

# National Association For Children and Safe Technology

## Newsletter | May 2015

Dear Members:

There are no updates on the *Turn It Off 4 Kids* Initiative this month, but we will continue to promote the initiative and hopefully get more responses over the summer. The months will go by quickly and then it will be a new school year. Lets hope we can get this matter resolved ASAP!

### Wi-Fi in Schools

#### **07 May 2015**

The Montgomery County Public School District in Maryland has agreed to perform independent radiation measurements in their schools, albeit with stipulations. Read more about this new development from Safe Tech for Schools Maryland: <<http://safetechforschoolsmaryland.blogspot.com/2015/05/were-not-irradiating-kids-says-chief.html>>

A news story from CBS2 about Anura Lawson, the middle school teacher and mother of 6 from Los Angeles who is the first known teacher to receive an accommodation for EHS in the United States. <<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vg7QxwUrEhI>>

Here is the trailer for the news story. <<http://losangeles.cbslocal.com/video/11452525-tuesday-on-cbs2-news-at-11pm-wifi-risk/>>

Also of interest, NACST's October 2014 *Los Angeles Unified School District Accommodates Teacher Who Fell Ill After Wireless Installation* Press Release. <<http://www.prlog.org/12381499-los-angeles-unified-school-district-accommodates-teacher-who-fell-ill-after-wireless-installation.html>>

#### **06 May 2015**

The L.A. Times coverage of the LAUSD iPad saga: *L.A. school district demands iPad refund from Apple* <<http://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-ln-ipad-curriculum-refund-20150415-story.html#page=1>>

Another related story from the L.A. Times about the use of bonds for iPads: *SEC launches informal inquiry into LAUSD's use of bonds for iPads* <<http://www.latimes.com/local/education/la-me-laUSD-ipads-inquiry-20150417-story.html>>

#### **January 2001**

California State PTA Resolution On Wireless, Cellular Phones, Antennas, 2001

It is interesting to note that back in 2001, wireless in schools was viewed as potentially harmful. <<http://www.electrosmogprevention.org/cell-phone-safety-campaign/california-state-pta-resolution-on-wireless/>>

California State PTA Resolution on wireless equipment/cellular phones and antennas, 2001 <[http://www.wirelessimpacts.org/impacts/fletcher\\_hills.html](http://www.wirelessimpacts.org/impacts/fletcher_hills.html)>

## **Legislation**

### ***12 May 2015***

Berkeley, CA Adopts Cell Phone "Right to Know" Ordinance on Unanimous Vote. Berkeley is the first city in the nation to pass a cell phone radiation ordinance in the United States! <<http://www.saferemr.com/2014/11/berkeley-cell-phone-right-to-know.html>>

### ***17 April 2015***

*Update:*

127th Maine Legislature | LD883 HP620 | An Act to Create Cellular Telephone Labeling Act

On a 7-4 vote, the Maine Legislature's Committee on Energy, Utilities and Technology rejected the "Cellular Telephone Labeling Act" (LD 883), a proposal to require cell phone manufacturers to place health warning labels on cell phones. The bill now goes to the full Legislature as a "divided report." Supporters can try to revive the bill on the Senate or House floor. Information from Electromagnetic Radiation Safety website. <[http://www.saferemr.com/2015/03/maines-cellular-telephone-labeling-act\\_20.html](http://www.saferemr.com/2015/03/maines-cellular-telephone-labeling-act_20.html)>

For information see the Portland Press Herald story: <<http://www.pressherald.com/2015/04/17/cellphone-health-warning-labels-rejected-by-panel/>>

### ***28 April 2015***

Ottawa, Canada — Scientists and Doctors tell Parliament that Autism and Cancer may be linked to cell phones and Wi-Fi. Medical specialists from Canada and the United States testified to the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Health today that Canada is falling behind other countries when it comes to protecting our children from wireless radiation. <<http://www.newswire.ca/en/story/1525631/scientists-and-doctors-tell-parliament-that-autism-and-cancer-may-be-linked-to-cell-phones-and-wifi>>

## **Legal**

### ***21 April 2015***

The Ask John Eakes website has a post about Lloyds of London backing out of covering damage from electromagnetic radiation. <<http://www.joneakes.com/jons-fixit-database/2235-lloyds-of-london-bails-out-of-the-cell-phone-health-debate>>

### Medical / Scientific Advocacy

#### **11 May 2015**

International Scientists Appeal to U.N. to Protect Humans and Wildlife from Electromagnetic Fields and Wireless Technology <<http://emfsafetynetwork.org/13256/>>

EMF Scientist is the website dedicated to this project. <<http://www.emfscientist.org>>

#### **07 May 2015**

Canadian Medical Association Journal reports Health Canada's wireless limits are "A Disaster to Public Health" <<http://www.newswire.ca/en/story/1532755/canadian-medical-association-journal-reports-health-canada-s-wireless-limits-are-a-disaster-to-public-health>>

Scientists Decry Canada's Outdated Wifi Safety Rules <[http://www.cmaj.ca/site/earlyreleases/7may15\\_scientists-decry-canadas-outdated-wi-fi-safety-rules.xhtml](http://www.cmaj.ca/site/earlyreleases/7may15_scientists-decry-canadas-outdated-wi-fi-safety-rules.xhtml)>

#### **07 December 2014**

The California Medical Association (CMA) adopted a resolution that calls for re-evaluation of the safety standards for wireless communications in the U.S. <<http://www.saferemr.com/2015/04/california-medical-association-calls.html>>

The Santa Clara Community Medical Association (SCCMA) article with Dr. Cindy Russell, Co-author of the resolution — Wi-Fi in Schools: Are We Playing It Safe With Our Kids? <[http://issuu.com/18621/docs/bulletin\\_0415\\_web/17?e=8664035/12346964](http://issuu.com/18621/docs/bulletin_0415_web/17?e=8664035/12346964)>

### Research

#### **August 2005**

The American Academy of Pediatrics research paper from 10 years ago —The Sensitivity of Children to Electromagnetic Fields, it has even more significance today. <<http://pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/116/2/e303.full>>

### Article

#### **09 May 2015**

Is Wi-Fi making your child ill? As France bans Wi-Fi in nursery and primary schools, a British expert who has given up using wireless gadgets says we should do the same — Interview with Dr. Mallory Blythe <[http://www.telegraph.co.uk/lifestyle/wellbeing/11589857/Is-Wi-Fi-making-your-child-ill.html?fb\\_ref=Default](http://www.telegraph.co.uk/lifestyle/wellbeing/11589857/Is-Wi-Fi-making-your-child-ill.html?fb_ref=Default)>

*Good luck with your individual efforts and thank you for being a part of NACST!*