• Fathers must be involved in program/system change
• Increase in child support payments does not equal successful parenting
• Cross-program and sector collaboration in needed to align resources
• Teaching skill like praise and then applying in soccer game. Dad assigned a task using the skills each quarter of the game
• Dads want to participate in treatment with their kid(s)
• We need to look @ how every policy & program model differentially engages and impacts moms vs. dads
• Dads prefer skill-based, hands-on learning
• Father involvement inspired academic achievement:
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  o Greater emotional regulation
  o Greater focused attention
  o Less mother-reported behavior concerns
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