

Compliance with 5-2-1-0 Obesity  
Recommendations among Preschool-aged  
Children Attending Child Care  
&  
The Association between Caregiver Eating  
Behaviors and the Styles with which they  
Feed their Infants

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# Outline

- Attainment of '5-2-1-0' Recommendations in Child Care Setting
- Examining the role of Caregiver Eating Behaviors on Infant Feeding Styles

# PART 1:

## Compliance with 5210 Obesity Recommendations among Preschool-aged Children Attending Child Care



# 5-2-1-0

- American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) recommends pediatricians counsel families on preventative measures
- Adopted from “Let’s Go! 5210” and promoted locally and nationally,<sup>1-4</sup> the 5210 message includes:
  - 5 – Consuming  $\geq 5$  fruits/vegetables daily
  - 2 – Viewing  $\leq 2$ hrs of screen time
  - 1 – Getting  $\geq 1$  hour of physical activity
  - 0 – Consuming 0 sugar-sweetened beverages

1. Tanski 2010; 2. Nemours 2017; 3. Obama 2009; 4. Schweitzer Fellowship;

# 5210 Recommendations

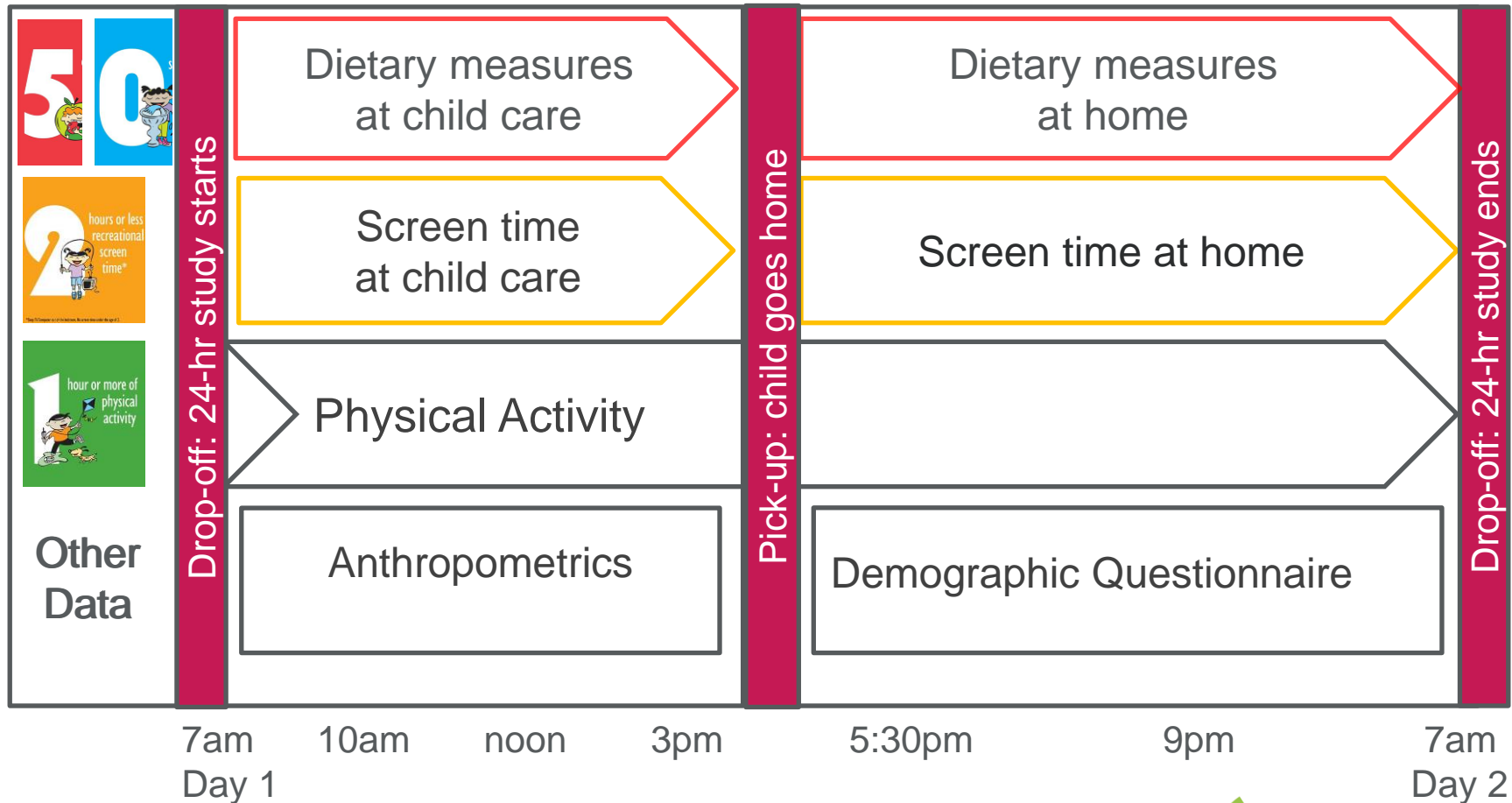
- Few studies have examined adherence with 5210 recommendations in children<sup>1-9</sup>
  - Most studies in school-aged children/adolescents<sup>1-6</sup>
- Most studies based on parent self-reported data<sup>1-3,5,8</sup>
- No known studies examining attainment and predictors of 5210 in children who attend childcare
- Few studies examine association between 5210 adherence and obesity<sup>9-10</sup>

# Methods

- Secondary analysis of the Preschool Eating and Activity Study (PEAS)
  - 24-hour observational study of 447 preschool children (36-72 months) from 30 child-care centers in Cincinnati, Ohio
- Data collection started at drop-off on Day 1 and ended at drop-off on Day 2
  - Data over 24hr truncated

# PEAS Study

n=30 child-care centers, n=447 children



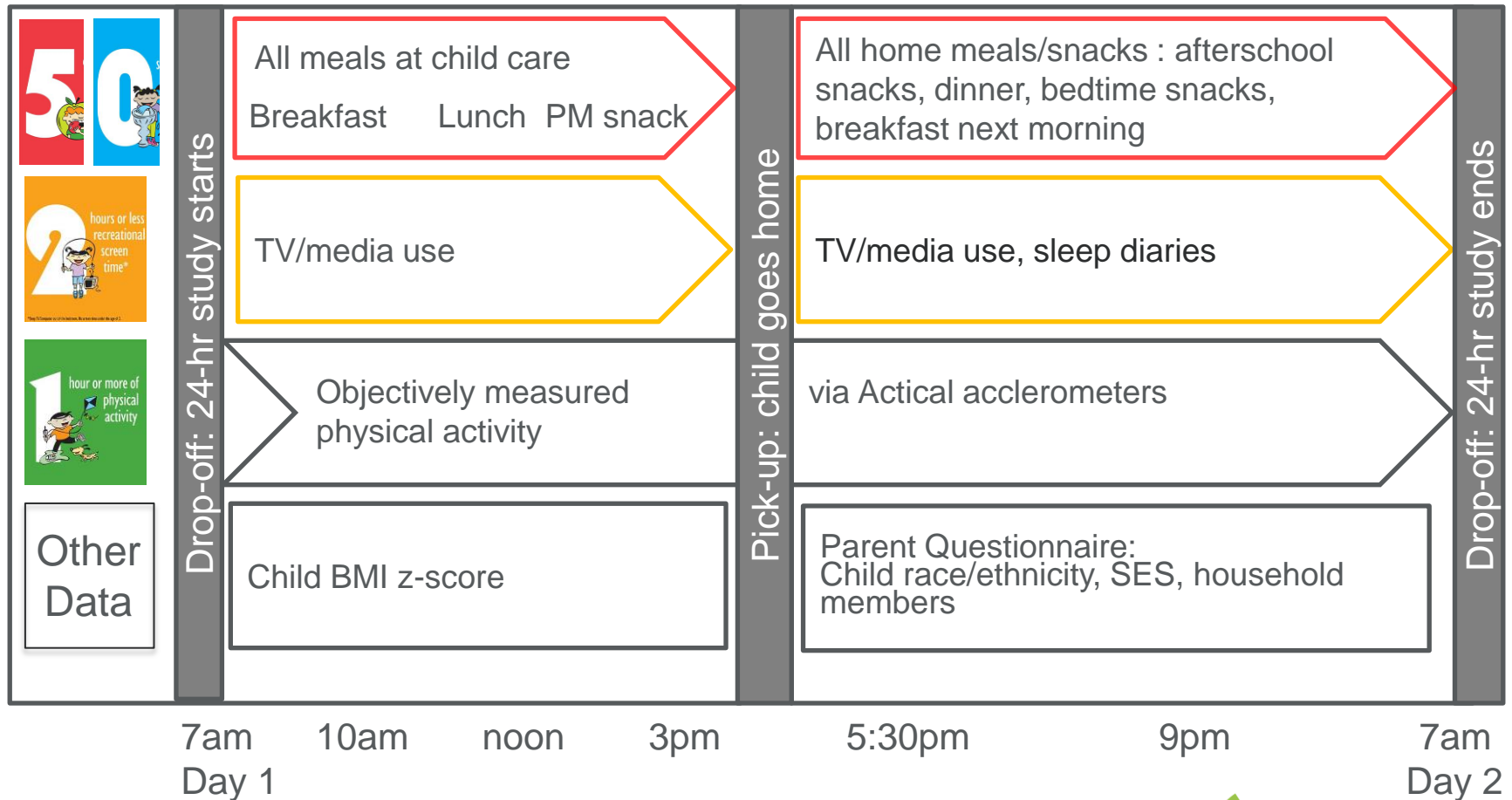
# Methods

- At Child Care, trained study staff recorded:
  - Food and beverage intake at meals/snacks
  - Individual and classroom screen time
  - Anthropometric measurements
- At Home, parents recorded:
  - Food/beverage intake via estimated food record
  - Screen time (TV and computer)
- Physical Activity measured via Actical accelerometers
  - Worn at the hip by participants



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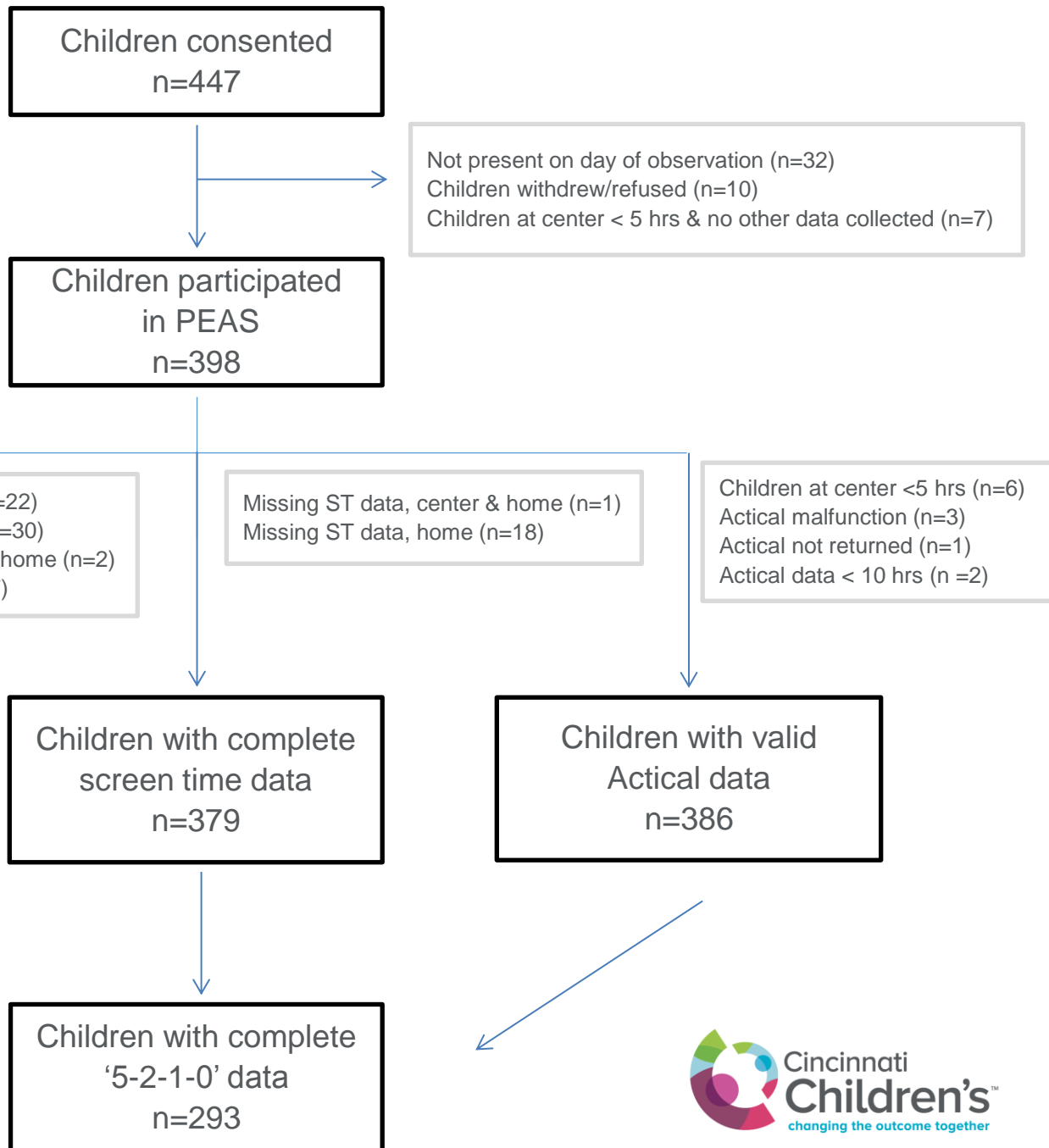


# Definition of Attainment

- 5 – Servings of Fruit & Vegetable Intake  
Consumption of 2.5 cups fruit/vegetable
  - Included 100% fruit juice (AAP 2010)
- 2 – Screen Time  
≤120 min of Screen Time in 24hrs
- 1 – Physical Activity  
60 min of moderate to vigorous activity (AAP) &  
180 min of light to vigorous activity (NAM)
- 0 – Sugar-sweetened Beverages  
Consumption of 0 servings of sugar-sweetened  
beverages

# PEAS Recruitment

77% of eligible children consented







Child Characteristics	Means (SD)	Frequency (%)
Male		195 (49)
Age, years	4.3 (0.7)	
Race		
White		164 (43)
Black		157 (41)
Other*		63 (16)
Hispanic Descent		14 (4)
Child BMI, percentile	64 (27)	
Underweight		7 (2)
Normal Weight		269 (72)
Overweight		52 (14)
Obese		48 (12)

\*Other = Asian, American Indian, Mixed Race, or "Other" category

Child Characteristics	Frequency (%)
CACFP eligible	219 (58)
Household composition	
2-parent household	196 (52)
1-parent household	184 (48)
Household income, dollars	
< \$25,000	142 (39)
> \$25,000 – 50,000	84 (23)
> \$50,000 – 100,000	58 (16)
> \$100,000	82 (22)
Parent education	
≤ High school	72 (18)
Associate's/Technical Degree	158 (42)
College Graduate/Graduate School	152 (40)

# Summary of Findings

	'5-2-1-0' Definition	# of children who met guideline (%)	Demographic Predictors
	Eat $\geq 5$ servings of fruits and vegetables	53 (17%)	Children had $0.16 \pm 0.08$ servings higher intake of fruits and vegetables in households with an annual income between \$25-50,000
	View $\leq 2$ hours of screen time	308 (81%)	No demographic predictors of screen time attainment
	Partake in 1 hour of physical activity	3 (<1%)	No demographic predictors of moderate-to-vigorous physical activity
	Consume 0 sugar-sweetened beverages	152 (50%)	Children had a 0.31 odds (95% CI 0.10; 0.93) of consuming sugar-sweetened beverages in households with an annual income $> \$100K$

# Associations between '5-2-1-0' Attainment, BMI z-score, & Weight Status

'5-2-1-0' Component (n)	BMI Z-score			Overweight/Obese (BMI ≥85 <sup>th</sup> percentile)
	β	SE	p-value	OR (95% CI)
<b>Fruit/Vegetable/Juice<sup>a</sup> (282)</b>				
Servings	0.057	0.031	0.069	1.04 (0.93; 1.17)
≥ 5 servings	0.017	0.168	0.309	1.03 (0.56; 1.89)
<b>Fruit/Vegetable (282)</b>				
Servings	0.038	0.040	0.340	0.99 (0.85; 1.14)
≥ 5 servings	0.165	0.245	0.501	0.80 (0.30; 2.19)
<b>Screen Time (344)</b>				
Hours	0.112	0.057	0.049	1.22 (0.99; 1.50)
≤120 minutes	-0.119	0.141	0.400	0.84 (0.48; 1.48)
<b>Physical Activity (341)</b>				
MV, hours	-0.040	0.245	0.870	0.36 (0.11; 1.25)
LMV, hours	0.041	0.043	0.335	1.06 (0.88; 1.26)
<b>Sugar-sweetened beverages (282)</b>				
Servings	0.081	0.078	0.301	1.16 (0.79; 1.71)
0 servings	-0.217	0.132	0.101	0.67 (0.35; 1.29)
<b>5-2-1-0 Score (n=268)</b>	-0.085	0.082	0.304	0.71 (0.47; 1.08)

Models adjusted for sex, income, race, and household composition.  
Fruit and vegetable intake additionally adjusted for total energy.

# Summary of Findings

- Only 1 child met all four 5210 recommendations
  - Consistent with previous studies in children<sup>1-6</sup>
    - < 2% met all 4 guidelines and 1/3 met none<sup>1,5</sup>
- When defining physical activity as 180 min of any activity (including light), 23 (7.8%) met the guideline
- No consistent demographic predictors of 5210 attainment
- Only screen time related to BMI z-score
  - Every hour increase in screen time had a  $0.11 \pm 0.06$  increase in BMI z-score



# Limitations

- Data collected only captures 24h of data → can not establish usual dietary habits or physical activity levels
  - However, we had a relatively larger sample size, large representation of children who attend child-care, and objective measures
- A cross-sectional examination of correlation between attainment and BMI & weight status
  - Longitudinal studies are needed

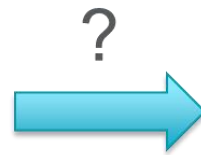
# Significance and Impact

- Many opportunities for improvement
  - Particular areas of improvement could include diet and physical activity
- 5210 behaviors have other health benefits
- Behavior change is difficult in preschooler but paramount given that habits set early
- **Food for thought: What setting is the most effective to intervene on these behaviors?**

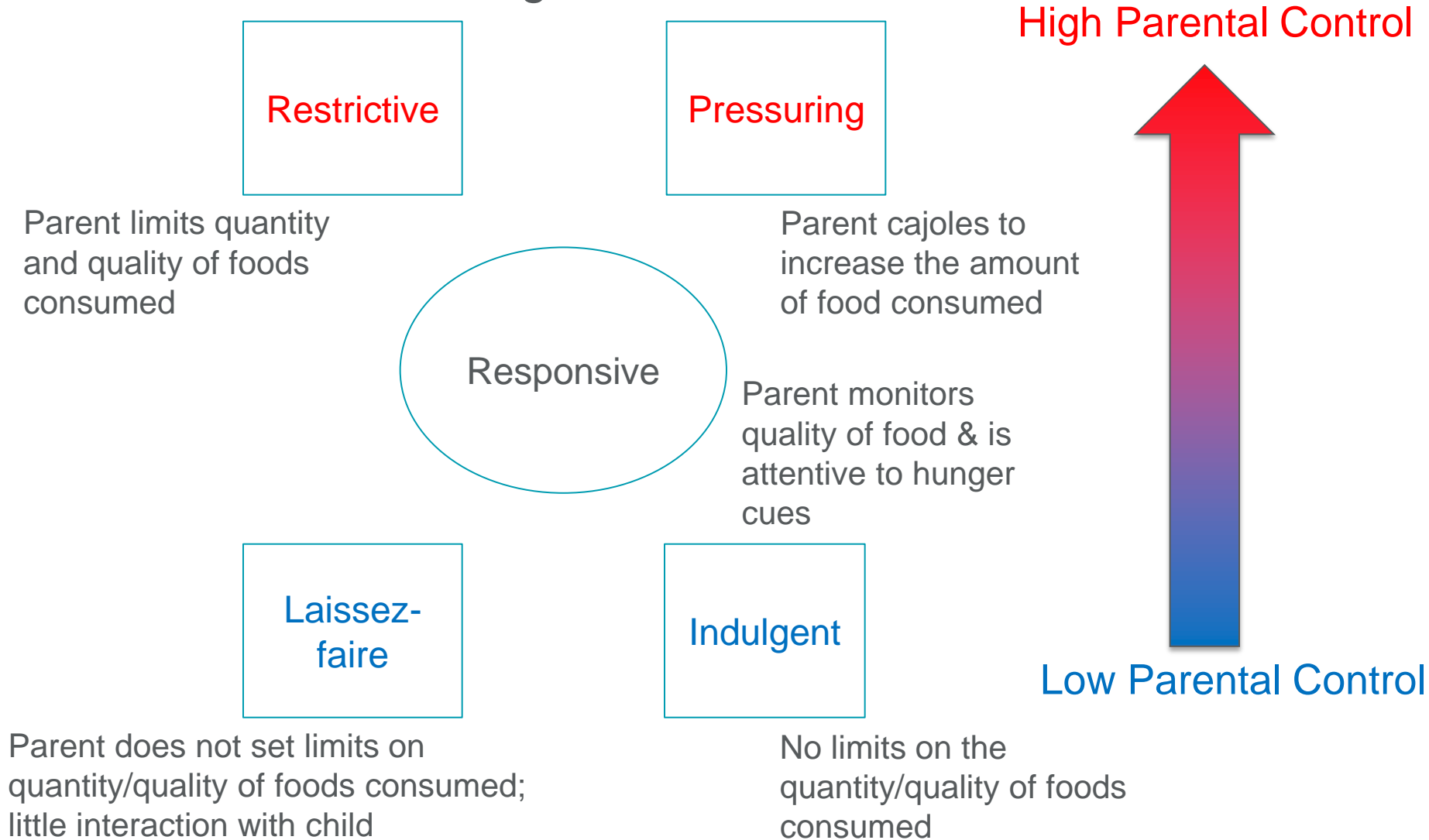


# PART 2:

## The Association between Caregiver Eating Behaviors and the Styles with which they Feed their Infants



Feeding style: specific goal-directed behaviors that influence a child's eating: <sup>1,2</sup>



# Feeding Styles

- **Controlling** feeding styles (**Restrictive and Pressuring**) in preschool and school aged children are associated with:
  - Increased eating in the absence of hunger<sup>1</sup>
  - Decreased self-regulation of food intake<sup>2</sup>
  - Weight gain and future obesity risk<sup>3,4</sup>

# A Predictor of Feeding Styles?

- Maternal Eating Behaviors
  - Maladaptive eating behaviors (like restrictive eating, bulimia, binge eating disorder) associated with restrictive feeding styles
  - **Intuitive Eating**<sup>1</sup> (mothers who eat when hungry and follow satiety cues) **are less likely** to exhibit controlling feeding practices in their preschool children<sup>2</sup>
  - Less is known about Laissez-faire and Indulgent Infant feeding styles

# Gap

- Current literature predominately focuses on feeding styles in preschool or school aged children and upper-income families<sup>1,2</sup>
- Few studies have examined role of maternal/caregiver intuitive eating on infant feeding styles
- Infant feeding styles and their correlation with obesity risk are unclear
  - Many cross-sectional studies<sup>2</sup>
  - Two longitudinal ones have contradictory findings<sup>3,4</sup>

# Specific Aims

- AIM 1: Determine the relationship between *caregiver intuitive eating behaviors* and *infant feeding styles* in infants aged 6-12 months.
- **Hypothesis:** There is an inverse relationship between caregiver *intuitive* eating behaviors and both *controlling* infant feeding styles (*restrictive and pressuring*)
  - (e.g. Parents who follow their hunger and satiety cues will be less likely to pressure or restrict their infant when feeding them)



# Specific Aims

- AIM 2: Identify associations between infant feeding styles and BMI z-scores over a 6 month interval.
- **Hypothesis:** Infants (6-12 months) exposed to predominately a *Pressuring* infant feeding style will be more likely to have a higher BMI z-scores after a 6 month interval compared to infants predominately exposed to another feeding style.

# Research design

- Conducted a cross-sectional study with longitudinal follow-up
- Target: primary caregivers and their infants
  - Primary caregiver(primary feeder) at home
  - Infants aged 5.5 – 12.5 months
  - Recruited at pediatric well child visits in two large urban academic primary care clinics
  - Recruited via convenience sampling
- Recruited 210 caregiver-infant dyads

# Measures

## Multi-part survey

- Caregiver Intuitive Eating Survey-2 (IES-2)<sup>1</sup>
  - Measures intuitive eating behaviors of adults
- Infant Feeding Style Questionnaire (IFSQ)<sup>2</sup>
  - Categorizes predominate infant feeding style:
    - Restrictive
    - Pressuring
    - Responsive
    - Laissez-faire
    - Indulgent
- Other feeding practices Survey
  - Questions on breastfeeding, age child introduced to solid food, if and when child introduced to “junk food”

## Intuitive Eating Scale-2 (IES-2) Subscales<sup>1</sup>

## Definition

### Total score

### Unconditional permission to eat

Allowing oneself to eat when hungry

### Eating for physical rather than emotional reasons

Eating to satisfy a physical hunger

### Reliance on hunger and satiety cues

Trusting hunger and satiety cues

### Body-Food choice congruence

Matching food choice to their bodies' needs

### Note:

- Scores for each based on 5-pt Likert scale with higher numbers reflecting higher intuitive eating, following hunger and satiety cues and eating nutritiously

# Prelim Results (n= 201)

<b>Parent characteristics</b>	<b>Mean <math>\pm</math> SD or n (%)</b>
Sex, female	182 (91)
Primary caregiver, mother	181 (91)
Age, years	27.2 $\pm$ 5.7
Race	
Non-Hispanic Black	142 (70.6)
Non-Hispanic White	28 (13.9)
Other	31 (15.4)
Education	
<HS	19 (9.5)
HS/GED	89 (44.7)
Some college	72 (36.2)
College/graduate degree	26 (13)
BMI (kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	28.6 $\pm$ 6.8
<b>Child characteristics</b>	
Sex, female	100 (49.8)
Age, months	8.8 $\pm$ 2.0
Gestational Age, weeks	38.8 $\pm$ 3.0
Birth Weight, kg	3.26 $\pm$ 0.48
Ever breastfed	120 (60.3)
Age introduced solid foods, months	5.2 $\pm$ 2.0
Introduced junk foods	102 (51.5)
Age introduced junk food, months	6.7 $\pm$ 2.1

Caregiver IES-2 Scores (Range 1- 5 )	Mean ± SD
<b>Total score</b>	3.7 ± 0.4
<b>Unconditional permission to eat</b> (allowing oneself to eat when hungry)	3.1 ± 0.7
<b>Eating for physical rather than emotional reasons</b> (eat to satisfy a physical hunger)	3.9 ± 0.7
<b>Reliance on hunger and satiety cues</b> (trusting hunger and satiety cues)	3.8 ± 0.7
<b>Body-Food choice congruence</b> (matching food choice to their bodies' needs)	3.7 ± 0.7

Note:

- Higher scores reflect higher intuitive eating, following hunger and satiety cues and eating nutritiously

Infant Feeding (IFSQ) Scores (Range 1 - 5)	Mean $\pm$ SD
<b>Restrictive</b> (Parent limits quantity and quality of foods consumed)	3.9 $\pm$ 0.6
<b>Pressuring</b> (Parent cajoles to increase the amt of food consumed)	2.5 $\pm$ 0.7
<b>Responsive</b> (Parent monitors quality & is attentive to hunger cues)	4.3 $\pm$ 0.4
<b>Laissez-faire</b> (Parent does not set limits on quantity/quality of foods consumed; little interaction with child)	1.9 $\pm$ 0.6
<b>Indulgent</b> No limits on the quantity/quality of foods consumed)	1.4 $\pm$ 0.5

Note:

- Higher scores reflect dominate feeding style
- Each caregiver has a score for each infant feeding style, the highest score is the predominate feeding style

# Correlations between Caregiver Intuitive Eating Behaviors and Infant Feeding Styles

	Infant Feeding Practices (IFSQ)				
Caregiver Intuitive Eating Behavior (IES-2)	Restrictive	Pressuring	Responsive	Laissez-faire	Indulgent
<b>Total score</b>	0.13	0.03	0.12	-0.14	-0.13
Unconditional permission to eat	<b>-0.19</b>	0.11	-0.04	<b>0.20</b>	<b>0.23</b>
Eating for physical rather than emotional reasons	0.15	-0.13	0.03	<b>-0.19</b>	<b>-0.19</b>
Reliance on hunger and satiety cues	0.08	0.02	<b>0.18</b>	-0.11	-0.13
Body-Food choice congruence	<b>0.27</b>	0.03	0.06	<b>-0.20</b>	<b>-0.21</b>

**Bold** entries are significant ( $p < 0.05$ ), Values are Spearman correlation coefficients



# Association between infant feeding style and three infant feeding practices

Total IFSQ scores	Ever Breastfed OR [95% CI] <sup>a</sup>	Introduced Junk Food OR [95% CI] <sup>a</sup>	Age Introduced Solid Food $\beta \pm SE$
Restrictive	<b>0.53 [0.30, 0.93]</b>	<b>0.54 [0.31, 0.94]</b>	-0.18 $\pm$ 0.28
Pressuring	0.61 [0.40, 1.05]	1.31 [0.81, 2.13]	-0.43 $\pm$ 0.25
Responsive	1.38 [0.64, 3.00]	1.19 [0.55, 2.56]	0.63 $\pm$ 0.40
Laissez-faire	0.86 [0.48, 1.55]	<b>1.97 [1.07, 3.63]</b>	-0.09 $\pm$ 0.30
Indulgent	0.65 [0.31, 1.35]	<b>3.19 [1.28, 7.98]</b>	-0.15 $\pm$ 0.37

**Bold** entries are significant ( $p < 0.05$ )

Odds per 1 unit increase in IFSQ score

# Preliminary Conclusions

- Overall, intuitive eating behaviors do not strongly correlate with any particular infant feeding style
- Caregivers who ate unconditionally were more likely to indulge their infants
- Caregivers who ate when hungry and who desired nutritious foods were more likely to restrict their infants' diets

# Limitations

- Both IES-2 and IFSQ are self-reported measures
- Population predominately low-income African American
  - IES-2 not validated in low-income populations
- Direct and interactive effects of other caregivers not included (i.e. fathers, grandparents, child-care)

# Next steps

- Determine the correlation between caregiver intuitive eating(IES-2), infant feeding styles(IFSQ) to anthropometric data
- Determine if both the IES-2 and IFSQ are accurately measuring what parents self-report
  - Direct observation of feeding styles at home
- Determine the relationship between infant feeding styles and nutritional quality
  - Including types and amounts of food offered

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