



# CHE-WA CHILDREN'S ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH WORKING GROUP

## 2015 Planning Meeting

### What do we want to do in 2015?



# WHAT HAVE WE DONE SO FAR?

1. Monthly meetings
2. Educational Forums
3. Trainings
4. Joint projects

# PAST SPEAKER TOPICS...

1. UW Superfund Research Program
2. Electromagnetic radiation exposures
3. Wood smoke exposure
4. Risk communication during disasters
5. A summary of the 2013 Reproductive Environmental Health Training in CA
6. Asthma
7. EPA's data systems tools
8. The Hanford nuclear site and health exposures
9. Organic food
10. Nanoparticles
11. Public Health-Seattle & King County's community outreach projects
12. The WA Tracking Network
13. Healthy Homes
14. Health literacy
15. Children's health and tribes
16. WA's Children's Safe Products Act
17. And more.....

# NETWORKING

- ▶ **Connected two huge organizations with joint interests in children's environmental health**



**U.S. Department of Health and  
Human Services Health Resources  
and Services Administration**

# NETWORKING

- ▶ Revived the NW Kids Environmental Health listserv

<http://listserv.wa.gov/cgi-bin/wa?A0=NW-KIDS-ENV-HEALTH>



# FORUM 2009

- ▶ **Over 300 people, two days**
- ▶ **Topic: An overview of the science and policies of children's environmental health**



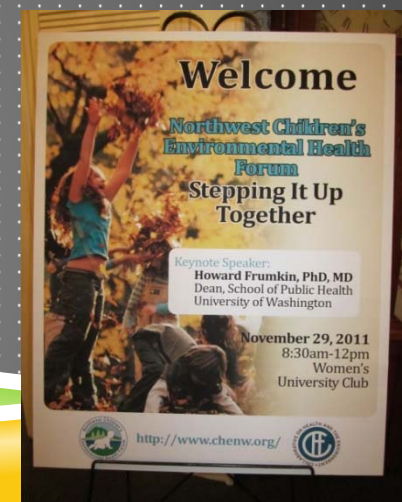
# FORUM 2009

- ▶ **Keynote speaker theme:** *Your health should not depend on your zip code.*
- ▶ **Within one month after the event, 86%** applied some of the information they learned at the conference.



# FORUM 2011

- ▶ 130 people, one day
- ▶ Topic: Making children's environmental health credible and urgent





# FORUM 2013

- ▶ 200 people, one day, new 'panel interview style'
- ▶ Topic: *Healthy Environments for Healthy Babies-- Preventing Harmful Environmental Exposures Before and During Pregnancy*



# FORUM 2013

- ▶ Introduced the relationship between chemical and social stressors.

- ▶ Strong, positive responses:

*We're looking at starting a new program with a focus on small children. Just being here today helped me think through our next steps.*

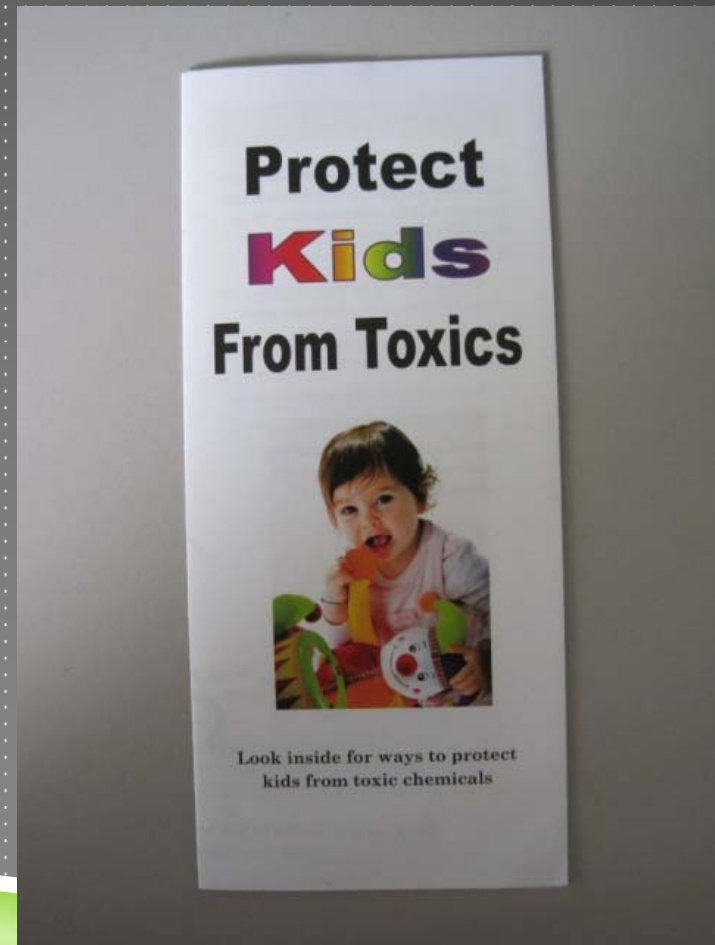


# TWO TRAININGS WITH WA STATE ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION



# JOINT PROJECTS

- ▶ Created brochures



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- ▶ Shared funding and resources –

*Cleaning for Health project*



# OTHER JOINT PROJECTS

- ▶ Placed articles in the AAP newsletter
- ▶ Shared CEH info statewide – *ChildProfile*
- ▶ Staffed events –  
Eco-Healthy Child Care®



# ACTION IDEAS FOR 2015...

- ▶ Train community health workers
- ▶ Write articles
- ▶ Host film festival
- ▶ Form more partnerships

# FORUM IDEAS FOR 2015

- ▶ Where are the doctors? – Engaging the medical community
- ▶ Children's environmental health in practice – who's doing what?
- ▶ Kids, toxins and politics



# FORUM IDEAS FOR 2015

- ▶ Environmental health and environmental justice
- ▶ Food and toxins
- ▶ Hear from the 'other' side

# FORUM IDEAS FOR 2015

- ▶ Epigenetics
- ▶ Endocrine disruptor chemicals
- ▶ Green chemistry

# WHAT WILL WE DO FOR THEM IN 2015?

