Our Mission: Headquartered in Greenville, South Carolina, ICS is a national, independent, nonpartisan, nonprofit research and policy organization dedicated to improving outcomes for young children and their families.

Our Vision: The Success of all Young Children

Our Core Strategy: ICS partners with communities at all levels to address systemic early childhood challenges by strengthening, connecting, and transforming existing assets with best practices, technical support and applied policy research.

2018-2020 STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK

Our Work: We frame and leverage the intersections and integrations of health, learning, and child welfare as they relate to successful outcomes for young children.

Examples of our work:
Increasing opportunities for quality early learning, health, and wellbeing.
Facilitating the expansion of evidence-based practices to ensure the success of children and their families.
Exploring and promoting innovative policy and funding mechanisms that improve outcomes for young children and families (impact funding, tax and fiscal policies, and Pay for Success).

Our Pillars: Our work is implemented through three interconnected strategic pillars.

Research: Identify and promote effective practices based on applied research methods.

Policy: Build consensus, support, and funding for early childhood services, interventions, and legislation aimed at improving outcomes for young children.

Leadership: Model, encourage, and cultivate catalytic, innovative leadership in early childhood.

Our work is supported by a strong foundation of consistent communication and fund development.