



The Columbia Center for Children's Environmental Health and WE ACT for Environmental Justice cordially invite you to:

> Translating Research to Policy: Stakeholder Briefing Series Tuesday, October 2nd 2012, 9:00 to 11:30am Registration & Breakfast: 8:30 to 9:00am

> > Lerner Hall, Room 555 Columbia University 2920 Broadway New York, NY 10027

The Center and WE ACT invite community leaders, elected officials and policymakers to engage in a dialogue on 13 years of research committed to understanding how we can address outcomes related to environmental exposures of a cohort of 720 pregnant women and their children living in Harlem, Washington Heights and the South Bronx. Our conversation will focus on endocrine disrupting chemicals - a harmful environmental exposure that is ubiquitous in our community. Experts from the Center and WE ACT will discuss health effects, preventive measures and current advocacy strategies. Center Director Dr. Frederica Perera will speak about the effects of endocrine disrupting chemicals on child development and Center researcher Dr. Andrew Rundle will explore the existing evidence linking endocrine disrupting chemicals with obesity. WE ACT Executive Director Peggy Shepard will discuss advocacy efforts targeting endocrine disrupting chemical exposure in our communities.

Please join us in a dialogue about translating these findings into action and policies that can protect environmental health for all New Yorkers. We invite you to engage in this opportunity to discuss environmental health risks in our urban communities and how they can be addressed effectively.

If you are able to attend, please RSVP by September 25th. RSVPs should be directed to Alyssa Creighton by calling 212-304-7284 or emailed to akc2141@columbia.edu. We look forward to seeing you on October 2nd.

Sincerely,

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