

Interagency Autism Coordinating Committee (IACC): An Overview

Town Hall Meeting

July 24, 2009

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Combating Autism Act of 2006

- Replaced Children's Health Act of 2000
- Expanded scope of authority to address autism spectrum disorder (ASD), not just autism
- Reconstituted the IACC
 - 11 federal members
 - 6 non-federal members

IACC Members

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Thomas Insel,, M.D.
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IACC Mission

- Facilitate the efficient and effective exchange of information on autism activities among the member agencies,
- Coordinate autism-related programs and initiatives.
- Assist in increasing public understanding of the member agencies' ASD activities

Charge of the IACC

- Develop, annually update, and submit to Congress a strategic plan for ASD research
- Develop and annually update a summary of advances of ASD research
- Monitor Federal activities with respect to ASD
- Make recommendations to the Secretary of Health and Human Services regarding:
 - Appropriate changes to ASD activities
 - Public participation in decisions relating to ASD

Recent IACC Activities

- Annual Strategic Plan for ASD Research
 - Released January, 2009
- Annual update of the Strategic Plan
 - 2008 Portfolio Analysis of Federal and Non-Federal ASD research funding presented to IACC – July, 2009
 - Request for Information for public comment on the Strategic Plan – July, 2009
 - Scientific Workshops – September 30 to October 1, 2009
- Annual Summary of Advances on ASD Research
 - 1st annual Summary released - July, 2008

Upcoming IACC Events

- July – August 2009 – www.iacc.hhs.gov
 - Request for Information for public comment
- September 30, 2009 – Rockville, MD
 - 2 day scientific workshop to inform the updating of the Strategic Plan
- October 23, 2009 – Bethesda, MD
 - Full IACC Meeting

IACC Communications

- For information about upcoming IACC events and meetings:
 - Subscribe to IACC email list by sending email to iaccpublicinquires@mail.nih.gov
 - Subscribe to IACC tweets
 - www.twitter.com/IACC_Autism
 - IACC Website – www.iacc.hhs.gov