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## Dear Colleagues:

We are pleased to provide you with a series of documents relating to the April 2005 Meeting of the National Children's Study Advisory Committee (NCSAC). As you know, our meeting will be held April 27–28, 2005 at the Crystal Gateway Marriott in Arlington, VA. Invited participants include members the NCSAC, the Interagency Coordinating Committee (ICC), and the National Children's Study Program Office (PO). I apologize that the meeting location and the lodging location are not in the same hotel.

The goals of this meeting are to: orient new committee members, provide an update on the progress of the National Children's Study, discuss a Concept Review of the North Carolina Herald Pilot Study, and provide recommendations on issues of critical importance to the Study.

Please also join me at a special session at the end of the first day of the meeting in order to provide an opportunity to honor the former NCSAC Chair and Executive Secretary and to meet members of the Committee, Program Office (PO), and the Interagency Coordinating Committee (ICC).

We are very pleased with the activities planned for this meeting. By the end of this two-day meeting, the NCSAC hopes to have your thoughtful input on important issues.

Please feel free to contact me or Ms. Jessica Sapienza, Committee Liaison Officer, at 301.451.2135 or via e-mail at <a href="mailto:sapienzj@mail.nih.gov">sapienzj@mail.nih.gov</a> if you have any questions about the upcoming meeting or the information included in this letter. Dr. Marion Balsam, Executive Secretary of the NCSAC, can be contacted at 301.435.7679. We look forward to seeing you April 27–28 in Arlington, VA.

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