

National Association for Children and Safe Technology

Newsletter | December 2015

Dear Members: As the year comes to a close, we reflect on the significant progress we have all helped to create and look forward to the new year - marked with even greater success. At the top of the list, we will continue to work for the removal of wireless radiation from our children's schools and provide news and information to further educate the public. Thank you for being a NACST member, we appreciate your hard work!

For some comic relief, here is an insightful commentary by comedienne Paula Poundstone that will make you laugh even if you feel like crying!

29 November 2015

CBS Sunday Morning

Electronics and Kids Brains Don't Mix (2 ½ minute video, includes transcript)

<http://www.cbsnews.com/news/paula-poundstone-electronics-and-kids-brains-dont-mix/>

Paula Poundstone

Petitions to Sign

31 October 2015

Safe Tech for Schools Maryland

Explore Solutions that Minimize Wireless Radiation in the Classrooms

https://www.change.org/p/montgomery-county-public-schools-explore-solutions-that-minimize-wireless-radiation-in-the-classrooms?recruiter=22345128&utm_source=share_petition&utm_medium=facebook&utm_campaign=autopublish&utm_term=des-lg-share_petition-no_msg

If you wish to sign this petition that seeks to "minimize wireless radiation", we suggest you leave comments calling for the **REMOVAL** of wireless radiation in the schools.

Wi-Fi In Schools

22 December 2015

UnitED for Florida Children

Technology in the Classroom

<http://unitedforflchildren.com/2015/12/22/technology-in-the-classroom/>

Laura Oosse McCrary

This post includes a discussion on the federal ConnectEd Initiative that is promoting robust wireless networks in schools across the country.

18 December 2015

California - The Fullerton Informer

Formal Demand Letter to the Troy PTSA on Wireless

<http://thefullertoninformer.com/formal-demand-to-the-troy-ptsa-on-wireless/>

Joseph Imbriano

18 December 2015

Canada Citizens Forum (11:26 minute video)

Janis Hoffmann from Parents for Safe Schools and WIFI Radiation in Schools

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DCJuJyHQKc&feature=youtu.be>

"Janis Hoffmann from Parents for Safe Schools discusses Wi-Fi radiation in schools with Walt McGinnis. Children with electromagnetic hypersensitivity (EHS) should have schools free from Wi-Fi to attend."

17 December 2015

EMFacts Consultancy

Finnish Education Professor's Warning: Wireless Technology In Schools May Lead to Global Epidemic of Brain Damages

<http://www.emfacts.com/2015/12/finnish-education-professors-warning-wireless-technology-in-schools-may-lead-to-a-global-epidemic-of-brain-damages/>

"The following is a current update from a Jan 14, 2014 interview with Professor Rainer Nyberg."

We at NACST are very sorry to pass along the tragic news of the suicide death of Jenny Fry, age 15, and the suicide deaths at Gunn High School, California. (Gunn H.S. entry is located in the Cell Phone Towers on School Grounds section of this newsletter.)

03 December 2015

United Kingdom – Express

Are You Allergic to WiFi? Modern Syndrome Could Be the Silent Killer

<http://www.express.co.uk/life-style/health/624018/wifi-allergy-modern-syndrome-silent-illness>

Becky Fletcher

"In an inquest into Jenny's death this week, her mother told Oxfordshire Coroners' Court her daughter suffered from tiredness, headaches and bladder problems caused by irritation to wireless broadband." (From School WiFi)

30 November 2015

United Kingdom – Mirror

Schoolgirl Found Hanging From Tree After Suffering From 'Rare Allergic Reaction to WiFi'

<http://www.mirror.co.uk/news/uk-news/schoolgirl-found-hanging-tree-after-6926586>

Alex Wellman

23 June 2013

Safe Schools Information Technology Alliance

Alasdair Philips (Clip 1) "Putting WiFi Inside School Buildings is Inexcusable" (00:52 second video)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1qFpf3-dEgY>

Cell Phone Towers on School Grounds

24 December 2015

California - San Jose Mercury News | Bay Area News

Parents Allege in Lawsuit That Lynbrook High School Gym Is Unsafe

http://www.mercurynews.com/my-town/ci_29305358/parents-allege-lawsuit-that-lynbrook-high-gym-is

Kristi Myllenbeck

17 December 2015

Clear Light Ventures

Support for the Gunn High School Community (04:30 minute video)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uG572uhgWQQ>

Peter Sullivan

"This video discusses the most likely environmental factor contributing to the suicide cluster at Gunn High School and actions you can take to immediately reduce your exposure."

01 December 2015

Los Angeles, California – ABC Eyewitness News (2 ½ minute news video, brief article)

Parents Upset Over Cell Tower Possibly Being Installed Near WeHo School

<http://abc7.com/news/parents-upset-over-possible-cell-tower-installation-near-weho-school/1105850/>

Mayde Gomez

Medical / Scientific Advocacy

21 December 2015

Activist Post

Red Blood Cells And Smart Meters | Live Blood Analysis – Observable Effects of RF/MW Radiation

<http://www.activistpost.com/2015/12/red-blood-cells-and-smart-meters.html>

19 December 2015

Environmental Health Trust

Renowned Neurosurgeon Dr. Charlie Teo Calls For the Right to Know About Cell Phone Radiation (27 minute video)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yEfKf1OHsY&feature=youtu.be>

"Dr. Charlie Teo calls for a national Right To Know Law about cellphone radiation at a lecture with Dr. Devra Davis at University of New South Wales Law School."

13 December 2015

Zoned'In

Message to Schools on EdTech (28:34 minute video)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dj8AbHSmvwo>

Cris Rowan, OT

The intended audience for this video is teachers / educators. Starting at minute 21:00, Cris talks about the perils of wireless devices in schools.

11 December 2015

Cyprus National Committee on Environment and Children's Health

(4:44 minute video, Greek language, no translation available yet)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g96vzcCYCnE>

From their website:

<http://www.cyprus-child-environment.org/easyconsole.cfm/id/1>

"Our mission is the protection of fetuses and children from environmental dangers, which can threaten their health, as well as the promotion of a healthy and safe environment with the minimal possible exposure in unhygienic environmental factors, so they can be ensured of their bodily, intellectual and mental growth and the conditions of a healthy future life."

Also, a 12 page informational booklet from their website:

http://www.cyprus-child-environment.org/images/media/assetfile/electromagnetic_booklet_FINAL%20FINAL.pdf

11 December 2015

Green Med Info

Male Infertility and Cellular Phones

<http://www.greenmedinfo.com/blog/male-infertility-and-cellular-phones-1>

Eleni Roumeliotou

03 December 2015

Austin, Texas – KVUE-ABC

Study: Kids At Risk for Radiation Exposure (2 minute video and short article)

<http://www.kvue.com/story/news/health/2015/12/03/new-concerns-over-kids-and-electronics/76760584/>

Shannon Murray

News article refers to the American Academy of Pediatrics' latest research (November 2015) and has a brief interview with Dr. Carl Laurysen, a neurosurgeon with Lakeway Regional Medical Center, who suggests parents take precautions when allowing their children to use handheld devices.

02 December 2015

Clear Light Ventures

A Message to Dads About Wireless Safety (5 ½ minute video)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WcYouvVmdjQ>

Peter Sullivan

Scientific Research

11 December 2015

Cyprus Mail

Excessive Use of Media Can Harm Children's Health, Says Study

<http://cyprus-mail.com/2015/12/11/excessive-use-lth-says-study/>

Annette Chrysostomou

*The actual study referred to in this article has not been located yet.

09 December 2015

IEEE Xplore

Dosimetric Simulations of Brain Absorption of Mobile Phone Radiation – The Relationship Between psSAR and Age

<http://ieeexplore.ieee.org/xpl/articleDetails.jsp?arnumber=7335557&newsearch=true&queryText=devra%20davis%20>

Fernandez-Rodriguez, C.E., De Salles, A.A.A., Davis, D.L.

Press release for the study above:

16 December 2015

Environmental Health Trust

New State of the Art Research Shows Children's Brains Absorb Higher Doses of Cell Phone Radiation Than Adults

<http://www.releasewire.com/press-releases/new-state-of-the-art-research-shows-childrens-brains-absorb-higher-doses-of-cell-phone-radiation-than-adults-649700.htm#.VnUVqAlRdWk.facebook>

07 December 2015

University of Alberta

Physical Activity, Reading Beat Screen Time for Kids' Brain Development

<https://uofa.ualberta.ca/news-and-events/newsarticles/2015/december/reading-physical-activity-beat-screen-time-for-kids-brain-development>

Matt Gutsch

"Phys ed and psychology researchers team up to challenge assumptions that screens are beneficial for learning." This is an ongoing study and the researchers are seeking 50 more children to participate.

Article about the study:

03 December 2015

Canada – Edmonton Journal

Early University of Alberta Research Shows Kids' Activity Can Neutralize Effects of Screen Time (1:42 minute video and short article)

<http://edmontonjournal.com/news/local-news/early-university-of-alberta-research-shows-kids-activity-can-neutralize-effects-of-screen-time>

Gordon Kent

01 December 2015

U.S. National Library of Medicine | National Institutes of Health
Radiofrequency Exposure in Young and Old: Different Sensitivities in Light of Age-
Relevant Natural Differences

<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/26613328>

Redmayne M., Johansson O.

01 December 2015

U.S. National Library of Medicine | National Institutes of Health
Synergistic Health Effects Between Chemical Pollutants and Electromagnetic Fields

<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/26598938?dopt=Abstract>

Ledoigt G., Sta C., Goujon E., Souguir D., El Ferjani E.

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De Gruyter | Reviews on Environmental Health Volume 30, Issue 4
Increased Mercury Release From Dental Amalgam Restorations After Exposure to
Electromagnetic Fields as a Potential Hazard for Hypersensitive People and
Pregnant Women

<http://www.degruyter.com/view/j/reveh.2015.30.issue-4/reveh-2015-0017/reveh-2015-0017.xml>

Ghazal Mortazavi, S.M.J. Mortazavi

13 November 2015

International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health
Association of Exposure to Radio-Frequency Electromagnetic Field Radiation (RF-
EMFR) Generated by Mobile Phone Base Stations with Glycated Hemoglobin (HbA1c)
and Risk of Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus

<http://www.mdpi.com/1660-4601/12/11/14519>

Sultan Ayoub Meo, Yazeed Alsubaie, Zaid Almubarak, Hisham Almutawa, Yazeed
AlQasem, Rana Muhammed Hasanato

Article on this study:

27 December 2015

Arab News

New Study Links Cell Phone Tower Radiation to Diabetes

<http://www.arabnews.com/featured/news/856296>

Ghazanfar Ali Khan

"In a new study, Prof. Sultan Ayoub Meo, a professor at KSU's College of Medicine, has for the first time proved that the radiation from towers also causes diabetes mellitus."

2015

Common Sense Media

The Common Sense Census: Media Use By Tweens and Teens

Vicky Rideout, M.A., VJR Consulting Inc.

Introduction to the 2015 Common Sense Media Report:

<https://www.commonsensemedia.org/research/the-common-sense-census-media-use-by-tweens-and-teens>

*Sign up is required by the website to access both the key findings and the full report. Download the full report here:

https://www.commonsensemedia.org/sites/default/files/uploads/research/census_researchreport.pdf

"The purpose of this study is to offer a comprehensive picture of the use of media by young people in the U.S., including the level of enjoyment, frequency of use, and amount of time devoted to a wide array of media activities and devices."

Although Common Sense Media is a pro-industry "non-profit", the information from their most recent study is valuable to understanding trends in children's technology usage.

Here is an article on this study:

03 November 2015

CNN

Teens Spend a 'Mind-Boggling' 9 Hours a Day Using Media, Report Says

<http://www.cnn.com/2015/11/03/health/teens-tweens-media-screen-use-report/>
Kelly Wallace

December 2014

International EMF Alliance

Electromagnetic Hypersensitivity | A Summary by Dr. Erica Mallery-Blythe | Working Draft Version I

<http://www.iemfa.org/wp-content/pdf/Mallery-Blythe-v1-EESC.pdf>

Dr. Erica Mallery-Blythe

26 July 2010

Center for Reproductive Medicine, Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, Ohio

The Open Reproductive Science Journal, 2011, 5, 125-137

Cell Phones and their Impact on Male Fertility: Fact or Fiction

<https://www.clevelandclinic.org/reproductiveresearchcenter/docs/agradoc417.pdf>

Alaa J. Hamada, Aspinder Singh and Ashok Agarwal

Legal / Legislation

20 December 2015

Safe Tech for Schools Maryland

Update On Lawsuit For Student With Wi-Fi Sensitivity in Massachusetts School ADA Complaint

<http://safetechforschoolsmaryland.blogspot.com/2015/12/update-on-court-filing-for-student-with.html>

Articles

23 December 2015

Taipei Times

High-Schoolers Educate Ministry on Phone Addiction

<http://www.taipeitimes.com/News/taiwan/archives/2015/12/23/2003635479>

Staff Writer

"High-school students attending a forum organized by the Ministry of Education's Youth Development Administration have proposed a 'no cellphone day,' saying smartphone addiction could alienate students from society."

05 December 2015

New York Times | Fashion & Style

Our (Bare) Shelves, Our Selves

http://www.nytimes.com/2015/12/06/fashion/our-bare-shelves-our-selves.html?smid=fb-share&_r=2

Teddy Wayne

02 December 2015

The Washington Post | Opinion

I Gave My Students iPads – Then Wished I Could Take Them Back

https://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/i-gave-my-students-ipads--then-wished-i-could-take-them-back/2015/12/02/a1bc8272-818f-11e5-a7ca-6ab6ec20f839_story.html

Launa Hall

14 November 2015

United Kingdom – Independent

Parenting in the Digital Age: Should We Be Handing Our Laptops to Our Children?

<http://www.independent.co.uk/life-style/gadgets-and-tech/features/parenting-in-the-digital-age-should-we-be-handing-our-laptops-to-our-children-a6733441.html>

Simon Osborne

Thank you for being a part of NACST and good luck with your individual efforts!

