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Second Generation Effects of an Experimental Conditional Cash Transfer Program on Early Childhood Human Capital in Nicaragua *

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Abstract

This paper estimates the intergenerational impacts of the randomized timing of a conditional cash transfer program on the children of former program beneficiaries. Using survey data specifically collected to investigate impacts on the second generation, we estimate experimental intent-to-treat (ITT) differential effects on anthropometric and cognitive outcomes in early childhood, as well as on key mechanisms underlying those outcomes. Despite the program resulting in higher education for mothers who received the treatment earlier, we find no improvements on anthropometrics and negative effects on cognition for their young children. We