

You are Invited to an
NIEHS Town Meeting
For Open Dialogue with the Public on

***“Environmental Health Concerns
in Hawaii”***



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2004
8:30 AM – 2:00 PM

Ala Moana Hotel, Hibiscus Ballroom ~ Honolulu

Lunch Provided

NIEHS  **National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences**
~ Your Environment is Your Health ~

Educational Partner: John A. Burns School of Medicine, University of Hawaii at Manoa

NIEHS TOWN MEETING / PUBLIC FORUM*(Free and Open to All)***“Environmental Health Concerns in Hawaii”****Local Organizing Committee:****Dr. Bruce Anderson, Chair***John A. Burns School of Medicine,
University of Hawaii at Manoa***Sherry Broder, JP** ~ *Hawaii Heptachlor Research & Education Foundation***June Kunimoto** ~ *District Health Officer, Island of Hawaii (retired)***Dr. Ed Laws** ~ *University of Hawaii at Manoa***Dr. Linda Rosen** ~ *Hawaii State Department of Health***Dr. Elizabeth Tam** ~ *University of Hawaii at Manoa*

Goal: *The goal of the Town Meeting is to stimulate effective dialogue between the citizens of Hawaii and local, state & national environmental public health scientists, practitioners and policy makers. This is an open public forum for discussion of any issue of concern to the people of Hawaii. Your comments and questions are welcome – we want to hear from you!*

Format: *The Town Meeting will consist of a Welcome by Senator Inouye (invited), a Keynote Address and open dialogue with Dr. Kenneth Olden, NIEHS Director. This will be followed by short presentations and open dialogue on Hawaii issues and environmental justice concerns.*

Refreshments and a sandwich buffet will be offered late-morning and early afternoon.

8:30 – 9:00AM **Coffee, Juice, Meet & Register**

9:00 – 9:20 **PURPOSE, INTRODUCTION & WELCOME**

**Purpose of the NIEHS Town Meeting;
Introduction of Senator Inouye (invited)**
Dr. Kenneth Olden - Director, NIEHS



ALOHA!

Daniel K. Inouye (invited)
Senior Senator, State of Hawaii

9:20 – 10:10 **INTRODUCTION, KEYNOTE ADDRESS & OPEN DIALOGUE WITH DR. KEN OLDEN**

Introduction of Keynote Speaker
Dr. Allen Dearry – Associate Director for Research Coordination, Planning and Translation, NIEHS/NIH



“Bringing the Benefits of Environmental Health Research to the Public”

Kenneth Olden, PhD
Director, National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences/NIH

OPEN DIALOGUE WITH DR. KEN OLDEN

Moderator: Dr. Bruce Anderson

HAWAII ISSUES AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE CONCERNS - 10 Minute Presentations followed by Open Dialogue on Four Selected Topics

10:10 – 10:30 AM

#1: AUTISM AND RELATED NEUROBEHAVIORAL DISORDERS: What We Know, Don't Know and Need to Know

Moderator: Dr. Lee Grossman, *Autism Society of America*
Dr. George Lambert ~ *EOHSI & Rutgers University*
Dr. Rob Berman ~ *University of California, Davis*
Dr. Michelle Cheh ~ *Rutgers University, NJ*
Representative of Hawaii Health Professional Community

10:30 – 10:45 **Refreshment Break & Sandwich Buffet**
Pick up a drink and snacks and return to continue discussion

Option to continue discussion on Autism in separate Breakout Session

10:45 – 11:15 AM

#2: EFFECTS OF VOLCANIC AIR POLLUTION (VOG) ON RESPIRATORY HEALTH

Moderator: June Kunimoto
Dr. Bruce Anderson and Dr. Elizabeth Tam

11:15 – 11:45 AM

**#3: OCEANS AND HUMAN HEALTH
Public Health Consequences of Harmful Algal Blooms,
Water-Borne Human Pathogens**

Moderator: Dr. Ed Laws, *University of Hawaii*

11:45 – NOON **Refreshment Break & Sandwich Buffet**
Pick up a drink and snacks and return to continue discussion

12:00 Noon – 2:00 PM

#4: HAWAII HEPTACHLOR STUDY

How the Hawaii Heptachlor Foundation Came to Be
Moderator: Sherry P. Broder, JP – *Architect of the Hawaii Heptachlor Research and Education Foundation (HHREF)*
Presentation of the Hawaii heptachlor story and the unique solution that Hawaii found to redress the injury that the people of Hawaii suffered by contamination of the milk supply.

Hawaii Heptachlor Study: Overview and Results
Moderator: Dr. Dean Baker, *University of California, Irvine*
Dr. Will Butler and Dr. Gail Hirota

Representatives from the following Organizations will be invited to participate and provide materials:

Hawaii State Department of Health
March of Dimes Hawaii Chapter
Hawaii Medical Association
Hawaii Heptachlor Research and Education Foundation
Hawaii Birth Defects Program
Hawaii Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics
Hawaii Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA)
Hawaii State Department of Education
Hawaii Dyslexia Association
March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation
Physicians for Social Responsibility
The United Nations Foundation
Learning Disabilities Association (LDA)
Children's Health Environmental Coalition
Institute for Children's Environmental Health
Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy
Children's Environmental Health Network
World Health Organization
Autism Society of America