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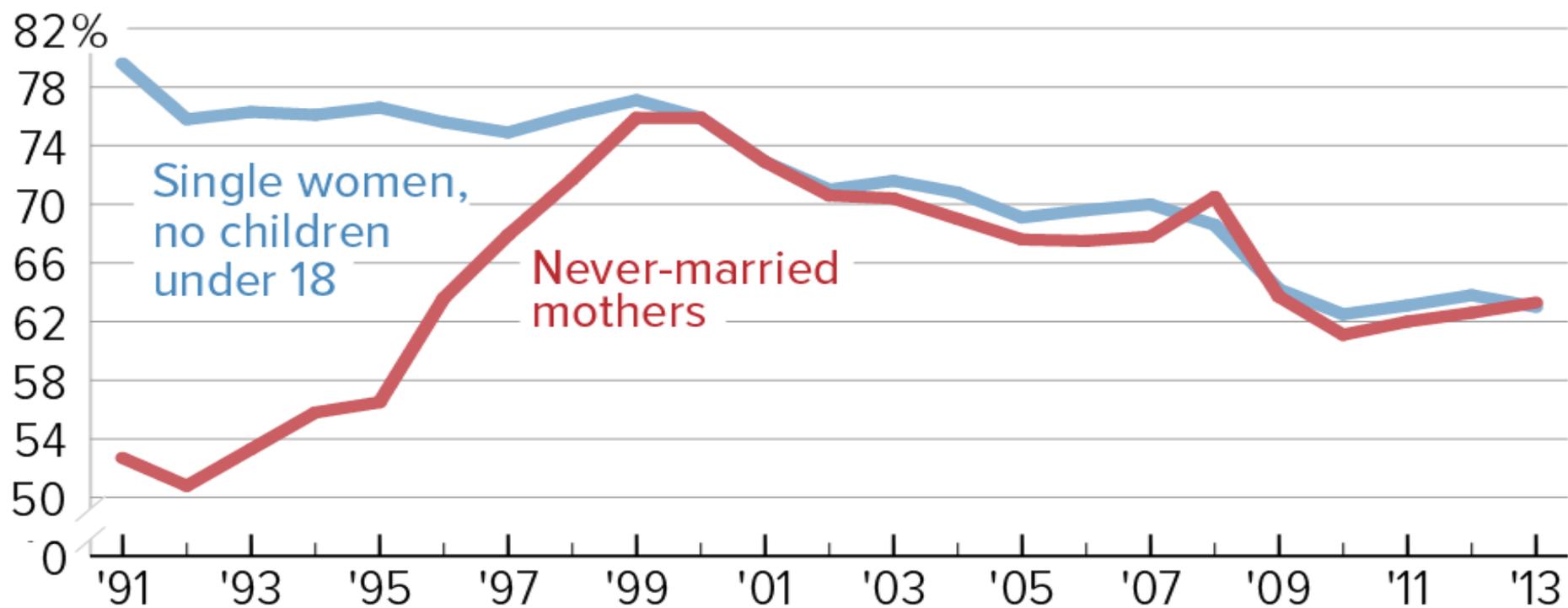
Getting Incentives Right: Connecting Low-Income Individuals with Jobs

Subcommittee on Human Resources, Ways and Means Committee, US House of Representatives

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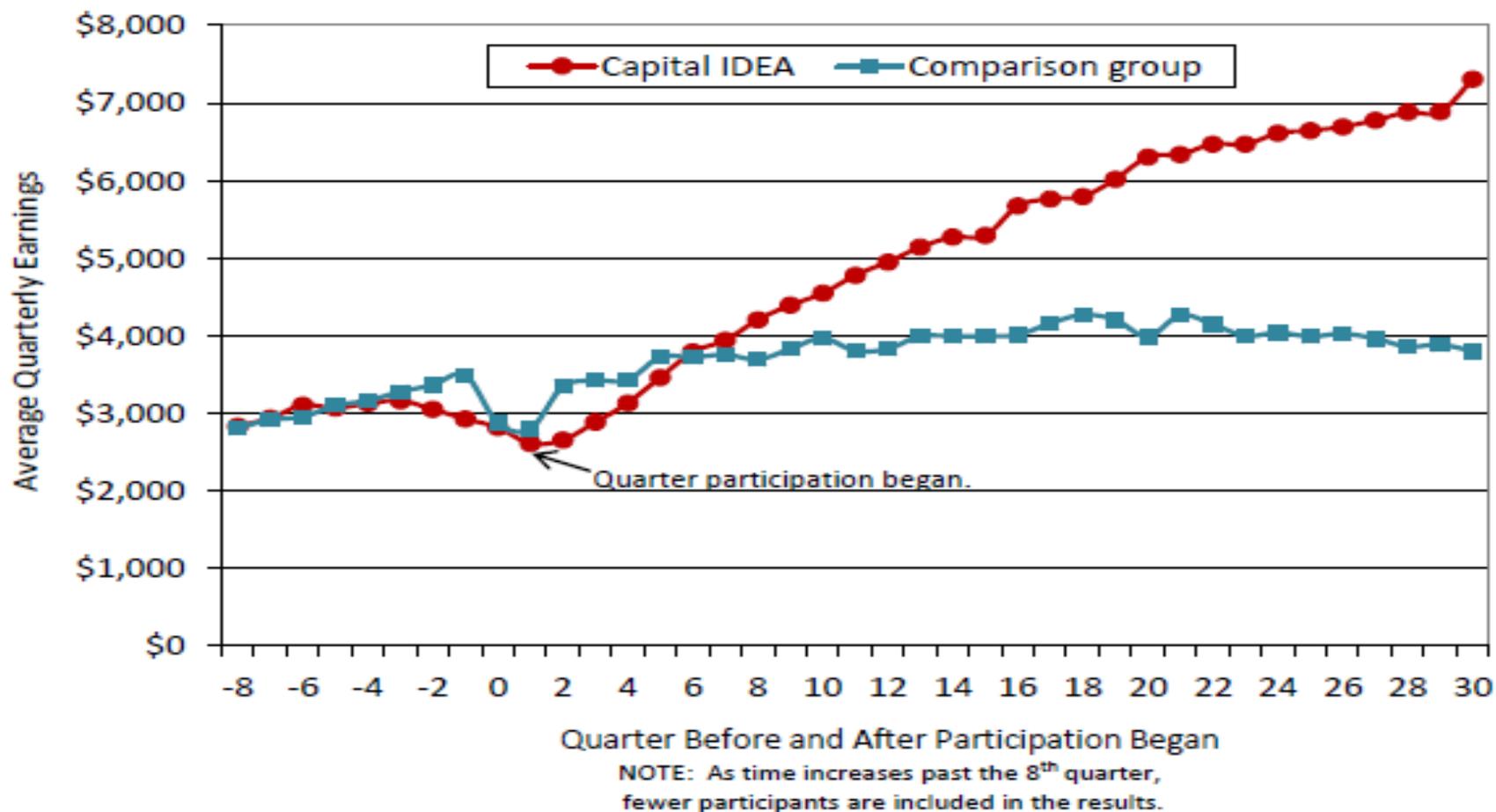
Never-Married Mothers' Work Rates Jumped in 1990s but Have Fallen Since

Percent of women between the ages of 20 and 49 with a high school education or less with any work during the year



Source: CBPP analysis of Current Population Survey.

Figure 14. Unconditional Earnings Over Time, Capital IDEA Participants vs. Comparison Group



Source: Smith, King & Schroeder, 2012. & King, 2011.

Ascend's 2-Gen Framework

**early childhood
education**

**social
capital**

networks, friends,
and neighbors

**postsecondary &
employment
pathways**

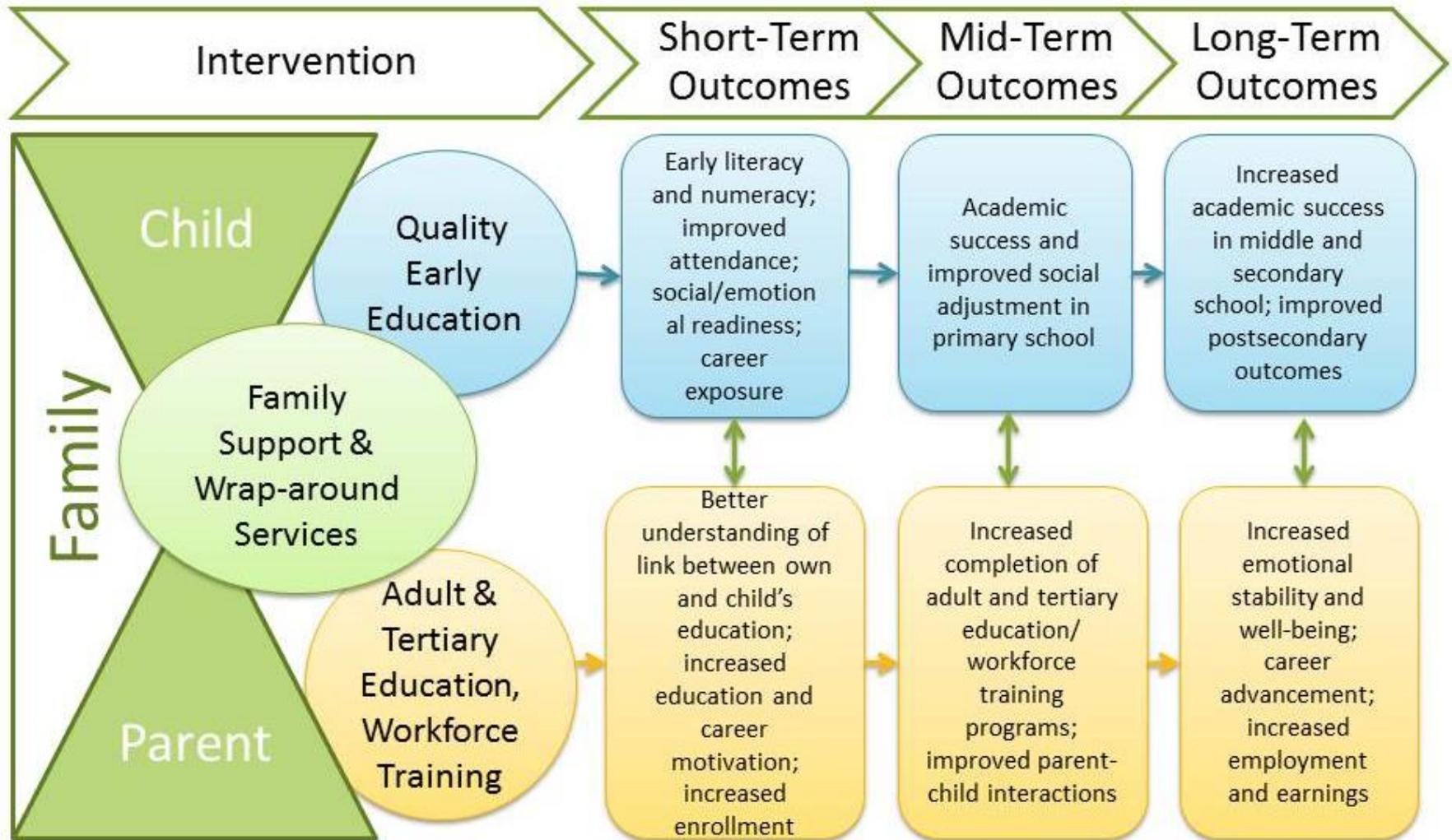
**health &
well-being**

mental health
addressing adverse
childhood experiences

**economic
assets**

asset building
housing

Conceptual Framework



Source: Chase-Lansdale et al. (2011), Smith & Coffey (2015).

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Local
Colleges

Sectoral
Training/CPs
Employers

Early Childhood
Program

Career Coaches

Peer Support

Incentives

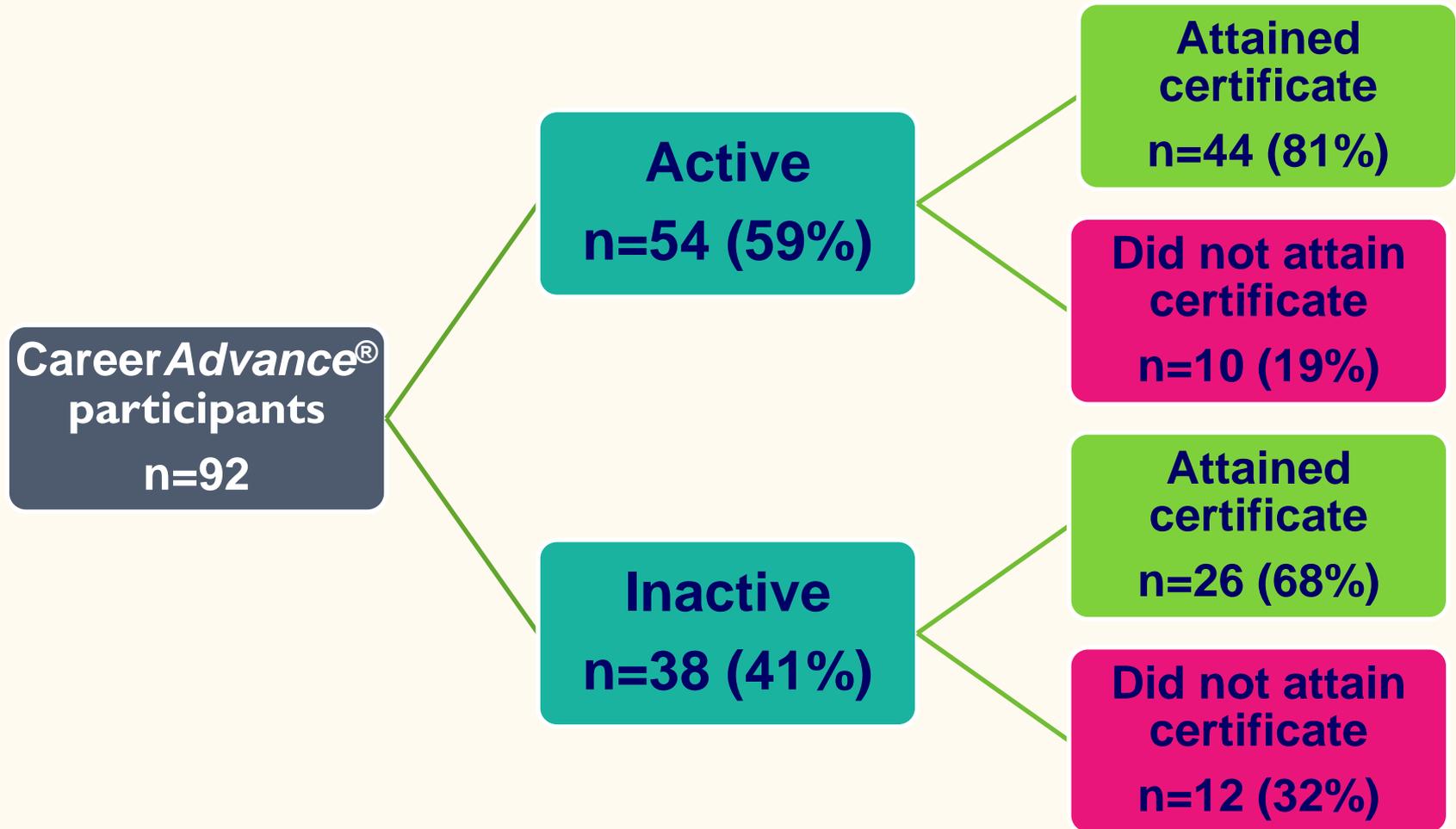
Support Services

Elementary
Schools

'Bridge':
Adult Basic
Education &
ESL



CareerAdvance[®] Enrollment & Certification at 16 Months, Cohorts 4-7



Source: Sabol et al., 2015.

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