



Hunger and Health: Focus on Childhood Hunger National Nutrition Month Mini-Symposium

*Sponsored by the NIH Division of Nutrition Research Coordination (DNRC)
NIH Campus – Building 10, Lipsett Auditorium, Bethesda, MD
March 5, 2010 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.*

Purpose: To discuss the state of hunger research and the need for and opportunities for future research

1) Welcome

Dr. Wendy L. Johnson-Askew, NIH, Division of Nutrition Research Coordination

2) Measuring Hunger

- The Community Childhood Hunger Identification Project – Ms. Lynn Parker, Institute of Medicine, Study Director for the Standing Committee on Childhood Obesity Prevention
- The Current Population Survey – Dr. Mark Nord, Sociologist, USDA/ERS
- Question/Answer

3) The Canaries in the Mine – Identifiers of Hunger

- Ms. Kimberly Townsend – Montgomery County, MD School Nurse
- Dr. Rhonique Shields-Harris – Executive Director, Public Sector Partnerships, Child Health Advocacy Institute, Children’s National Medical Center, Washington D.C.

4) Anti-Hunger Initiatives

- DC Hunger Solutions – Ms. Alex Ashbrook, Director of DC Hunger Solutions, Food Research and Action Center (FRAC)
- Manna Foods – Ms. Amy Ginsburg, Executive Director, Manna Food Center

Break

5) Research Initiatives

- Witness to Hunger/I am Hunger – Dr. Mariana Chilton, Assistant Professor, Drexel University, School of Public Health, Philadelphia, PA/Witness
- Children’s Health Watch – Dr. Maureen Black, Director, Professor University of Maryland School of Medicine
- Food Security and Overweight – Dr. Patrick Casey, Professor of Pediatrics and Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences College of Medicine

6) Facilitated Discussion

This section of the meeting will be focused on methodological concerns, i.e., how well do hunger measures correlate with other SES indicators. The panel will be made up of the researchers among the group and facilitated by Dr. Mark Nord.

7) Closing Remarks

Dr. Pamela Starke-Reed, Deputy Director, NIH, Division of Nutrition Research Coordination

NOTES: Registration is free, but space is limited. Please register by sending contact information to Rachel Fisher (Rachel.Fisher@nih.hhs.gov). Donations of canned food for a special food drive will be accepted at the meeting.