

National Children's Study Federal Advisory Committee Member Biographies

Alan R. Fleischman, MD, has recently been appointed Senior Vice President and Medical Director of the March of Dimes Foundation, having been a March of Dimes supporter and volunteer for over 20 years. He is also Chair of the Federal Advisory Committee to the National Children's Study at the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, NIH, and Clinical Professor of Pediatrics and Clinical Professor of Epidemiology and Population Health at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine in New York.

Born in New York City, Dr. Fleischman was graduated Phi Beta Kappa from the City College of New York and Alpha Omega Alpha from the Albert Einstein College of Medicine. He continued his education in Pediatrics at the Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland, and completed a Fellowship in Perinatal Physiology at the National Institutes of Health and through a Royal Society of Medicine Foundation Scholarship at Oxford University in England. He joined the faculty at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine and the Montefiore Medical Center in 1975, where he became Professor of Pediatrics and Professor of Epidemiology and Social Medicine and served as Director of the Division of Neonatology until 1994.

In 1994, he became Senior Vice President of the New York Academy of Medicine, where he catalyzed the Academy's growth into a research intensive institution in areas related to urban health, medical education, public policy, bioethics, and public health. In 2004, Dr. Fleischman became Ethics Advisor to the National Children's Study at the National Institutes of Health and accepted appointment as the Chair of the Federal Advisory Committee to the Study.

In the academic area, he has published extensively in many areas of perinatal medicine and has been a pioneer in the developing field of bioethics, emphasizing the rights of individual patients and the responsibilities of health care professionals and organizations. This work has resulted in over one hundred forty publications in peer reviewed journals and book chapters, including a book edited with Robert Cassidy, entitled "*Pediatric Ethics—From Principles to Practice*," published by Harwood Press.

He was a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics Bioethics and AIDS Committees, a member of the National Human Research Protections Advisory Committee for the Office for Human Research Protections of the Department of Health and Human Services, an expert advisor to the Institute of Medicine's Committee on Ethical Conduct of Clinical Research Involving Children, and a member of the National Research Council/Institute of Medicine Committee on Ethical Issues in Housing-Related Health Hazard Research Involving Children, Youth, and Families. He was a founding member and is currently still a member of the New York State Governor's Task Force on Life and the Law, and a member of the DHHS Secretary's Advisory Committee on Human Research Protections' Subcommittee on Research Involving Children.

Kate S. (Costella) Winseck, MSW, is the Outreach and Communications Coordinator for the National Children's Study. In this role, Mrs. (Costella) Winseck is responsible for managing external communications with federal and non-federal Study supporters, and for strategic community outreach planning, development, and implementation. She also serves as the Designated Federal Official/Executive Secretary for the Federal Advisory Committee of the Study.

Mrs. (Costella) Winseck came to the National Institutes of Health in 2003 as a Presidential Management Fellow with the National Cancer Institute. Prior to coming to NIH, Mrs. (Costella) Winseck held a number of social work positions in Philadelphia, New Jersey, and western Massachusetts, most notably at Smith College School of Social Work and EDTEC, Inc., a management consulting firm in Camden, N.J. The focus of her work was on community health, specifically maternal and child health within underserved communities.

Mrs. (Costella) Winseck holds a Masters in Social Work from the University of Pennsylvania School for Social Policy and Practice and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology from Gettysburg College.

Jessica N. Sapienza, MHS, is the Adjunct Studies Program Analyst for the National Children's Study. In this role, she provides technical assistance and consultation to the Research Partnerships Program Director in the planning, development, and management of applications and evaluations for adjunct study proposals. In addition to her duties in support of the National Children's Study Adjunct Studies Program, she serves as the Committee Liaison Officer, providing both logistical and substantive guidance to the federally chartered advisory committee of the Study.

Ms. Sapienza holds a Masters in Health Science in Environmental Health Science from the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Public Health Social Sciences from Johns Hopkins University.

John L. Butenhoff, PhD, CIH, DABT, is a Corporate Scientist in Toxicology within the Medical Department of 3M Company. He is currently responsible for the toxicological and health risk assessment programs associated with legacy perfluorinated alkyl acids that were produced by 3M prior to 2002. Dr. Butenhoff has been an employee of 3M since 1976 and has held technical and management positions in industrial hygiene, toxicology, and corporate product responsibility.

Dr. Butenhoff received his AB in Biology from Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, PA, and his MS in Occupational Health and PhD in Toxicology from the University of Minnesota. Dr. Butenhoff is currently an adjunct professor in the graduate program in toxicology at the University of Minnesota. Dr. Butenhoff holds professional board certifications by the American Board of Toxicology and the American Academy of Industrial Hygiene.

Robert E. Chapin, PhD, is Head, Investigative Developmental Toxicology Lab, for Pfizer Inc. He leads a group of investigative developmental toxicologists and works on mechanisms of female reproductive toxicity and fetal developmental toxicology. Dr. Chapin spent 18 years at the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences, working on mechanisms of male reproductive toxicity. His interests include measures of fertility, mechanisms of toxicity, and measures of toxicity.

Dr. Chapin received his Bachelor of Arts degree with departmental honors in Biology from Earlham College. He then attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and completed a doctoral degree in Pharmacology. Dr. Chapin has also completed a postdoctoral fellowship with the Chemistry Industry Institute of Toxicology.

Dr. Chapin has been involved in a number of external professional societies such as the Society of Toxicology, American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), and the American Society of Andrology. He has also previously played an active role in the National Children's Study as co-chair of a Working Group in the planning phase of the Study.

Frank A. Chervenak, MD, is Professor, Chairman, and the Director of Maternal-Fetal Medicine of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the New York-Presbyterian Hospital, Weill Medical College of Cornell University. Currently he serves as President of the International Society of the Fetus as a Patient. Dr. Chervenak has been a participant on the Board of Governors of the American Institute in Ultrasound and Medicine, the Society of Perinatal Obstetricians, the Ian Donald Inter-University School of Medicine and Ultrasound, the World Society of Labor and Delivery, and the World Association of Perinatal Medicine.

Dr. Chervenak received a Bachelor of Science degree from Pennsylvania State University. He was then awarded a medical degree from Jefferson Medical College.

Dr. Chervenak has held a number of academic appointments at Yale University School of Medicine, Mount Sinai School of Medicine, and Medical College of Cornell University. In addition, he holds membership with the following organizations: American Medical Association, Martin L. Stone Obstetrical and Gynecological Society of New York Medical College, Society of Perinatal Obstetricians, American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine, New York Perinatal Society, American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, Society for Gynecologic Investigation, New York Obstetrical Society, New York Academy of Medicine, International Fetal Medicine and Surgery Society, Association of Professors of Gynecology and Obstetrics, International Society of Ultrasound in Obstetrics and Gynecology, Society for Health and Human Values, International Society of the Fetus as the Patient, New York Academy of Sciences, and American Gynecologic and Obstetric Society.

Janet Currie, PhD, is a Professor of Economics at Columbia University and has also taught at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and the University of California, Los Angeles. Her work focuses on the evaluation of a broad array of public policies affecting disadvantaged children, including Medicaid, Head Start, and food and nutrition programs.

Professor Currie serves on the Executive Committee of the American Economics Association and on the editorial board of the *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, as well as being a past editor or associate editor of several other journals. She is a Research Associate of the National Bureau of Economic Research, a Research Fellow at the Institute for the Study of Labor, and an affiliate of the University of Michigan's National Poverty Center. She has served on National Academy of Science (NAS) and National Institutes of Health panels including the NAS Committee on Population.

Nancy Neverloff Dubler, LLB, is Director of the Division of Bioethics, Department of Epidemiology and Population Health, Montefiore Medical Center, and Professor of Bioethics at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine. She is also co-director of the Certificate Program in Bioethics and the Medical Humanities, conducted jointly by Montefiore Medical Center and the Albert Einstein College of Medicine with the Hartford Institute of Geriatric Nursing at New York University.

Nancy Dubler received her Bachelor of Arts from Barnard College. She also received a Bachelor of Law from Harvard University.

Ms. Dubler founded the Bioethics Consultation Service at Montefiore Medical Center as a support for analysis of difficult cases presenting ethical issues in the health care setting. She lectures extensively and is the author of numerous articles and books on termination of care, home care, long-term care, geriatrics, prison and jail health care, and AIDS. Ms. Dubler consults often with federal agencies, national working groups, and bioethics centers and served as co-chair of the Bioethics Working Group at the National Health Care Reform Task Force.

Helen DuPlessis, MD, MPH, is a pediatrician and senior advisor to the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) Center for Healthier Children Families and Communities (CHCFC), who divides her time between the UCLA CHCFC and Harbor/UCLA Medical Center. Dr. DuPlessis has extensive experience in policy development, program development and implementation, health care administration, and quality improvement processes. She is a sought after consultant for her extensive knowledge of health and health related programs and community pediatrics at the state and local level.

Prior to her current position, Dr. DuPlessis was the Chief Medical Officer of LA Care Health Plan, where she was responsible for the health care delivery to over 800,000 beneficiaries of government sponsored programs, where she established relationships with leaders in key community-based and other service organizations; designed and implemented effective quality improvement activities at the state and local levels involving thousands of providers and families; secured funding for innovative programs

for at risk children; and developed and implemented strategic policies impacting health care delivery.

Her prior work in the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) and the Los Angeles County Department of Health included spearheading the development of an innovative school-based health insurance outreach and enrollment program that led to the development of local policy accelerating the enrollment of low income students; creating the tools and processes for mapping the health needs and resources in the LAUSD; directing the Community Pediatrics program for a large segment of the county; developing and implementing several countywide and local community health programs addressing specific health needs including perinatal substance abuse, immunizations, lead screening; and contributing to state level policy development on perinatal substance abuse and the Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic, and Treatment program.

Dr. DuPlessis is active in the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), where she chairs the National Council on Community Pediatrics, and in the local AAP chapter, where she chairs a task force on pediatric obesity.

Antoinette P. Eaton, MD, is Faculty Emeritus at Ohio State University's Pediatric Department. Dr. Eaton was also the first female president of the Academy of Pediatrics and a distinguished Title V state director. She has served as a pediatrician, professional association leader, academician in clinical pediatrics, hospital administrator, academic administrator, and a state maternal and child health director. She has been the Director of the Division of Family and Community Health Services for the Ohio Department of Health, Director of Ambulatory Pediatrics at Columbus Children's Hospital, President of the American Academy of Pediatrics, Medical Director of the Easter Seal Rehabilitation Center, and Interim Dean of the School of Public Health at Ohio State University.

Dr. Eaton received a Bachelor of Science Degree from Geneva College of Pennsylvania. She was then awarded her medical degree at the Medical College of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Eaton is recognized for designing and implementing a leadership institute for Title V directors for children with special health care needs. Through this institute, Dr. Eaton influenced and directed the shape of many state programs for special needs children and their families.

Elena Gates, MD, is Professor and Vice Chair of the Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences at the University of California, San Francisco (UCSF). Dr. Gates is a general obstetrician-gynecologist who has maintained an active clinical practice while focusing her scholarly work on ethical issues in reproduction, genetics, and human experimentation and on the process of patient decision-making.

Dr. Gates served several years on the Ethics Committee of the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, chairing the committee for 3 years. She was a

member on the Board of Directors of the American Society of Law, Medicine, and Ethics from 1996–1997. In addition, Dr. Gates has participated in several workshops, review panels, and working groups related to the Ethical, Legal, and Social Implications program in the Human Genome Project. At UCSF, she is a member of the Fetal Surgery Oversight Committee and the Oocyte, Embryo, and Stem Cell Research Committee, and Research Subject Advocate in the General Clinical Research Center. Each of these activities involves ethical oversight of innovative areas of research at UCSF. Dr. Gates' publications have addressed the use of prenatal genetic testing, the introduction of new surgical technologies into women's health care, maternal-fetal surgery, donor consent for embryo and stem cell research, and ethical decision making in obstetrics and gynecology.

Myron Genel, MD, is Professor Emeritus of Pediatrics at the Yale University School of Medicine, joined the medical school faculty in September 1971, and was Associate Dean for Government and Community Affairs for 19 years prior to his retirement in January 2004. Previously, he was Chief of the Section of Pediatric Endocrinology and Program Director of the Children's Clinical Research Center. He remains active clinically and in a leadership capacity within a number of national professional organizations. A native of Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, Dr. Genel is a graduate of Moravian College and the University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine. He received postdoctoral training at Mount Sinai Hospital, NY, Johns Hopkins Hospital, and the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. Dr. Genel was a Robert Wood Johnson Health Policy Fellow at the Institute of Medicine in 1982–83. He is the author or co-author of more than 130 original articles and has made numerous presentations at national and international scientific meetings and professional conferences.

Dr. Genel has served as the interface between biomedical research, clinical endocrinology, and public policy in many capacities. He has been a member of the National Children's Study Federal Advisory Committee since 2005 and in 2006 was appointed to the Secretary's Advisory Committee on Human Research Protections (SACHRP). He is a founder of the Connecticut Stem Cell Coalition and a member of Connecticut's Stem Cell Research Advisory Committee, which oversees distribution of \$100 million in state funds to support embryonic stem cell research. Dr. Genel was part of an international, interdisciplinary team that succeeded in eliminating gender verification in international athletic competition, including the Olympic Games. More recently he served as a consultant to the IOC's Medical Commission on issues relating to participation of transsexual athletes. Dr. Genel was a charter member of the Institute of Medicine's Clinical Research Roundtable, which met from 2000–2004.

Dr. Genel has played a leading role in a number of other regional and national professional organizations. Dr. Genel was elected to membership in the Connecticut Academy of Science and Engineering in 1992 and has been a member of its executive council since 2000. In January 2006 he was elected Vice President/President Elect of the Academy. He is an elected Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the New York Academy of Medicine, and the American College of Preventive Medicine.

Ricardo Guzman, MSW, MPH, has more than 36 years of experience working with health and human service programs targeting the southwest Detroit Hispanic community. Since 1983, Mr. Guzman has served as Chief Executive Officer of the Community Health and Social Services Center (CHASS), a comprehensive Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) with three locations in Detroit that provide a full range of culturally competent primary health care and social services. During his tenure as CEO of CHASS, Mr. Guzman has increased funding from \$650,000 to over \$5 million dollars annually. Mr. Guzman has been successful in obtaining federal, state, and local governmental and foundation grant funding to plan and implement several major community-level interventions addressing chronic disease and intimate partner violence in Detroit. He serves as Program Director for REACH Detroit Partnership (a CDC-funded initiative addressing diabetes among African Americans and Hispanics) and for "LA VIDA" (a multi-component community intervention addressing domestic violence against Latina women). Through his involvement with the Detroit Community-Academic Urban Research Center based at the University of Michigan, Mr. Guzman serves as a leading advocate for community participation in the planning and implementation of health programs relevant to minority communities. Mr. Guzman's publications include co-authoring articles in *Obstetrics and Gynecology*, *Health Education and Behavior*, and *Ethnicity and Disease*, to name a few. Mr. Guzman is an active member in several local and national organizations including the National Association of Community Health Centers, the Detroit Wayne County Health Authority, and the National Alliance for Hispanic Health. He has received numerous awards including the National Hispanic Health Leadership Award in Washington, DC; the Zenobia Payne-Drake Humanitarian Award from the Detroit Black Family Development, Inc., agency; and most recently, the Excellence in Community Development Award from the Michigan Hispanic Business Association in 2005 and the Helping Hands Award from the Michigan Head Start Association in 2006.

James N. Jarvis, MD, is Professor of Pediatrics at Oklahoma University Health Sciences Center. He is also a practicing Consultant Rheumatologist at W.V. Hastings Indian Hospital in Tahlequah, OK.

Dr. Jarvis received a Bachelor of Arts degree from St. John's College. He was also awarded a medical degree from the University of Vermont. He completed a residency in pediatrics at St. Louis Children's Hospital and a Fellowship in Rheumatology at Washington University School of Medicine.

Dr. Jarvis has served on the Five Civilized Nations/Oklahoma University Native American Research Center for Health (NARCG) Advisory Board and a Preliminary Working Group on the ethical, legal, and social implications of genetic research on medical conditions affecting Indian and Native People. He has also served on the American Academy of Pediatrics' Committee on Native American Child Health.

Michael Lebowitz, PhD, received his PhD in Epidemiology and International Health and Environmental Health Sciences (with minors in Sociology and Biostatistics) and a PhC in Preventive Medicine (with a minor in Biomedical Sciences) from the University of

Washington (Seattle). He also has an MA in Biostatistics (with a minor in Demography) and a BA in Psychology from the University of California (Berkeley). He completed his clinical training in cardio-pulmonary medicine at the University of London Postgraduate Cardio-thoracic Institute. He started in public health in 1962 and worked in both county and state health departments in epidemiology and biostatistics.

His areas of expertise are environmental health sciences, occupational medicine, and chronic and infectious disease epidemiology. Dr. Lebowitz has served on the EPA Science Advisory Board and on National Academy of Sciences (NRC-NAS/IOM) committees, and he has been a consultant and peer-reviewer for EPA, NIH, NIOSH, and other agencies for over 35 years. He has also served as member/chair of committees for WHO, PAHO, and UNEP. He has been an expert consultant and witness for state and federal government agencies, various NGOs and CBOs. He has over 400 peer-reviewed publications.

He is a fellow of the American College of Chest Physicians, the American College of Epidemiology, and the Collegium Ramazzini. He is an elected member of the International Academy of Indoor Air Sciences, the American Epidemiological Society, the International Epidemiological Association, and Delta Omega (the honorary public health society) and an honorary member of the Hungarian Society of Hygiene. He is a founding member of the International Society of Exposure Analysis (ISEA) and the International Society of Environmental Epidemiology and a charter member of the Society of Epidemiological Research. He has been a member of other medical and scientific societies. He is a past President of ISEA and recipient of its highest award (the Wesolowski Award) and is past Chair of the CDC national Prevention Research Centers Steering Committee. He has received various honors and awards from the University of Arizona College of Public Health and Graduate College. He has been principal investigator (PI) of many grants.

Liliana J. Lengua, PhD, Associate Professor, University of Washington Department of Psychology, is a child clinical psychologist whose training and experiences have focused on a community perspective and prevention interventions for children at risk for developing social, behavioral, and emotional problems. Her research has examined children who experience major stressors, such as parental divorce or contextual risk, with emphases in developmental psychopathology and quantitative methods.

Dr. Lengua's research is based on a bioecological framework for understanding children's development of adjustment problems and adaptive functioning. Such a model accounts for individual, interpersonal, and contextual factors in development. She is particularly interested in individual differences in children's responses to risk and has examined the roles of children's reactivity and self-regulation as mediators and moderators of the effects of risk on children's adjustment, with the goal of identifying children who are vulnerable to developing problems, as well as children who are resilient in the face of risk. Her goal is to enhance understanding of the etiology of adjustment problems and resilience to inform preventive interventions.

In her research, she has examined the roles of children's reactivity and self-regulation as mediators and moderators of the effects of risk on children's adjustment. She has hypothesized that individual differences in reactivity and self-regulation can help to explain the variation we observe in children's ability to adapt to challenging situations. In particular, she has found that low income and contextual risk are associated with greater negative reactivity and lower self-regulation. Further, self-regulation moderates the relation of socioeconomic and contextual risk to adjustment problems, mitigating the impact of risk on children. Reactivity and self-regulation also predict children's ability to coping with stress and interact with parenting to mitigate or exacerbate the effects of negative parenting. These findings highlight the importance of understanding children's individual differences in reactivity and self-regulation and the factors that contribute to their development.

Bruce Levin, PhD, is Professor and Chair of the Department of Biostatistics at Columbia University's Mailman School of Public Health. Dr. Levin is the senior statistical consultant on several multicenter randomized clinical trials in the field of neurology and cardiology. He is also the Principal Investigator of the Statistics, Epidemiology, and Data Management Core of the HIV Center for Clinical and Behavioral Studies.

Dr. Levin was awarded his Bachelor of Arts in Mathematics from Columbia University. He then received a Master of Arts in Mathematics and a Doctor of Philosophy degree in Applied Mathematics/Statistics from Harvard University.

Dr. Levin's interests include statistical methodology for clinical trials, public health, and the law. He has created innovative trial designs, such as designs that minimize ethical costs, which have helped advance the field of biostatistics.

Jeffrey Long, PhD, is Professor of Human Genetics at the University of Michigan Medical School.

Dr. Long attained his Bachelor of Arts degree in Physical Anthropology at the University of California at Santa Barbara. He then went on to receive a Master of Arts degree in Anthropology from Arizona State University and a Master of Sciences degree in Human Genetics at the University of Michigan. He completed a doctoral degree in Human Genetics from the University of Michigan as well.

Dr. Long's research focus is on the analysis of human polymorphisms, including human population genetics, the inheritance of complex diseases, and statistical genetics. An additional interest is how levels of polymorphism and patterns of linkage disequilibrium are influenced by the interplay among diverse factors such as historical migrations, population size, gene flow, selective environment, mutation, and recombination. Another principal focus is on the genetics of complex traits related to health and well-being. The last major area revolves around the development of statistical methods and strategies for population genetics.

Barbara Anne Nabrit-Stephens, MD, MBA, FAAP, is Medical Director for Care Management, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Florida. She was formerly Vice President of Medical Affairs at Keystone Medical Health Plan. Dr. Nabrit-Stephens has been affiliated with the Vanderbilt Children's Hospital and the Physician's Task Force for Residency Training in Children's Environmental Health.

Dr. Nabrit-Stephens received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Harvard University. She was awarded her medical degree at Tufts School of Medicine. She has also completed a Master of Business degree at University of Tennessee School of Business.

Dr. Nabrit-Stephens has served on a number of advisory committees, such the March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation Health Professional Advisory Committee, State Government Affairs Committee, Middle Tennessee Chapter; the Children's Plan Advisory Committee for the Davidson County Community Health Agency; and the State of Tennessee Advisory Committee of Children's Special Services.

Gary Q. Peck, MD, FAAP, is a general pediatric/adolescent medicine physician who is greatly involved in his community helping in the rebirth of New Orleans. For the first 20 years, he dedicated his efforts and service to the LSU Medical Center in New Orleans, Shreveport, and Baton Rouge. For the next 6 years, Dr. Peck widened his efforts to be inclusive of the state public health system of Louisiana. He was the Medical Director, Deputy Assistant Secretary, and Assistant State Health Officer for Louisiana's Office of Public Health.

Dr. Peck is currently a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics Board of Directors and is the AAP District VII Chairperson. He was a member of the former AAP Task Force on Bioterrorism, a member of the AAP Disaster Preparedness Team, and Chair of the Disaster Preparedness Advisory Council for the AAP. He was instrumental as Chair of the AAP Advisory Committee on Strategic Planning to raise children's clinical issues of mental health, oral health, and disaster preparedness to be included in the top six current burning issues for the AAP.

Dr. Peck is experienced in managed care; he was co-founder and Vice-President of Louisiana Pediatric Network, Inc., IPA. He has been a member of the Executive Board of Region VII Ambulatory Pediatric Association. He served as charter President of the LSU Pediatric Alumni Association established in 1994. He served as Chairman of the Pediatric/Adolescent Section for Southern Medical Association and as medical consultant to Louisiana's Medicaid Program for children, EPSDT/KIDMED Project of Louisiana. He served as a Governor's appointee to the Emergency Medical Services Certification Commission and the Emergency Medical Services for Children Advisory Council.

Dr. Peck received a BS from LSU in Baton Rouge, an MD from LSU School of Medicine in New Orleans, and completed a Pediatric Residency Program at Charity Hospital, LSU School of Medicine, New Orleans. He has spent his time directing Medicine-Pediatric Residency programs, opening and directing school-based health clinics, developing

ambulatory clinics in communities, establishing local and statewide public health programs, and influencing national policy for children's mental and health care issues.

Robert C. Pianta, PhD, is the Director of the Center for Advanced Study in Teaching and Learning (CASTL) at the University of Virginia. He is also a professor in both The Curry School of Education, where he holds the Novartis U.S. Foundation Chair in Education, and the department of Psychology. A former special education teacher, he is a developmental, school, and clinical child psychologist whose work focuses on how children's experiences at home and in school affect their development. He is particularly interested in how relationships with teachers and parents and experiences in classrooms can help improve outcomes for at-risk children and youth. Dr. Pianta is a principal investigator on several major grants, including MyTeachingPartner, the IES Interdisciplinary Doctoral Training Program in Risk and Prevention, and the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Study of Early Child Care and Youth Development; a senior investigator with the National Center for Early Development and Learning; and Editor of the *Journal of School Psychology*. He is the author of more than 200 journal articles, chapters, and books in the areas of early childhood development, transition to school, school readiness, and parent-child and teacher-child relationships, and he consults regularly with federal agencies, foundations, and universities.

Amelie G. Ramirez, DrPH, is Professor of Epidemiology and Biostatistics at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio (UTHSCSA). She is also Director of the new Institute for Health Promotion Research at UTHSCSA and the Cancer Therapy and Research Center (CTRC) in San Antonio. She holds the Dielmann Chair in Health Disparities Research and Community Outreach in the Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics at UTHSCSA and is Director of Outreach and Health Care Disparities at the CTRC.

Over the past 25 years, Dr. Ramirez has directed numerous state-, federal-, and privately funded research programs focusing on human and organizational communication to reduce chronic disease and cancer health disparities affecting Latinos and other populations. She has authored over 60 peer-reviewed articles and is the recipient of state and national awards in the area of health disparities research and the advancement of Latinos in medicine, public health, and behavioral sciences professions across the United States.

Dr. Ramirez is a recognized spokesperson for cancer disparities reduction and is a member of various national and regional advisory groups and coalitions. Her most recent appointments include membership on the National Cancer Advisory Board of the National Cancer Institute, the National Advisory Council of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, Chair of the National Hispanic/Latino Advisory Council of the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, Board of Directors for the Lance Armstrong Foundation, and the Media and Counter Marketing Panel of the American Legacy Foundation. In Texas, She is a member of the Physician Oncology Education Program of the Texas Medical Association, the Comprehensive Cancer Control Coalition of the Texas Department of State Health Services, and the Executive Committees for the

Baylor College of Medicine Cancer Center and the University of Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio Cancer Institute.

Dr. Ramirez received a BS from the University of Houston and MPH and Dr PH degrees from the University of Texas Health Science Center at the Houston School of Public Health.

R. Gary Rozier, DDS, MPH, is Professor of Health Policy and Administration in the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Public Health and a Research Fellow in the Cecil G. Sheps Center for Health Services Research. He directs the program in dental public health in the Department of Health Policy and Administration and the Dental Public Health Residency Program in the Oral Health Section, NC Department of Environment, Health, and Natural Resources.

Dr. Rozier is a past president of the American Association of Public Health Dentistry and the American Board of Dental Public Health, and has served as President of the Behavioral Sciences and Health Services Research Group of the International Association for Dental Research. He was Editor in Chief for the *Journal of Public Health Dentistry* from 1993–2000.

Dr. Rozier's research interests have included studies in the areas of oral epidemiology, preventive dentistry, fluoride exposures and outcomes, dental professionals' practice behaviors, primary dental care, and program evaluation. Current research is directed toward introducing preventing oral health services into medical practice, including the most effective continuing medical education strategies and their outcomes on dental treatment, costs, and caries levels in young children, work funded by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, HRSA, CDC, and NIDCR. Recent work is investigating ways to link Early Head Start programs and medical practices providing these services, as well as strengthen referrals for dental care between physicians and dentists. He has been a member of the Oral Biology and Medicine Study Section at the NIDCR and has served on many ad hoc review panels for that Institute as well as other agencies.

David J. Schonfeld, MD is the Thelma and Jack Rubinstein Professor of Pediatrics and Director of the Division of Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center, as well as Professor Adjunct of Pediatrics at Yale University School of Medicine. He is currently the Director of the National Center for School Crisis and Bereavement, President of the Society for Developmental and Behavioral Pediatrics, Chair of the Committee on Pediatric Research of the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), and Member of the Project Advisory Committee of the Julius B. Richmond Center of Excellence for Protecting Children from Secondhand Smoke and the Steering Committee of the Pediatric Research in Office Settings (PROS) Network, both of the AAP. He served as a member of the initial Subboard of Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics of the American Board of Pediatrics and the Task Force on Terrorism of the AAP. Dr. Schonfeld's research focuses on children's understanding of serious illness (e.g., AIDS and cancer) and death and school-based

interventions to promote adjustment and prevent the adoption of risk behaviors. Dr. Schonfeld received a Bachelor of Arts degree and medical degree from Boston University. He completed a residency in Pediatrics at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and a Fellowship in Behavioral/Developmental Pediatrics at the University of Maryland.

Peggy M. Shepard is Executive Director and co-founder of West Harlem Environmental Action, Inc. (WE ACT). WE ACT is a nationally recognized, non-profit organization working to improve environmental policy, public health, and quality of life in communities of color.

Ms. Shepard received her bachelor's degree from Howard University.

Ms. Shepard was the first female chair to serve on the National Environmental Justice Advisory Council (NEJAC) to the EPA. She has also co-chaired the Northeast Environmental Justice Network and served on the National Advisory Environmental Health Sciences Council of the NIH and the Environmental Justice Advisory Committee to the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation. Ms. Shepard is also a member of the Institute of Medicine's committee: Ethics of Housing-Related Health Hazard Research Involving Children, Youth, and Families.

Alan M. Zaslavsky, PhD, is Professor of Statistics in the Department of Health Care Policy at Harvard University Medical School.

Dr. Zaslavsky received his bachelor's degree at Harvard College, his Masters of Science degree at Northeastern University, and his doctoral degree at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He is a Fellow of the American Statistical Association.

Dr. Zaslavsky's statistical research interests include surveys, Census methodology, small area estimation, official statistics, missing data, hierarchical modeling, and Bayesian methodology. His research topics in health care policy center on measurement of the quality of care provided by health plans through consumer assessments and clinical and administrative data. He has served on three past panels and one current panel on Census methodology for the Committee on National Statistics of the National Academy of Sciences (NAS), on the NAS Panel on Estimates of Poverty for Small Geographical Areas, and on the NAS Panel on DHHS Collection of Race and Ethnicity Data. He also served on the Committee on the National Quality Report on Health Care Delivery of the Institute of Medicine.

Ex Officio Members

Duane F. Alexander, MD, was named Director, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD) on February 5, 1986, after serving as the Institute's Acting Director. Much of his career has been with the NICHD. After receiving his undergraduate degree from Pennsylvania State University, Dr. Alexander earned his medical degree from Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine. Following his

internship and residency at the Department of Pediatrics at Johns Hopkins Hospital, Dr. Alexander joined the NICHD in 1968, as a clinical associate in the Children's Diagnostic and Study Branch. Following his tenure with the Branch, Dr. Alexander returned to Johns Hopkins as a fellow in pediatrics (developmental disabilities) at the John F. Kennedy Institute for Habilitation of the Mentally and Physically Handicapped Child. His interests brought him back to the NICHD in 1971, when Dr. Alexander became Assistant to the Scientific Director and directed the NICHD National Amniocentesis Study.

Dr. Alexander is a diplomat of the American Board of Pediatrics and a member of the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), the American Pediatric Society, and the Society for Developmental Pediatrics. For more than a decade, he also served as the United States' observer on the Steering Committee on Bioethics for the Council of Europe. As an officer in the Public Health Service (PHS), Dr. Alexander has received numerous PHS awards, including a Commendation Medal in 1970, a Meritorious Service Medal, and a Special Recognition Award in 1985. He also received the Surgeon General's Exemplary Service Medal in 1990, and the Surgeon General's Medallion in 1993 and 2002. In addition, Dr. Alexander is the author of numerous articles and book chapters, most of which relate to his research in developmental disabilities.

Allen Dearry, PhD, is Interim Associate Director, National Toxicology Program (NTP), National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS), National Institutes of Health (NIH). In this capacity, he provides day-to-day leadership of all NTP operations. The NTP was established in 1978 to coordinate toxicological testing programs within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, develop and validate improved testing methods, develop approaches and generate data to strengthen scientific knowledge about potentially hazardous substances, and communicate with stakeholders. In its 25 years of existence, NTP has become a world leader in providing scientific information that improves our nation's ability to evaluate potential human health effects from chemical and physical exposures.

Previously, Dr. Dearry served as Associate Director, Research Coordination, Planning, and Translation, at NIEHS. He also initiated numerous NIEHS programs in translational environmental health research, including health disparities, environmental justice, children's environmental health, community-based participatory research, and K-12 environmental health science education. All of these programs are recognized nationally and internationally, both for their contribution to the knowledge base in biomedical science relating to environmental health as well as for their novel approach to community-university partnership and resultant impact on public health. Dr. Dearry has been honored to receive a number of NIEHS and NIH awards, as well as three DHHS Secretary's Awards for Distinguished Service for providing outstanding leadership on issues related to possible health effects of exposure to Pfiesteria toxins (1998), generating a public health and research response to the World Trade Center disaster (2002), and for dedicated support for the health and safety of victims of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita (2006).

Before coming to NIH, Dr. Dearry received a PhD in Anatomy from the University of Pennsylvania, was a postdoctoral fellow at the University of California, Berkeley, and then an Assistant Professor of Cell Biology and Ophthalmology at Duke University Medical Center. Dr. Dearry played a key role in cloning the gene for the human D1 dopaminergic receptor; he has two U.S. patents for this and subsequent investigations.

Kevin Y. Teichman, PhD, is the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Science in the Office of Research and Development (ORD). In this capacity, he is responsible for planning EPA's research program, striving to ensure the research program both responds to the needs of EPA's Program and Regional Offices and maintains its leadership role in the environmental research community. In addition, he is responsible for coordinating ORD's participation in EPA's policymaking in all media (air, water, waste, pesticides, and toxics) to ensure the Agency's policies are based on sound science.

Dr. Teichman has BS and MS degrees from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a PhD degree from the University of California at Berkeley, all in Mechanical Engineering. He lives in Derwood, Maryland with his wife Marsha and three children, and cites this as his most notable accomplishment.

Edwin Trevathan, MD, MPH, FAAP, started as the new Director of the National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities on July 23, 2007. Before accepting this position, he was Professor of Neurology and Pediatrics, and Director of the Division of Pediatric and Developmental Neurology at Washington University in St. Louis School of Medicine, and Neurologist-in-Chief at St. Louis Children's Hospital. Dr. Trevathan has conducted epidemiologic studies of childhood epilepsy and developmental disabilities, has directed multi-center clinical trials, and has published in clinical pediatric neurology, epilepsy, and neurodevelopmental disabilities. He serves on the Editorial Board of *Neurology*, and is a regular reviewer for several other journals including *Pediatrics* and *The Lancet*. His past work was funded by CDC, NIH, and private industry, and included population-based epidemiology of autism and cerebral palsy, and epilepsy clinical trials. Dr. Trevathan is board-certified in pediatrics, neurology (with special qualification in child neurology), and in clinical neurophysiology. He directed a division of over 20 pediatric neurologists along with an integrated 5-year pediatrics/child neurology training program. He lectures nationally and internationally.

He received his BS (biochemistry and math) from Lipscomb University in Nashville, Tennessee, and then obtained both his MD and MPH at Emory University. After completing a residency in pediatrics at Yale, he completed his neurology and child neurology residency at Massachusetts General Hospital, and a neurophysiology fellowship at Children's Hospital, Boston. Dr. Trevathan was an Epidemic Intelligence Service (EIS) Officer at CDC from 1987–89, and is board-certified in Pediatrics and in Neurology with Special Qualification in Child Neurology.