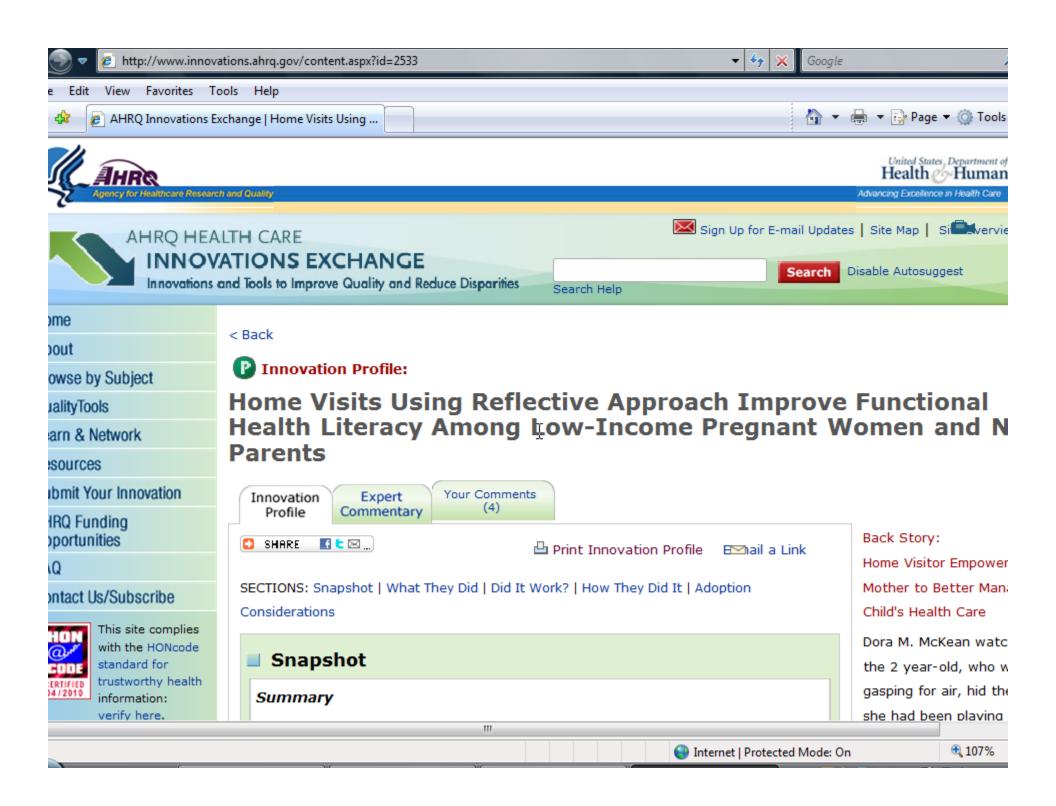
#### Scale

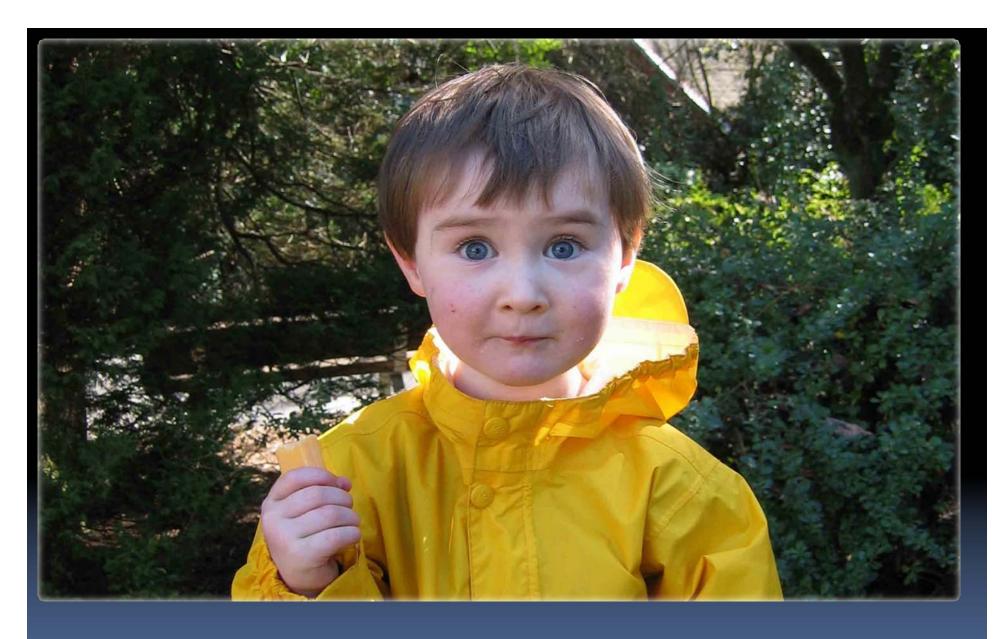
FScL: F(1,1394)=38.4; p<.001 FHcL: F(1,1382)=19.4; p<.001

With 480 blocks:

FScL: F(1,917)=41.1; p<.001 FHcL: F(1,907)=16.9; p<.001

<sup>\*</sup>Parents were matched within site by available demographic information, including age at experimental parent's follow up measure, ethnicity, ELF score, and gender.





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