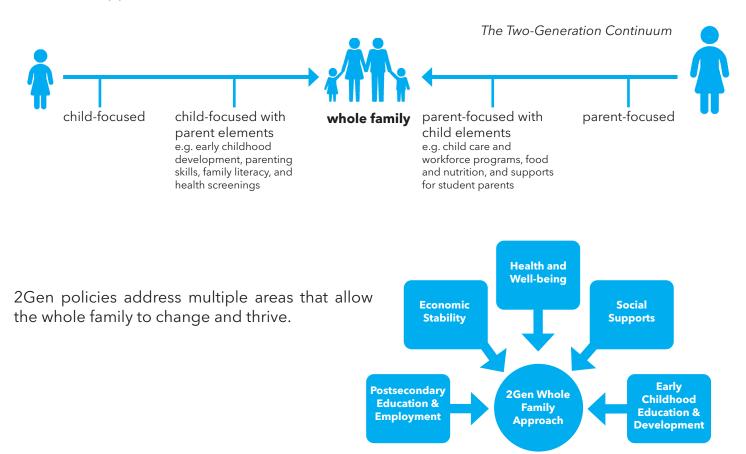
# Two-Generation "2Gen" Approach

### 2Gen: An Overview

The Two-Generation (2Gen) approach to policy and programs disrupts generational cycles of poverty and poor outcomes by taking the whole family into account - focusing on the needs of the entire family, rather than on children or parents separately. Any policy, program, or service for parents or children, including those for early care and education, health, child welfare, and juvenile justice, can use a 2Gen approach.



## **Impact of 2Gen Approaches**

Improving access to childcare could address an estimated

\$1.75 billion

economic loss to the state by reducing missed work and increasing economic opportunities for parents of young children.<sup>2</sup> Α

\$3,000

increase in a parents' income when their child is young is associated with a 17% increase in their child's future earnings.<sup>3</sup>

Children with college savings between

\$1 and \$499

are **3 times** more likely to go to college and **4 times** more likely to graduate.<sup>4</sup>

<sup>\*</sup>Household income below 100% of the federal poverty level. See HHS Poverty Guidelines for more info.



### **2Gen Models in Georgia**\*

#### **Department of Early Care and Learning (DECAL)**

DECAL's Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS) program:<sup>5</sup>



Provides access to high-quality and affordable early learning for families with low incomes



Helps young learners achieve school readiness for greater academic gains in the long-term



Assists families in achieving stability and self-sufficiency by providing financial support for childcare

DECAL also supports select technical colleges with Two-Generation Innovation Grants, which connect children from low-income families with quality early learning and helps their parents receive the training and education they need for well-paying jobs.

#### **Quality Care for Children**

Quality Care for Children's Boost Child Care Initiative aims to increase the success of low-income parents and their children. Boost Child Care Initiative includes:



Increasing state investment in child care subsidies to improve Georgia's workforce



Eliminate the Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS) eligibility gap



Extending subsidy eligibility to parents attending college

Note: The Quality Care for Children's Boost Child Care Initiative is not affiliated with the Georgia Statewide Afterschool Network BOOST Grant.

#### **Network of Trust School Health Program**

The Network of Trust school health program in Albany works with pregnant teens and young mothers to:



Promote healthy moms and babies



Increase mother's self-esteem



Increase rates of school attendance and graduation

The Network of Trust also works to decrease the rate of child abuse.

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<sup>\*</sup>This is not a comprehensive list of 2Gen models in Georgia. Other examples include <u>Home Visiting</u>, <u>Child Care Access Means Parents in School (CCAMPIS)</u>, and <u>Nana grants</u>.

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