

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
CHILDREN'S HEALTH PROTECTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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Draft Agenda

Desired Outcomes:

- *Learn about new and ongoing children's health protection activities at EPA and the Office of Children's Health Protection;*
- *Hear updates from the Science Work Group and Regulatory Work Group, and discuss plans through the July meeting;*
- *Learn about the status of EPA's supplemental guidance for assessing cancer risk from early-life exposure, EPA's response to CHPAC's comment letters on PDBEs, and EPA's response to the proposed Clean Air Mercury rule;*
- *Learn about the National Academy of Science's review of EPA's perchlorate risk assessment and discuss whether the NAS adequately considered children's unique risks in its review;*
- *Learn about and discuss OCHP's Strategic Plan; and*
- *Decide Next Steps.*

Tuesday, February 22, 2005

Work Group Meetings

Wednesday, February 23, 2005

Plenary Session

8:30 **Coffee**

9:00 Welcome, Introductions, Review Meeting Agenda
Objective: Review agenda.

Melanie Marty, Chair

9:15 Highlights of Recent OCHP Activities
Objective: Learn about recent developments concerning children's health at EPA.

Joanne Rodman, Designated Federal Official

9:45 Presentation: Cancer Guidelines Update
Objective: Learn about the status of EPA's supplemental guidance for assessing cancer risk from early-life exposure.

Presenter:
Dan Axelrad, Office of Policy Economics and Innovation

10:15 **Break**

- 10:30** Science and Regulatory Workgroup Reports
Objectives: Receive updates on workgroup activities through the remainder of the year and discuss overall plan and any synergies between topics.
- Natalie Freeman and Daniel Goldstein, Science Workgroup Co-Chairs
Richard Hackman and Susan West Marmagas, Regulatory Workgroup Co-Chairs
- 12:00** **Lunch (*on your own*)**
- 1:30** Panel Discussion: NAS Review of EPA's Perchlorate Risk Assessment
Objective: Learn about the National Academy of Science's review of EPA's perchlorate risk assessment and discuss whether the NAS adequately considered children's unique risks in its review and what additional actions EPA ought to consider based on this risk assessment.
- Panel:*
- Linda Cowan, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center [*invited*]
Ellen Mantus, Project Director, National Academy of Sciences
Robert Utiger, Clinical Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School
- How did the NAS ensure adequate protection for the developing fetus and young children considering their (reported) reliance on adult human data?
 - Were animal data available to address the potential for early life sensitivity?
 - What key windows of susceptibility for thyroid development did the NAS consider as relevant to early life (fetal and childhood) development?
 - Given that the human studies were conducted only for two weeks, is there concern about longer term exposure resulting in a larger or different affect?"
- 3:00** **Break**
- 3:30** Presentation and Discussion: OCHP Strategic Plan
Objective: Learn about OCHP's Strategic Plan and provide feedback to OCHP.
- Presenters: Bill Sanders and Joanne Rodman, OCHP*
Discussion: OCHP poses the following questions to the committee:
- *Is the plan strategic and does the plan capture the big picture for OCHP future actions (the forest rather than the trees)*
 - *Are there major gaps?*
 - *Are the priorities evident?*
 - *Does the plan adequately lay out a roadmap of where OCHP plans to go and how we intend to get there?*
 - *Are there better performance measures OCHP could use for the objectives?*
 - *What data would be most useful to gather to measure progress?*
- 5:15** Public Comment
- 5:30** **Adjourn for the Day**

Thursday, February 24, 2005

8:30 **Coffee**

8:45 **Discussion of Day One**

Objective: Reflect on previous day and review agenda. Discuss any carry over items from Wednesday.

9:00 **Panel Presentation: PBDE Update**

Objective: Learn about EPA's recent activities on PBDEs and its response to the CHPAC comment letter on PBDEs.

Presenters:

Dan Axelrad, Policy Analyst, National Center for Environmental Economics,
OPEI

William Farland, Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Science, ORD

Oscar Hernandez, Director, Risk Assessment Division, OPPT, OPPTS

Jim Willis, Director, Chemical Control Division, OPPT, OPPTS

Louise Wise, Principal Deputy Associate Administrator, OPEI

10:15 **Break**

10:45 **Presentation: Update on EPA's Response to CHPAC Mercury Comment Letters**

Objective: Learn about EPA's response to the CHPAC comment letters on mercury emissions from coal-fired power plants.

Presenter:

Jeffrey Holmstead, Assistant Administrator for Air & Radiation

11:45 **Wrap Up/Next Steps**

Summary of decisions and action items

Dates for next meeting(s)

12:00 **Adjourn Plenary**