

STAART CENTERS PROGRAM: GOAL

- **To establish a network of at least 5 Centers of Autism Research Excellence in accordance with the stipulations of the Children's Health Act of 2000**
- **STAART = Studies to Advance Autism Research and Treatment**

Participating NIH Institutes

- NIMH- lead institute
- NICHD
- NINDS
- NIDCD
- NIEHS

STAART CENTERS PROGRAM:

DEVELOPMENTAL GRANTS

- RFA ISSUED – APRIL 2001
- APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED – JULY 2001
- PEER REVIEW – AUGUST 2001
- COUNCIL – SEPTEMBER 2001
- 6 FUNDED GRANTS

STAART CENTERS PROGRAM:

CENTERS – ROUND 1

- **RFA ISSUED – JUNE 2001**
- **APPLICATIONS RECEIVED – NOVEMBER 2001**
- **PEER REVIEW – MARCH 2002**
- **COUNCIL – MAY 2002**

STAART CENTERS PROGRAM:

CENTERS – ROUND 2 (Revised, Post-Developmental New)

- RFA ISSUED – MARCH 2002
- APPLICATIONS DUE – AUGUST 2002
- PEER REVIEW – FEB/MARCH 2003
- COUNCIL – MAY 2003

STAART CENTERS PROGRAM: COMMITMENTS

- NIH commitment is \$12M per year
- This funding pool will encompass individual centers, data coordination center, and collaborative studies for the network
- This commitment will not overlap or detract from the CPEA commitment
- Centers will be funded for 5 years, and it is expected that there will be a competitive renewal process
- Each center capped at \$1.2M direct costs (about \$1.8 – 2.1M total costs)