

Additional Results

IMH-HV Reduces Risk of Child Maltreatment

Recently, our team published promising findings that demonstrated that participation in the Michigan Model of Infant Mental Health Home Visiting (IMH-HV) led to reductions in risk for child maltreatment after one year of intervention (Julian et al., 2023). Specifically, families who received IMH-HV who were above the child abuse potential risk cutoff score (as measured by the Brief Child Abuse Potential scale, or BCAP) was significantly lower (54.54%) compared to those without treatment (63.63%). Even after controlling for baseline BCAP scores, this group difference was significant ($\chi^2(2) = 24.82, p < .001$), with the model explaining 43.20% of the variance in post-treatment BCAP risk scores and correctly classifying 75.80% of cases. Those who did not receive IMH-HV services were 3.03 times more likely to have a BCAP risk score above the cutoff indicating risk of child maltreatment than those who received IMH-HV services. The additional context to these results strengthens the findings from this and other published papers that IMH-HV has a positive impact on reducing risk of child maltreatment (Julian et al., 2021; Julian et al., 2023; Stacks et al., 2026).

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