

Sarah Fass Hiatt

sarah@take2services.com

Professional Experience

Take Two Services, New York, NY

January 2012 – Present

Consultant

Serve as a team member providing fundraising and development services for nonprofit clients, including grant writing, prospect research, and strategic development. Clients have included the Lower East Side Family Union and SCO Family of Services.

Single Stop USA, New York, NY

June 2009 – December 2011

Program Officer, Policy & Evaluation

Contributed to the implementation of Single Stop's federal and state policy agenda to improve access to work supports (including food stamps, child care assistance, tax credits, and health insurance). Authored major reports and publications on opportunities to improve coordination of public benefit programs. Built relationships with key government stakeholders at the federal, state, and local level and contributed to Single Stop's role in co-convening a major national policy coalition. Managed information-sharing network with Single Stop community-based organization and community college sites.

National Center for Children in Poverty, Columbia University, Mailman School of Public Health, NY, NY

Policy Associate, Family Economic Security

June 2008-June 2009

Researched and wrote major publications on federal and state policies that address the needs of low-income families; developed expertise in family and medical leave policy. Managed relationships with state partner organizations as part of Center's Making Work Supports *Work* project. Developed and delivered presentations on child poverty and work supports to relevant stakeholders, including policymakers, researchers, and advocates. Guided the media and messaging work for the Family Economic Security team; responded to requests from the media on behalf of the Center.

Policy Analyst/Public Affairs Associate

September 2005 – June 2008

Coordinated the public affairs activities of the Center, including managing the response to media requests, writing press releases, and tracking all communications with the media. Authored fact sheets, reports, and briefs on child poverty, poverty measurement, and work supports. Managed the Center's e-newsletter, distributed to more than 10,000 subscribers.

Research Assistant, Family Economic Security

June 2003 – August 2005

Contributed to the development of web-based tools assessing state variation in policies for low-income families. Assisted with development of new content for 50-state policy database. Coordinated meetings sponsored by Center for policymakers, researchers, and advocates.

Child Care Action Campaign, New York, NY

Project Coordinator

August 2002 - June 2003

Managed the development and implementation of the *Child Care Inequality* initiative, a series of forums dedicated to the topic of how society values care giving. Drafted and edited *Child Care Inequality* publications, including reports, summaries and updates, and presentation proposals.

Senior Administrative Assistant, Department of Intergovernmental Relations

Administered and organized the activities of the department by providing research and administrative support to the department director and other staff. Hired and supervised department interns.

Intern, Department of Intergovernmental Relations

Attended congressional hearings and media events and wrote summary reports for department staff. Conducted research on legislation and congressional voting records on children's issues.

Education

Columbia University, Mailman School of Public Health, New York, NY

Master of Public Health, May 2008

Georgetown University, Washington, DC

Bachelor of Arts, May 2001

Majors: American Studies and French

Select Publications

Hiatt, Sarah Fass; Newcomer, Abigail. 2010. *President Obama's Asset Limit Proposal: Supporting Families and Promoting Improved Coordination*. Single Stop USA and Center for Law and Social Policy for the Coalition for Access and Opportunity.

Fass, Sarah. 2009. *Paid Leave in the States: A Critical Support for Low-Wage Workers and Their Families*. National Center for Children in Poverty, Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University.

Fass, Sarah; Briggs, Jodie; Cauthen, Nancy K. 2008. *Staying Afloat in Tough Times: What States Are and Are Not Doing to Promote Family Economic Security*. National Center for Children in Poverty, Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University.

Fass, Sarah; Dinan, Kinsey Alden; Cauthen, Nancy K.; Purmort, Jessica. 2008. *Making Work Pay for Iowa's Families*. National Center for Children in Poverty, Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University.

Fass, Sarah; Cauthen, Nancy K. 2008. *Who are America's Poor Children?: The Official Story*. National Center for Children in Poverty, Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University.

Cauthen, Nancy K.; Fass, Sarah. 2008. *Ten Important Questions About Child Poverty and Family Economic Hardship*. National Center for Children in Poverty, Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University.

Cauthen, Nancy K.; Fass, Sarah. 2008. *Measuring Income and Poverty in the United States*. National Center for Children in Poverty, Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University.

Fass, Sarah; Cauthen, Nancy K. 2005. *Child Poverty in States Hit by Hurricane Katrina*. National Center for Children in Poverty, Mailman School of Public Health, Columbia University.

Fass, Sarah. 2003. *Inheriting the Future: The Millennials Speak of Care and Community*. Child Care Action Campaign.