

# South Carolina Nurse-Family Partnership Pay for Success Project

## PARTNERS

### **The South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services – Project Leader**

The South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) is a cabinet agency of the South Carolina Governor's Office. The SCDHHS is the single state agency designated to administer the South Carolina Medicaid program, called Healthy Connections, under Title XIX of the Social Security Act. The agency is responsible for determining Healthy Connections Medicaid eligibility for all coverage groups and paying claims on behalf of its members. Through Healthy Connections Medicaid, SCDHHS concentrates on better care, better value and better health for South Carolinians.

### **Nurse-Family Partnership**

Nurse-Family Partnership ([www.nursefamilypartnership.org](http://www.nursefamilypartnership.org)) will be providing nurses for 3,200 clients over the next six years. Nurse-Family Partnership is dedicated to improving the health and well-being of low-income, first-time parents and their children through its evidence-based public home visiting program. Nurse-Family Partnership is the most rigorously tested [maternal and early childhood health program](#) of its kind. Randomized, controlled trials conducted over more than 38 years demonstrate multi-generational outcomes that benefit society economically and reduce long-term social service expenditures.

## PHILANTHROPIC PARTNERS

**BlueCross BlueShield of South Carolina Foundation:** Headquartered in Columbia, the foundation ([www.bcbsscfoundation.org](http://www.bcbsscfoundation.org)) is an independent licensee of the Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association. Its mission is to promote and support healthier South Carolinians, particularly the economically vulnerable, by supporting solutions to address gaps in health care and serving as an agent of change to support innovation and value-added public-private partnerships.

**The Duke Endowment:** Based in Charlotte and established in 1924 by industrialist and philanthropist James B. Duke, The Duke Endowment is a private foundation that strengthens communities in North Carolina and South Carolina by nurturing children, promoting health, educating minds and enriching spirits. Since its founding, it has distributed more than \$3 billion in grants. The Endowment shares a name with Duke University and Duke Energy, but all are separate organizations.

**The Boeing Company:** Boeing South Carolina is home to the company's second 787 Dreamliner final assembly and delivery facility. The site also fabricates, assembles and installs systems for aft (rear) fuselage sections of the Boeing [787 Dreamliner](#) and joins and integrates midbody fuselage sections. Completed aft and midbody sections are delivered to final assembly in Everett, Wash., via Dreamlifter, or are moved across the campus to final assembly in North Charleston, S.C. Since 2009, Boeing has invested more than \$25 million with non-profit organizations throughout the state of South Carolina.

**Greenville First Steps:** Founded in 1999 by South Carolina state legislature, Greenville First Steps partners with local schools, early childhood educators, state agencies, churches, nonprofits, faith-based organizations, and businesses to promote school readiness initiatives by enhancing the work these agencies are doing in our community. Greenville First Steps, a 501(c)3 organization, is the only agency in Greenville County solely focused on improving school readiness outcomes for children aged 0-5. In 2015, Greenville First Steps contributed \$1.9 million of state and private dollars within our community to enhance early educational opportunities, improve birth outcomes, and promote best practices.

**Laura and John Arnold Foundation:** The foundation is committed to addressing our nation’s most pressing and persistent challenges using evidence-based, multi-disciplinary approaches.

**The Children’s Trust Fund of South Carolina:** Children’s Trust of South Carolina, a public-private nonprofit organization, is the only statewide organization focused on the prevention of child abuse, neglect and injury. Children’s Trust trains and educates professionals who work directly with families and also funds, supports and monitors proven prevention programs. In the South Carolina Pay for Success project, Children’s Trust is the fiscal agent, holding and disbursing philanthropic funds and success payments.

## **ADDITIONAL PARTNERS**

**Social Finance:** Social Finance, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to mobilizing capital to drive social progress. We are committed to using PFS to tackle complex social challenges, facilitate greater access to services for vulnerable populations, and direct capital to evidence-based social services – all with the goal of measurably improving the lives of people most in need. Social Finance was one of the first organizations in the United States dedicated to providing PFS intermediary services. Our sister organization in the United Kingdom, Social Finance Ltd., launched the first PFS project in the world. We have successfully designed and implemented all aspects of PFS projects, including program design, evaluation structure, economic and financial modeling, and contract development.

**J-PAL North America:** J-PAL North America collaborates with policy makers and practitioners to improve the effectiveness of social programs through three core activities: catalyzing and supporting randomized evaluations, communicating evidence to help translate research into action, and building policymakers’ capacity to create and use evidence. J-PAL North America is a regional office of the Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL), which was established in 2003 as a research center at MIT’s Department of Economics. Since then, it has built a global network of 130 affiliated professors and a professional staff based at six regional offices, who have conducted more than 680 randomized evaluations in 64 countries.

The evaluation’s principal investigator is J-PAL affiliated professor Katherine Baicker, C. Boyden Gray Professor of Health Economics at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health.

**Government Performance Lab at the Harvard Kennedy School:** The Government Performance Lab at the Harvard Kennedy School conducts research on how governments can improve the results they achieve for their citizens. An important part of this research model involves providing pro bono technical assistance to state and local governments. Through this hands-on involvement, the Government Performance Lab gains insights into the barriers that governments face and the solutions that can overcome these barriers. The GPL advised the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services throughout the phases of project development – including project design, data analysis, and contract negotiations.

**WilmerHale:** WilmerHale is a leading, full-service international law firm with attorneys that work at the intersection of government, technology and business. The firm provided pro-bono legal support, helping to structure and develop the PFS agreement.

**Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP:** With more than 500 attorneys and government relations professionals practicing across the Eastern United States including the Carolinas, Nelson Mullins provides advice and legal counsel to clients ranging from private individuals to large businesses. The firm provided low-bono legal support, assisting with the development of the PFS agreement.