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dhs niehs center for children's environmental health and disease prevention program

"if you are "partners" with epa then you are in bed with the devil. this agency approves every toxic chemical known to man and lets the us population serve as guinea pigs. this agency is in bed with toxic chemical manufacturers in my opinion. there should be absolutely no "partnership" with an agency that allows so many toxic chemicals to be used in america. this agency does not cross testing of how one toxic interacts with another.

i note that the report of these centers does nto tell us what the role of leptins is in autism? nor does it tell us one bit about "prenatal susceptibility" - so the public is left in the dark as to exactly what this agency accomplished for its millions.

- 1. it did not meet any goals, but just lallygagged alone. this should be a tight ship with a definite goal in mind. nothign really was accomplished.
- 2. it was flexible, so flexible it accomplished little.
- 3. the goals need to be striven for, not just an amorphous thing.
- 4. this agency should not refund because they work far too slow. at that rate, they will need 30 years for one thing. our sick kids don't have that long. they need help now.

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> DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
> National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences
> (NIEHS);
> Request for Public Comments on the Review of the
> Centers for Children's
> Environmental Health and Disease Prevention Program
> AGENCY: National Institutes of Health (NIH),
> Department of Health and
> Human Services.
> ACTION: Request for comments.
> SUMMARY: As part of an effort to evaluate the NIEHS
> research portfolio
> of investigator-initiated research on children's
> environmental health,
> the NIEHS convened an independent panel to review
> the
> Centers for
> Children's Environmental Health and Disease
> Prevention
> Program
> (``Children's Centers'') in cooperation with the
> U.S.
> Environmental
> Protection Agency (EPA). The panel was convened as a
> working group to
> the NIEHS National Advisory Environmental Health
> Sciences Council
> (NAEHS). At this time, the NIEHS seeks public
> comment
> on the working
> group report for consideration by the NAEHS Council,
> the NIEHS, and
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> EPA's Office of Research and Development (ORD) in
> evaluating the best
> approaches for future funding of children's
> environmental health
> research. The report is available at
http://www.niehs.nih.gov/conferences/od/cehr/report.htm
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> DATES: Please submit comments on or before May 15,
> 2007.
> ADDRESSES: Comments should be submitted to Dr.
> Kristina Thayer
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> (NIEHS, P.O. Box 12233, MD B2-08, Research Triangle
> Park, NC 27709;
> telephone: 919-541-5021 or e-mail:
> thayer@niehs.nih.gov).
> SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
> Background Information
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      Over the past 30 years, the NIEHS has invested
> millions of dollars
> in children's environmental health research. In
> order
> to maximize the
> effectiveness of current and future investments of
> human and financial
> resources, the Institute is conducting a review of
> the
> children's
> environmental health programs. For the past eight
> years, the Institute
> has partnered with the EPA to support thirteen
> research centers devoted
> to children's environmental health and disease
> prevention. The
> Children's Centers draws upon the resources of
> community partners and
> the expertise of top universities and medical
> centers
> to focus on the
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> important role that environmental toxicants play in
> the development of
> asthma, autism, and other childhood illnesses. The
> Children's Centers
> are a prominent component of the research portfolio
> in
> children's
> environmental health at both the NIEHS and EPA. As
> such, the NIEHS and
> EPA believe it is necessary to evaluate the
> program's
> effectiveness as
> a mechanism to stimulate research in children's
> environmental health.
> In addition, it is important to determine whether
> other approaches
> should be considered to advance children's
> environmental health
> research and education. Supporting research that
> shows
> the greatest
> promise for rapidly identifying links between
> environmental exposures
> and childhood disorders and disease is a primary
> focus.
> Request for Comment
      At this time, the NIEHS seeks public comment on
> the working group
> report. The comments will be distributed to ORD and
> the NAEHS Council
> prior to discussion of the working group report at a
> public meeting on
> May 30-31, 2007. Comments or additional information
> may be submitted at
> any time; however, to ensure adequate time for
> consideration prior to
> the May 30-31, 2007 meeting, comments should be
> submitted by May 15,
> 2007. The NIEHS and the EPA will not respond to
> submitted comments;
> however, all comments will be considered by the
> NAEHS
> Council, NIEHS
> and the EPA in evaluating the best approaches for
> future funding of
> children's environmental health research. Persons
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> submitting comments
> should include their name, affiliation (if
> relevant),
> and sponsoring
> organization (if any) with the submission. Written
> submissions will be
> made publicly available on the NIEHS Web site as
> they
> are received
(http://www.niehs.nih.gov/conferences/od/cehr/report.htm).
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      Dated: April 5, 2007.
> Samuel H. Wilson,
> Deputy Director, National Institute of Environmental
> Health Sciences
> and National Toxicology Program.
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