

Ethics in Children's Environmental Health Research

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On March 5 and 6, 2004, the CEHN held a [“Workshop on Ethical Issues in Children’s Environmental Health Research.”](#) Five leaders in the field were asked to submit papers outlining the issues of:

- Research in pediatric environmental health (Bruce Lanphear),
- Ethical Issues Unique to Children in environmental health research (Maura Ryan),
- Community involvement (Peggy Shepard),
- Relationship with industry and other funders (Richard Sharp), and
- Privacy (Celia Fisher).

Workshops were held discussing these 5 areas. During 2005-2006, Six individual manuscripts combining the initial papers with input from the conference have been developed under the guidance of Cynthia Bearer, MD, PhD. These have been accepted for publication as a mini monograph in *Environmental Health Perspectives* in October 2006. They are now available on the EHP webpage.

- [An Exploration of Ethical Issues in Research in Children’s Health and the Environment](#) by Jerome Paulson
- [Trials and Tribulations Of Protecting Children From Environmental Hazards](#) by Bruce P. Lanphear, Jerome Paulson, and Sandra Beirne
- [The Politics of Risk: A Human Rights Paradigm for Research in Children’s Environmental Health](#) by Maura A. Ryan
- [Privacy and Ethics in Pediatric Environmental Health Research -Part I: Genetic and Prenatal Testing](#) by Celia B. Fisher
- [Privacy and Ethics in Pediatric Environmental Health Research -Part II: Protecting Families and Communities](#) by Celia B. Fisher
- [Supplementing the Traditional IRB with a Environmental Health & Community Review Board](#) by Steven G. Gilbert.

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For related publications, see:

- Ambulatory Pediatrics Statement on ["Ensuring Integrity for Research With Children"](#)
- National Research Council report ["Ethical Considerations for Research on Housing-Related Health Hazards Involving Children"](#), 2005,

- National Research Council report ["Intentional Human Dosing Studies for EPA Regulatory Purposes: Scientific and Ethical Issues"](#), 2004
- Christopher Oleskey, Alan Fleischman, Lynn Goldman, Kurt Hirschhorn, Philip J. Landrigan, Marc Lappé, Mary Faith Marshall, Herbert Needleman, Rosamond Rhodes, and Michael McCally. ["Pesticide Testing in Humans: Ethics and Public Policy"](#), Environmental Health Perspectives Volume 112, Number 8, June 2004.