*Massachusetts FIS 6MO FU Data*

Two people responded to our 6 month follow-up survey. Below are the results:

**Please indicate your position:**

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| --- | --- | --- |
| Answer | % | Count |
| Legislator | 0.00% | 0 |
| Legislative aide/staff member | 50.00% | 1 |
| Governor's staff | 0.00% | 0 |
| State Agency staff | 0.00% | 0 |
| Nonprofit organization administrator/staff | 50.00% | 1 |
| University faculty | 0.00% | 0 |
| University student | 0.00% | 0 |
| Service Provider | 0.00% | 0 |
| Total | 100% | 2 |

**How have you used the information from the seminar, "Mission Critical: Reforming Foster Care and Child Protective Services in Massachusetts"?**

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| --- | --- | --- |
| Question | Yes | No |
| To evaluate pending legislation? | 1 | 1 |
| To draft legislation? | 0 | 1 |
| To incorporate into speeches or presentations? | 1 | 1 |
| To identify others who are interested in the issue? | 0 | 2 |
| To share with colleagues? | 2 | 0 |
| To identify references for further information? | 2 | 0 |
| To contact researchers on the issue? | 0 | 2 |
| To respond to constituent questions? | 1 | 0 |
| To inform state policymakers? | 2 | 0 |
| To influence state policymakers? | 0 | 2 |
| To change the way policies or programs are implemented? | 1 | 1 |

**You received policy briefs written by the speakers when you attended the Family Impact Seminar. Have you been able to use the information from these policy briefs in any way?**

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| --- | --- |
| Answer | Count |
| Yes | 1 |
| No | 1 |

**Did you share any of the policy briefs with someone in your office or someone you think could benefit from it?**

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| Answer | Count |
| Yes | 2 |
| No | 0 |

**Did you ask a staff person to read any of the policy briefs?**

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| Answer | Count |
| Yes | 1 |
| No | 1 |

**Did you use any of the policy briefs in some other way?**

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**Please indicate how this or other Family Impact Seminars you've attended may have affected you?**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Question | Not at all | A little | Quite a bit |
| Because of the Family Impact Seminars, I am more likely to consider how pending legislation might affect families | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Because of the Family Impact Seminars, I am more likely to consider how new legislation that I am developing might affect families | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Because of the Family Impact Seminars, I am more likely to see the practical value of research | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Because of the Family Impact Seminars, I am more likely to view researchers as approachable | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Because of the Family Impact Seminars, I am more likely to see how complex problems can be broken into manageable pieces | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Because of the Family Impact Seminars, I am more likely to get to know my colleagues on the other side of the aisle | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Because of the Family Impact Seminars, I am more likely to get to know policymakers | 0 | 1 | 0 |

**Now I’d like to ask you some questions about information that is useful to policymakers. Policymakers get useful information from many sources on many different issues. We are specifically interested in the information you receive on families. Using a scale of 1 to 5 with 1 being not useful, and 5 being very useful, how useful are the following as sources of information about families?**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Question | Not useful | 2 | 3 | 4 | Very Useful |
| Committee hearings related to families | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Constituents with concerns about family issues | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Recipients of family services | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| Lobbyists who work on family issues | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| State agency staff who work on family issues | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| National legislative organizations (e.g., NCSL) | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Media reports on family issues | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Websites related to families | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| Family Impact Seminars | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Family Impact Seminar Policy Briefs | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |

**Have you attended any of our previous Family Impact Seminars (e.g., on Youth at Risk, Men at Risk, or the Great Recession and Its Impact on Families, A Lot on Our Plate)?**

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| --- | --- |
| Answer | Count |
| Yes | 0 |
| No | 2 |
| Maybe/Don't Recall | 0 |