

## Workshop Agenda

### **Building a Dialogue Towards a National Strategy for Children's Health and Environment in Canada**

This two-day workshop will explore evidence and related policy measures addressing prenatal and early life environmental risks to children's neurological development.

#### **Day I — Wednesday, May 30, 2007**

- 8:30      **Introduction and Welcome** — Ken Ogilvie, Executive Director, Pollution Probe and Tonya Surman, NPC Facilitator and CPCHE Partnership Director
- 8:45      **Welcoming Address** — Dr. Scott Giffin, Medical Officer of Health, Public Health Services, Province of New Brunswick
- 9:00      **Providing the Context for Children's Health and Environment** — Barbara McElgunn, Health Policy Advisor, Learning Disabilities Association of Canada
- 9:15      **Roundtable Introductions**
- 9:45      **Protecting Children from Environmental Neurotoxicants: The Neglected Legacy of Rachel Carson** — Dr. Bruce P. Lanphear, Director, Cincinnati Children's Environmental Health Center and Professor, Pediatrics and Environmental Health, Children's Hospital Medical Center and the University of Cincinnati
- 10:15     **Question and Discussion Period**
- 10:30     **Health Break**
- 11:00     **Maternal Exposure to Solvents and Neurodevelopment: Assessment of Multiple Outcomes and Implications for Policy** — Dr. Christine Till, C.Psych., Assistant Professor, York University; Associate Member, Department of Psychology, The Hospital for Sick Children
- 11:20     **Question and Discussion Period**
- 11:30     **Developmental Neurotoxicity Testing: What Does it Mean? How Can it Help us to Better Protect Children?** — Dr. Wayne J. Bowers, Research Scientist, Health Canada and Adjunct Professor, Department of Psychology, Carleton University Environmental and Occupational Toxicology Division, Environmental Health Science Bureau

- 11:50      **Questions and Discussion Period**
- 12:00      **Lunch**
- 1:00        **The Results of a Children’s Health Survey** — Inka Milewski, Science Advisor,  
Conservation Council of New Brunswick
- 1:20        **Question and Discussion Period**
- 1:30        **Working to Reduce Environmental Impacts** — Justyna Laurie-Lean, Vice President,  
Environment and Health, Mining Association of Canada
- 1:50        **Question and Discussion Period**
- 2:00        **What Does This All Mean For Our Society?** — Dr. Ted Schettler, Science Director,  
Science and Environmental Health Network and Chair, Human Health and  
Environment Project, Greater Boston Physicians for Social Responsibility
- 2:30        **Question and Discussion Period**
- 3:00        **Health Break**
- 3:30        **Conversation Café**  
*What does the research tell us? What questions emerge? What does this mean for policy?*
- 4:30        **Closing Thoughts and Adjourn** — Tonya Surman, NPC Facilitator and CPCHE  
Partnership Director
- 4:45        **Cracker Barrel\***  
*Environmental Health Mapping Project* — Dr. Barbara MacKinnon, Director of  
Environmental Research New Brunswick Lung Association and Kenneth Maybee  
President and CEO, New Brunswick Lung Association  
*Lead Risk Reduction Strategy for Consumer Products* — Sarah Sheffield, Project Officer,  
Chemistry and Flammability Division, Health Canada  
*Children at Risk: Acute Pesticide Poisonings in Canada* — Lisa Gue, Environmental  
Health Policy Analyst, David Suzuki Foundation  
*Canadian Partnership for Children’s Health and Environment* — Kathleen Cooper,  
Senior Researcher, Canadian Environmental Law Association

*A reception will follow from 5:30 to 6:30 pm at the Delta Beauséjour Hotel, Moncton.*

*\* The Cracker Barrel consists of small group interactions with a series of presenters. The groups move around the room and spend time with every presenter.*

## **Day 2 — Thursday, May 31, 2007**

- 8:30        **Welcome and Recap from Day 1** — Ken Ogilvie, Executive Director, Pollution Probe and Tonya Surman, NPC Facilitator and CPCHE Partnership Director
- 8:45        **Report on the Collaborative Effort on Children’s Environmental Health (New Brunswick)** — Mary Ann Coleman, Executive Director, New Brunswick Environmental Network (NBEN)
- 9:00        **Not That Innocent: A Comparative Analysis of How Canada, Europe and the US are Addressing Industrial Chemicals** — Dr. Richard Denison, Senior Scientist, Environmental Defense US
- 9:20        **Question and Discussion Period**
- 9:30        **Panel — Moving to Action to Protect Children’s Neurodevelopment**  
*Chair: Ken Ogilvie, Executive Director, Pollution Probe*  
**Neurodevelopment and the Implementation of the Precautionary Principle: What Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA) is Doing to Protect Children** — Dr. Peter Chan, Director General, Health Evaluation Directorate, Pest Management Regulatory Agency  
**Updates on Status of Chemicals Management Plan and Risk Management of Lead and Mercury** — Stephen MacDonald, Manager, Chemical Strategies Division, Health Canada  
**How to Find the Sweet Spot: The Role of Continuous Improvement** — Geoff Granville, Shell Canada (*retired*)
- 10:30       **Question and Discussion Period**
- 11:00       **Health Break**
- 11:15       **Open Space**
- 1:00        **Lunch**
- 2:00        **Reflections — Key Thought Leaders Reflect and Discuss the Issues Raised**  
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2. Dr. Bruce P. Lanphear, Director, Cincinnati Children’s Environmental Health Center and Professor, Pediatrics and Environmental Health, Children’s Hospital Medical Center and the University of Cincinnati  
3. Barbara McElgunn, Health Policy Advisor, Learning Disabilities Association of Canada  
4. Geoff Granville, Shell Canada (*retired*)  
5. Stephen MacDonald, Senior Risk Manager, Health Canada  
6. Dr. Scott Giffin, Medical Officer of Health, Public Health Services, Province of New Brunswick
- 2:30        **Question and Discussion Period**
- 3:00        **Closing Thoughts and Adjourn** — Tonya Surman, NPC Facilitator and CPCHE Partnership Director