

**Children's Environmental Health Working Group
Collaborative on Health and the Environment- WA (CHE-WA)**

Meeting Notes

Thursday, June 14, 2012 9:30-11:30

Next meeting: Thursday, September 13, 2012 Time: 9:30-11:30 Note: **NO MEETING in JULY, AUGUST**
Location: U.S. - Environmental Protection Agency - Region 10, 1200 Sixth Avenue, Seattle, WA 98101

Next speaker: Lynn Colwell and Corey Colwell-Lipson, mother-daughter green lifestyle experts and green-brand marketing mavens, will present "Marketing to moms: tips for successful outreach to mothers to help them reduce environmental health exposures to their families."

Our **mission** is to work collaboratively with diverse groups to eliminate children's harmful environmental exposures in the Puget Sound region and beyond during their most critical developmental years: pre-conception to age 8.

Facilitator/Speaker: Julia Singer **Note taker:** Gail Gensler
Attendees: Find list at end of notes

Discussion

The Northwest Kids Environmental Listserv, maintained by Ecology, was mentioned several times. This is one of the best ways to share information regarding children's environmental health exposures. There are two ways to post to this site:

- Go to <http://listserv.wa.gov/cgi-bin/wa?A0=NW-KIDS-ENV-HEALTH> and post a new message.
- OR, paste NW-KIDS-ENV-HEALTH@LISTSERV.WA.GOV in the "to" section of your e-mail application, write a message with formatting and send it.

The first way does not allow formatting of the message, while the second way, does.

Join the *Northwest Kids Environmental Health Group listserv* maintained by Ecology. The link is on: <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/maillist.html>. People will be able to post messages to NW-KIDS-ENV-HEALTH@LISTSERV.WA.GOV. No commercial messages.

2013 Children's Environmental Health Forum planning team will have their first meeting after this one. The following people plan to attend:, Sonia Hoglander, Dennis Weaver, Gail Gensler, Margo Young, Holly Davies, Rachel Koller, Carolyn Gleason, Steve Gilbert, Aimee Boulanger, Julia Singer, and Tracy Bier.

Announcements and member updates

LHWMP (JS)

Handed out bookmarks to the new [Pesticide-Free Places](#) project.

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US Environmental Protection Agency - Region X - EPA (MY)

LHWMP (GG)

She is continuing to provide trainings to childcares on the [EcoHealthy Childcare](#) Program.
Contact her for more information.

WA State Department of Ecology (HD)

Washington Physicians for Social Responsibility -- WPSR (TB)

The Seattle times has a recent [editorial](#) on the costly complications from the Hanford cleanup.

NW Pediatric Environmental Health Specialty Unit --PEHSU (AO)

Nancy Beaudet is CHE-WA's new PEHSU representative. Welcome back, Nancy!

Speaker: Dr. Philip C. Swartzendruber, Ph.D., an Air Resources Specialist with Puget Sound Clean Air Agency, described the work of his agency and how it relates to children's environmental health issues. He reviewed the health impacts of air quality and discussed recent, current and future activity, including policy and challenges.

Attendees

1.	Judy Bardin*	Washington State Department of Health (WADOH)/Environmental Health
2.	Nancy Beaudet	UW Pediatric Environmental Health Specialty Unit
3.	Nancy Bernard	WADOH/School Environmental Health & Safety Program
4.	Tracy Bier*	Washington Physicians for Social Responsibility (WPSR)
5.	Aimee Boulanger*	CHE-WA
6.	Holly Davies	Washington Department of Ecology
7.	Katie Frevert*	UW Department of Environmental Health
8.	Michelle Gaither	Pacific Northwest Pollution Prevention Resource Center (PPRC)
9.	Gail Gensler (note taker)	Local Hazardous Waste Management Program in King County (LHWMP)

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10.	Steve Gilbert	Institute of Neurotoxicology and Neurological Disorders (INND)
11.	Carolyn Gleason	HHS/HRSA - Maternal and Child Health (MCHB)
12.	Katie Hess*	United Indians of All Tribes
13.	Rachel Koller	Environmental Health Consultant – Healthy Home Focus
14.	Christy Machida	UW Pediatric Environmental Health Specialty Unit
15.	Erin Mader*	EPA – Region X
16.	Kate Plautz	Occupational therapist and mom
17.	Ana Rivero	Washington Toxics Coalition (WTC) volunteer
18.	Barbara Ross	Environmental Protection Agency - Region X, Lead Program
19.	Julia Singer (facilitator)	LHWMP
20.	Gretchen Stewart	Environmental Protection Agency - Region X
21.	Phil Swartzendruber (speaker)	Puget Sound Clean Air Agency
22.	Dennis Weaver	Change Your Food - Change Your Life!
23.	Margo Young	Environmental Protection Agency - Region X