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CREATOR: Robert J. Pellicci@EOP@LNGTWY@LNGTWY (Robert J. Pellicci@EOP@LNGTWY@LNGTWY [OMB])

CREATION DATE/TIME:11-JAN-1999 15:57:51.00

SUBJECT: Stem Cell Testimony

TO: Christopher C. Jennings@eop (Christopher C. Jennings@eop [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Message Creation Date was at 11-JAN-1999 15:40:00

I've cleared the HHS statement and expect to clear the Commerce statement around 5 p.m. Both statements have been reviewed by OSTP staff, NIH staff, and OMB and USTR folks. The Commerce statement was significantly rewritten by OSTP and NIH (pages 7 and 10-12). I will send you final copies. Thanks.

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CREATOR: Arthur Bienenstock (CN=Arthur Bienenstock/OU=OSTP/O=EOP [OSTP])

CREATION DATE/TIME:15-JAN-1999 17:52:38.00

SUBJECT: Stem cell talk

TO: Thomas A. Kalil (CN=Thomas A. Kalil/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Tom,

She did a superb job on this yesterday. I learned a lot - and understand the potential role of human somatic cell nuclear transfer in future therapies a lot better. You may want to attend.

Artie

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01/15/99 05:50 PM -----

Joanne S. Tornow

01/15/99 04:56:54 PM

Record Type: Record

To: All OSTP Users

cc:

Subject: Stem cell talk

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CREATOR: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:15-JAN-1999 10:40:05.00

SUBJECT: call chris j. now re: stem cell

TO: BARBARA D. (Pager) #WOOLLEY (BARBARA D. (Pager) #WOOLLEY [UNKNOWN])
READ:UNKNOWN

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CREATOR: Jeffrey M. Smith (CN=Jeffrey M. Smith/OU=OSTP/O=EOP [OSTP])

CREATION DATE/TIME:19-JAN-1999 08:35:11.00

SUBJECT: press guidance -- 1/19/99 stem cell statement by Varmus

TO: Nanda Chitre (CN=Nanda Chitre/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Barry J. Toiv (CN=Barry J. Toiv/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Elizabeth R. Newman (CN=Elizabeth R. Newman/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Christopher C. Jennings (CN=Christopher C. Jennings/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

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HUMAN EMBRYONIC STEM CELL RESEARCH

January 19, 1999

Context: *Harold Varmus, Director of NIH, will announce today at a meeting of the President's National Bioethics Advisory Commission that the HHS General Counsel has determined that NIH and other federally funded scientists will be permitted to use human embryonic stem cells for research. The potential biomedical applications for these cells is enormous—any disease or injury that is caused by or results in damaged or dead cells, such as Parkinson's disease, heart disease, diabetes, and burn and spinal cord injuries, theoretically could be cured. The controversy that has surrounded the breakthrough announcement in November about the successful isolation of human embryonic stem cells originates from the fact that, in one of the two privately funded laboratories involved, these stem cells were isolated from human embryos. The embryos had been created during fertility treatments but were not used, and the couples involved willingly donated them for research purposes. Federally funded scientists have been barred from this area of research since FY1996, because of the Congressional ban on the use of federal funds for human embryo research. There have been two Senate hearings on this issue since the announcement, and one of the central questions has been whether or not the ban would also prohibit federally funded research on embryonic stem cells. Today's announcement will resolve that question, and is consistent with the President's December 2, 1994 Executive Order that prohibits the creation of human embryos specifically for research purposes, but does not ban research on embryos created for reproductive reasons and then subsequently donated to science.*

General

§ HHS General Counsel has determined that use of federal funds to support research on human embryonic stem cells does not violate the Congressionally mandated ban on federally funded human embryo research.

§ This decision is consistent with Administration policy on human embryo research.

§ This decision will now allow NIH and other federally funded biomedical researchers to use human embryonic stem cells for research on treating and potentially curing many debilitating diseases and injuries, including Parkinson's, diabetes, heart disease, burns, and spinal cord injury.

Q: What is the significance of this announcement?

A: Human embryonic stem cells hold enormous potential for treating and possibly curing many debilitating diseases and injuries, including Parkinson's, diabetes, heart disease, burns, and spinal cord injury. Today's announcement opens the way for the nation's federally funded biomedical scientists, who lead the world in medical research, to study these cells for ways to turn their potential into reality.

Q: Does this mean that NIH scientists can do human embryo research?

A: No. The ban on using federal funds for human embryo research is still in place, and is not affected by the HHS decision.

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CREATOR: Arthur Bienenstock (CN=Arthur Bienenstock/OU=OSTP/O=EOP [OSTP])

CREATION DATE/TIME:20-JAN-1999 11:49:18.00

SUBJECT: Stem cell talk

TO: Thomas A. Kalil (CN=Thomas A. Kalil/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Tom,

I found the first presentation of this material extremely valuable. What's more, I think it important to us that you understand the stem cell possibilities - and the dilemmas they will present. If you don't feel "current" on this topic, I urge you to attend (even though I know you're busy with the IT documents).

Artie

Joanne S. Tornow

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CREATION DATE/TIME:20-JAN-1999 17:07:45.00

SUBJECT: Another Stem Cell Hearing

TO: Christopher C. Jennings@eop (Christopher C. Jennings@eop [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:
Message Creation Date was at 20-JAN-1999 16:57:00

FYI --

Sen. Specter has scheduled another hearing on stem cell research for Tuesday, January 26th. The hearing will focus on yesterday's decision by HHS to fund stem cell research. Sen. Specter has invited HHS General Counsel Harriet Raab (to explain yesterday's opinion) and NIH Director Varmus to discuss the agency's implementation plans.

The two HHS statements will be submitted to this Office for clearance on Friday, January 22nd. HHS is requesting a noon Monday, January 25th clearance.

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Subject: weekly

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CREATION DATE/TIME:22-JAN-1999 18:19:21.00

SUBJECT: varmus

TO: Christopher C. Jennings (CN=Christopher C. Jennings/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

On January 19, Dr. Varmus testified that the General Counsel for the Department of Health and Human Services ruled that the Congressional ban on human embryo research does not apply to stem cell research, since the cells cannot be considered embryos as they do not have the capacity to develop into a human being. This ruling, which means that Federally financed researchers will soon be able to work on human embryonic stem cells, was well recieved by Congressional Democrats, the scientific community, and advocates for the aging, who are intrigued by the potential this research has to provide cures for diseases like diabetes and Alzheimer,s. Although some Republicans and pro-life advocacy groups were critical of the decision, we believe that the roll out went as planned and that you are positioned on this issue in a way that avoids controversy and allows for continued scientific advance in these critical areas.

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SUBJECT: guidance today

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CC: Heather M. Riley (CN=Heather M. Riley/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])

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CC: Nicole R. Rabner (CN=Nicole R. Rabner/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
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TEXT:

we will not have any new medicare Q&A until after the Commission meets

----- Forwarded by Laura Emmett/WHO/EOP on 01/26/99 09:22
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Elizabeth R. Newman
01/26/99 08:47:08 AM
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To: See the distribution list at the bottom of this message
cc: Heather M. Riley/WHO/EOP, Barry J. Toiv/WHO/EOP, Amy Weiss/WHO/EOP,
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Head Start Q&A
January 26, 1999

Q. What is the Vice President announcing today on Head Start?

A: Today in a Roosevelt Room ceremony, the Vice President will announce that the President's FY 2000 budget will include a \$607 million increase in Head Start, which would be the largest Head Start increase ever enacted. This significant expansion of the Head Start program renews our commitment to prepare our nation's neediest children for school and help parents to teach and support them. Under the President and Vice President's leadership, Head Start has become America's premier early childhood development program.

The \$607 million increase would bring the program's funding level to \$5.27 billion and enable the program to serve 42,000 additional children -- 35,000 three and four-year olds in Head Start and 7,000 zero to three-year olds in Early Head Start -- bringing total enrollment to 877,000 children. It will also enable the program to invest approximately \$250 million in new funds to improve program quality. This significant increase would enable the program to stay on track to meeting the President's goal of serving one million children with Head Start services by 2002 and doubling the number of children in Early Head Start.

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Subject: Stem Cell Letter - Groups Action

Creator: Barbara D. Woolley

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Rachel E. Levinson (CN=Rachel E. Levinson/OU=OSTP/O=EOP [OSTP])

CREATION DATE/TIME:12-FEB-1999 17:52:59.00

SUBJECT: Meeting of the Adhoc group re: stem cells

TO: Christopher C. Jennings (CN=Christopher C. Jennings/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Clifford J. Gabriel (CN=Clifford J. Gabriel/OU=OSTP/O=EOP @ EOP [OSTP])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Joanne S. Tornow (CN=Joanne S. Tornow/OU=OSTP/O=EOP @ EOP [OSTP])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Arthur Bienenstock (CN=Arthur Bienenstock/OU=OSTP/O=EOP @ EOP [OSTP])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Yesterday the Ad hoc group met to discuss next steps in a legislative strategy for stem cells. While many would like to see the embryo research ban disappear, most of the people felt that going after the ban would be a mistake and might create a backlash. This could happen if, as predicted, the reproductive rights groups renew this battle. A few felt that it would be more intellectually consistent to attack the ban. There was more support for ensuring that the ban is not extended to include stem cells and some went so far as to say that their organizations were not prepared to join in a battle to lift the ban. There was some debate about whether it would be better to seek explicit authority to conduct stem cell research using cells created in the private sector, vs. simply holding the line against an express prohibition. Another suggestion was to urge that this issue not be addressed in an appropriations bill, although the potential downside is that the group might have less influence with the authorizing committee. The meeting ended without resolution except to look for potential champions (with clout) and continue to educate members about the potential benefits of stem cell research and the distinctions between the cells and embryos. They are sending around a letter in preparation for NIH's approps hearings beginning Feb. 22. I will forward the letter.

I did speak to Dave Moore about the patients' bill of rights. He said that the members of the Ad hoc had discussed this issue but did not have consensus. Because of their heterogeneity, some members could get behind parts of some bills but there was no common denominator. This is not surprising given that the group includes representatives of patients, payors and providers. It might be better to try to get together with Marguerite Donohue from Capital Associates as she represents a number of

patient groups.

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David Moore

02/12/99 04:46:57 PM

Please respond to David Moore

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To: [adhoc @ aaamcinfo.aamc.org](mailto:adhoc@aaamcinfo.aamc.org)

cc:

Subject: Adhoc: Stem Cell Letter

To: Organizations Interested in Medical Research

Note: This notice has been sent to the Ad Hoc Group for Medical Research Funding list serve. The Ad Hoc Group has taken no position on this issue, and use of this list serve does not imply a position on this issue.

We are still seeking endorsements for the following letter to all members of the House and Senate supporting the administration's decision on stem cell research. The deadline for signing this letter has been extended to the close-of-business on Thursday, February 18. If your organization wishes to sign this letter, please e-mail me at .

Dave Moore

Associate Vice President

Office of Governmental Relations

Association of American Medical Colleges
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The Honorable _____
United States Senate
Washington D.C. 20510

Dear Senator _____:

The undersigned organizations applaud the determination by the Department of Health and Human Services that current law permits the use of federal funds to support research utilizing human pluripotent stem cells.

Human pluripotent stem cells have the ability to reproduce themselves indefinitely and to give rise to other more specialized types of cells, such

as muscle, skin, nerve, pancreas or blood cells. This ability to produce specialized cells opens a tremendous avenue of research with enormous potential for the treatment of many diseases. For example, human stem cells

could be used to produce different kinds of specialized cells and tissues for use in transplantation to treat many diseases and conditions, including neurological disorders such as Parkinson*s and Alzheimer*s diseases, heart disease and stroke, diabetes, osteoarthritis, rheumatoid arthritis, and spinal cord injury.

Stem cell research also offers great promise for use in drug development and testing, to evaluate and understand both the beneficial and toxic effects of drugs on different human cell types, thus potentially reducing the need for animal studies and enabling fewer and more sharply focused human clinical trials. Research on human stem cells will open exciting new pathways by which to strengthen our understanding of normal human cell and tissue development. This, in turn, will accelerate our insights into the mechanisms of abnormal growth and development, and could lead to the discovery of radically new approaches to the prevention and treatment of birth defects and cancer.

It is essential that the Federal government play a primary role in funding and overseeing the conduct of this research so that the talent and creativity of all our scientists -- both privately and federally funded -- can be applied to this important line of research. Federal involvement creates a more open research environment, promoting the free exchange of ideas and data among scientists, and ensuring greater public engagement and the protections of federal regulatory oversight. Federal support will also increase fiscal resources and expand the pool of well-trained investigators engaged in this area of research, both of which will speed the pace of scientific discovery.

We concur with the National Institutes of Health*s plans to move forward to develop clear guidelines to address the special scientific, legal, and ethical issues surrounding this research. We are confident that this

process will have appropriate public input, as well as the advice of the National Bioethics Advisory Commission and NIH's newly established Council of Public Representatives. NIH has made clear that it will not support any research using human pluripotent stem cells until the appropriate guide lines have been developed and disseminated and an oversight process is in place.

Given the tremendous promise this research holds for millions of Americans, indeed all humankind, we strongly urge you to work with the NIH to ensure that this research can move forward with the support and oversight of the Federal government.

Sincerely,

Alliance for Aging Research
American Academy of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology
American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons
American Academy of Otolaryngology - Head and Neck Surgery
American Association for Cancer Research
American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy
American Association of Immunologists
American Association for the Study of Liver Diseases
American Heart Association
American Lung Association
American Pediatric Society
American Society for Biochemistry and Molecular Biology
American Society for Cell Biology
American Society for Microbiology
American Society for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics
American Society of Hematology
American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene
American Thoracic Society
American Veterinary Medical Association
Association of Academic Departments of Otolaryngology - Head and Neck Surgery
Association of American Medical Colleges
Association of Medical School Microbiology and Immunology Chairs
Association of Medical School Pediatric Department Chairs
Association of Professors of Dermatology
Citizens for Public Action
Cooley's Anemia Foundation
Cystic Fibrosis Foundation
East Carolina University School of Medicine
Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology
Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center
Jeffrey Modell Foundation
Johns Hopkins University
Joint Council of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology
Juvenile Diabetes Foundation International
Krasnow Institute for Advanced Studies
Massachusetts Institute of Technology
National Alliance for Eye and Vision Research
National Alliance for the Mentally Ill
National Health Council

National Organization for Rare Disorders
National Spinal Cord Injury Association
Research!America
RESOLVE, the National Infertility Association
Society for Pediatric Research
The Genome Action Coalition

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Subject: Adhoc: Stem Cell Letter

To: Organizations Interested in Medical Research

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CREATOR: Rachel E. Levinson (CN=Rachel E. Levinson/OU=OSTP/O=EOP [OSTP])

CREATION DATE/TIME:12-FEB-1999 17:52:59.00

SUBJECT: Meeting of the Adhoc group re: stem cells

TO: Christopher C. Jennings (CN=Christopher C. Jennings/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Clifford J. Gabriel (CN=Clifford J. Gabriel/OU=OSTP/O=EOP @ EOP [OSTP])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Joanne S. Tornow (CN=Joanne S. Tornow/OU=OSTP/O=EOP @ EOP [OSTP])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Arthur Bienenstock (CN=Arthur Bienenstock/OU=OSTP/O=EOP @ EOP [OSTP])
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TEXT:

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I did speak to Dave Moore about the patients' bill of rights. He said that the members of the Ad hoc had discussed this issue but did not have consensus. Because of their heterogeneity, some members could get behind parts of some bills but there was no common denominator. This is not surprising given that the group includes representatives of patients, payors and providers. It might be better to try to get together with Marguerite Donohue from Capital Associates as she represents a number of

patient groups.

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CREATOR: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:12-FEB-1999 19:18:57.00

SUBJECT: Re: Adhoc: Stem Cell Letter

TO: Rachel E. Levinson (CN=Rachel E. Levinson/OU=OSTP/O=EOP @ EOP [OSTP])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

thanks.

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CREATOR: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:12-FEB-1999 19:21:49.00

SUBJECT: Stem Cell: Group Update

TO: ibueno (ibueno @ oa.dhhs.gov @ inet [UNKNOWN])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

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SUBJECT: Adhoc: Stem Cell Letter

TO: ibueno (ibueno @ oa.dhhs.gov @ inet [UNKNOWN])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Thought you and Rich might want to see

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07:16 PM -----

Rachel E. Levinson 02/12/99 05:53:59 PM

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CREATOR: Sarah A. Bianchi (CN=Sarah A. Bianchi/O=OVP [UNKNOWN])

CREATION DATE/TIME:18-FEB-1999 19:53:56.00

SUBJECT: also

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I know what's going on with stem cell b.c I ran into Dr. Varmus at dinner the other night, but this is something that I thought I would hear about from you all when it comes up.

Similarly, Chris, himself, is quite good about giving me all of the new information that is coming over on Medicare -- (lots of stuff faxed over to 65557 from and on Breaux yesterday) but never looks that good when I am surprised by it.

Please help

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CREATOR: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:19-FEB-1999 19:49:30.00

SUBJECT: weekly...

TO: Jeanne Lambrew (CN=Jeanne Lambrew/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Children,s Health Insurance Outreach Event. Next Tuesday, you and the First Lady are scheduled to participate in an event highlighting major new initiatives designed to help target and enroll the over 5 million children who are eligible for but not yet enrolled in CHIP or Medicaid. Although 47 States have taken advantage of the CHIP program and all 50 States have Medicaid programs for children, the success of our children,s health initiative will be depends on our ability to identify and enroll eligible children. At the event, you will unveil a new national toll-free number (1-877 KIDS NOW) for children,s health outreach, a major media campaign (which includes the airing of PSAs on NBC, Univision -- the Hispanic television network, and Black Entertainment Television, as well as radio ads in 47 States), a series of private sector committments (such as printing the new 1-800 number on Safeway grocery bags), and the next generation of efforts by your Federal Interagency Task Force on Children,s Health Outreach. You will be joined at this event by the chair and vice chair of the NGA, Governors Carper and Leavitt, who will be in town for the National Governor,s Association Conference.

Jeffords-Kennedy Disability Update. One issue that is gaining a great deal of bipartisan support, particularly in the Senate, is the Jeffords-Kennedy-Roth-Moynihan Work Incentives Improvement Act. The Senate has already held hearings on this legislation and is planning a March 4 markup. It is apparent that there are many Republicans and Democrats who are interested in this legislation in the House, although they are still discussing who should be the lead sponsors. Because of the interest in and bipartisan support for this legislation, we are looking for an opportunity for you to publicly urge the Congress to move to pass this legislation early this year.

Patients Bill of Rights Update. Senator Kennedy, Senator Daschle, and Congressman Dingell have requested that we assist them in encouraging consumer and provider groups to make an orchestrated effort to push the Congress to take strong and early action on the Patients Bill of Rights. In response, we will be meeting with a broad array of these organizations early next week to organize them around the concept of a enforceable bill, and to also help define the difference between a strong and an unacceptably weak bill.

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Medicare Commission Update. On Thursday, Senator Breaux released a preliminary CBO analysis on the implications of the use of a premium support model for Medicare. It portrayed the concept in a fairly positive manner, citing that it could make the program more efficient and less dependant on government price controlling mechanisms. However, it also raised a number of issues that underscored that Medicare beneficiaries would face increased financial risk and there might be significant geographic variation in the impact of this new system. It also reinforced the point that more details would be necessary to be able to complete a comprehensive analysis of the impact of any such policy for the program. This information, and additional information that should be released by the Medicare actuary early next week, will be used when the Medicare Commissioners meet again next Tuesday and Wednesday. On Tuesday, there will be a Democrats only meeting in which many members are expected to again raise concerns about the general direction the Chairman is taking the Commission. More specifically, members will likely ask Senator Breaux to utilize a portion of the surplus to assure adequate financing for the program, to guarantee a defined benefit package, and to provide for an adequate prescription drug benefit for all beneficiaries. In the past, he has suggested that his proposal would include these provisions, and their absence is making Democrats increasingly sceptical that anything positive can emerge from the Commission. On Monday, we will meet with John Podesta and your senior health care advisors to discuss how the Administration should position itself in regards to the Commission and its currently scheduled March 1st final reporting date.

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CREATOR: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:19-FEB-1999 13:31:51.00

SUBJECT: whoops --

TO: Laura Emmett (CN=Laura Emmett/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

please use this paragraph instead of the other one I sent you in the weekly.

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CREATOR: Laura Emmett (CN=Laura Emmett/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:19-FEB-1999 16:47:51.00

SUBJECT: Stem Cell Mtg. Monday

TO: Joanne S. Tornow (CN=Joanne S. Tornow/OU=OSTP/O=EOP @ EOP [OSTP])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Are we on for 2:00 on Monday in 211? Who will be there?

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Kelley L. O'Dell (CN=Kelley L. O'Dell/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:11-MAR-1999 11:16:37.00

SUBJECT: Stem Cell Research Meeting

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Teresa M. Jones (CN=Teresa M. Jones/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

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CREATION DATE/TIME:11-MAR-1999 12:47:49.00

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TO: Joanne S. Tornow (CN=Joanne S. Tornow/OU=OSTP/O=EOP @ EOP [OSTP])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Elena and Chris just spoke about this. Chris agreed to set something up for maybe tomorrow after this evening's mark up or whatever it is going on tonight. Just wanted to let you know. Thanks.

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Subject: Stem cell rider

Creator: Clifford J. Gabriel

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:11-MAR-1999 09:30:19.00

SUBJECT: Stem Cell

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Supposedly, they are setting up an internal meeting ont his issue. Have you seen it added to chris's schedule?

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Teresa M. Jones (CN=Teresa M. Jones/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:11-MAR-1999 11:47:55.00

SUBJECT: Stem Cell Research Meeting

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Can you give me more information/guidance on this meeting. Thanks!!!!

----- Forwarded by Teresa M. Jones/OPD/EOP on 03/11/99

11:50 AM -----

Kelley L. O'Dell 03/11/99 11:15:40 AM

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CREATOR: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:21-MAR-1999 18:04:29.00

SUBJECT: health care info

TO: Amy Weiss (CN=Amy Weiss/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

here's the important parts of our weekly (remember, this is just our draft that we sent to Elena -- she usually edits quite a bit)
please call with questions -- thanks, Devorah

Update on nursing home quality and enforcement problems. In recent days, the Senate Aging Committee, chaired by Senator Grassley, has been releasing a series of GAO and HHS IG reports critical of HCFA's nursing home quality enforcement activities. The reports indicate that HCFA has failed to ensure that the states are fulfilling their nursing home quality obligations. The reports findings include that: HCFA has failed to pursue the investigation of serious quality complaints, inadequately addressed problems associated with repeat offenders, and inadequately intervened in cases where health and safety violations resulted in actual harm to residents. Some of these findings have been or are being addressed by a nursing home quality initiative you unveiled last year. Others are new and are disturbing. In response, we have instructed HCFA to aggressively improve their enforcement activities by requiring states to investigate complaints that allege harm to residents within 10 working days, increasing the minimum fine for facilities violating quality standards to \$50 to \$1,000, and making it easier for states to impose fines of up to \$10,000 for quality violations. We are also working on additional enforcement improvement provisions which are outlined below.

Signing ceremony for the Nursing Home Resident Protection Act. Next week, you are tentatively scheduled to sign into law legislation which prohibits the transfer of Medicaid patients by nursing homes wishing to privatize their entire resident population. This legislation was inspired by cases in Florida in which residents actually died as they were being transferred. The legislation that will be presented to you explicitly prohibits nursing homes who decide to withdraw from the Medicaid program from evicting Medicaid patients. At this event, we are contemplating one or more announcements to underscore our commitment to nursing home quality enforcement. The first is a new legislative proposal that creates new Federal criminal (5 to 10 years in prison) and civil penalties (of up to \$1,000,000 per facility in a corporate chain out of compliance) for individuals, facility chains, or management companies if they engage in conduct that results in a pattern of physical or mental harm to residents. In addition, we are contemplating using this as an opportunity to criticize the Republican bill for its across the board 12 percent cut which will result in a significant reduction in nursing home quality

enforcement activities.

Patients Bill of Rights (PBOR) markup. On Thursday night, the Senate Labor Committee completed its mark up of the Patients Bill of Rights. Senator Kennedy offered the Daschle-Kennedy PBOR as a substitute for the Chairman, s mark and it failed along a party line vote. Most of the subsequent strengthening amendments were also defeated among party line votes. The Democrats were pleased with your statement in support of a strong, enforceable, PBOR at the beginning of this mark-up process and have indicated they wish to work closely with us to develop an amendment strategy when this legislation makes it to the Senate floor. It is our hope that we will find a more receptive group of Republicans on the Senate floor to these amendments. Senator Chafee and Senator Specter,s interest in this area provides some level of encouragement; however, as each day passes it appears more clear that the House is likely to have a stronger set of provisions, which will hopefully help us in a joint House-Senate conference if this legislation reaches this stage.

Update on Medicare. In the wake of the Medicare Commission vote and your announcement of your intention to propose your own Medicare reform initiative, we are developing a range of options for your consideration. This work will be complicated by the March 30th release of this year,s Social Security/ Medicare trustees report, which is expected to push out the exhaustion date of the Medicare trust fund by a number of years. Not only will this impact on our strategy surrounding the dedication of the surplus to Medicare, it will change the scoring of many of the underlying provisions of any proposal. Because it is likely that it will be much easier to reach your previously stated goal of pushing out the exhaustion date to 2020, we believe that it is advisable to stop using any reference to the year 2020 and/or the number of years you wish to extend the life of the trust fund. Instead, we suggest confining our comments to statements like: &We are dedicating 15 percent of the surplus (\$686 billion over 15 years) to Medicare.⁸ This will protect our current policy position while enabling us to potentially modify how we describe the impact of this infusion of dollars to the Medicare program.

Update on TANF/ Medicaid guidebook. Next Monday, we have asked HCFA to release new guidance for states to ensure that those eligible for Medicaid -- especially children -- are enrolled. There have been a number of reports that some states may be inappropriately preventing families from obtaining Medicaid coverage by imposing waiting periods for issuing an application or determining Medicaid eligibility. This guidance makes it clear that these delays are impermissible and inconsistent with the law and underscores your long standing commitment to ensure that welfare reform does not reduce access to the Medicaid program. The letter and guidebook will be issued prior to the release of a report from George Washington University,s Center for Health Policy Studies which implies that the welfare reform statute has created barriers to receiving Medicaid. While we believe the guidance is expected to be well received by advocates, we do not expect states to raise serious concerns about this communication.

Update on the FDA,s recent action to limit the use of antibiotics in animal feed. The FDA has increased evidence that the routine use of

antibiotics in livestock to promote growth may diminish the drugs, power to cure infections in people. As more people consume antibiotics through foodstuffs, they appear to be more resistant to antibiotics when in need of pharmacological intervention. In response, the FDA has released a draft of new regulations that would require manufacturers to test new livestock drugs to see if they foster the growth of resistant bacteria that cause disease in people, both before and after they are approved for use. If they are shown to foster resistance, FDA can curtail their distribution or remove them from the market entirely. The drug and agriculture industries say that the FDA is unnecessarily restricting access to antibiotics, which they insist have not been proved to harm people and are essential to producing affordable meat and poultry. Public health advocates believe that the use of these antibiotics for animals should be severely restricted, if not eliminated altogether, in order to prevent the further development of resistant bacteria. The new FDA proposal is consistent with your &superbug8 initiative that provides a significant increase in funding (\$25 million) to finance a new electronic disease surveillance network that facilitates the timely transmission of information to physicians in order to ensure that new strains of bacteria are identified swiftly and treated effectively.

Update on stem cell research. On Friday, the journal Science will publish a letter from 73 prominent scientists, including 67 Nobel prize winners, that supports plans by NIH to consider financing research with stem cells that originate from human embryos. This should bolster our efforts on Capitol Hill to push back legislation designed to repeal NIH's authority to make this decision.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Ann F. Lewis (CN=Ann F. Lewis/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:22-MAR-1999 17:20:54.00

SUBJECT: Re: Choice Meeting Wed. 10 am

TO: Jennifer M. Luray (CN=Jennifer M. Luray/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Caroline R. Fredrickson (CN=Caroline R. Fredrickson/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Elena Kagan (CN=Elena Kagan/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I think we should add stem cell research to the issue list. According to the Weekly Standard ,since " progress is stalled on banning partial birth", this is going to be the new number one priority.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:29-MAR-1999 20:02:49.00

SUBJECT: stem cell research

TO: Rachel E. Levinson (CN=Rachel E. Levinson/OU=OSTP/O=EOP @ EOP [OSTP])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Jennifer M. Luray (CN=Jennifer M. Luray/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Kelley L. O'Dell (CN=Kelley L. O'Dell/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Teresa M. Jones (CN=Teresa M. Jones/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
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CREATOR: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:30-MAR-1999 09:42:27.00

SUBJECT: Re: stem cell research

TO: Rachel E. Levinson (CN=Rachel E. Levinson/OU=OSTP/O=EOP @ EOP [OSTP])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Teresa M. Jones (CN=Teresa M. Jones/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Can you give me some dates/times for next week. Why don't we do it either
Tues or Wed. Rachel, call me so that we can talk about who should be on
the call. Thanks.

----- Forwarded by Barbara D. Woolley/WHO/EOP on 03/30/99
09:41 AM -----

Devorah R. Adler

03/30/99 08:28:19 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Barbara D. Woolley/WHO/EOP

cc:

Subject: Re: stem cell research

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----- Forwarded by Devorah R. Adler/OPD/EOP on 03/30/99
08:31 AM -----

Jennifer M. Luray

03/30/99 08:27:17 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Devorah R. Adler/OPD/EOP, Barbara D. Woolley/WHO/EOP

cc: Kelley L. O'Dell/WHO/EOP

bcc:

Subject: Re: stem cell research

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03/29/99 08:01:33 PM
Record Type: Record

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CREATION DATE/TIME:30-MAR-1999 15:18:16.00

SUBJECT: Re: stem cell research

TO: Teresa M. Jones (CN=Teresa M. Jones/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I am waiting to get from you times/dates of availabiality for chris for
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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Kelley L. O'Dell (CN=Kelley L. O'Dell/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:30-MAR-1999 11:40:22.00

SUBJECT: Re: stem cell research

TO: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Teresa M. Jones (CN=Teresa M. Jones/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

fyi: Jenny is also out on Monday. So, if the call isn't tomorrow, could we do it Tuesday? Jenny has some time between 9:30 and 12:30 tomorrow morning.

----- Forwarded by Kelley L. O'Dell/WHO/EOP on 03/30/99
11:40 AM -----

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03/30/99 08:27:17 AM

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CREATOR: Teresa M. Jones (CN=Teresa M. Jones/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:30-MAR-1999 15:40:35.00

SUBJECT: Re: stem cell research

TO: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Sorry for the delay, On Tuesday he is available 10 to 1:00; 2:00 to 300;
4:00 to end of day.

On Wednesday he available all day.

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CREATION DATE/TIME:30-MAR-1999 08:29:35.00

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CREATOR: Jennifer M. Luray (CN=Jennifer M. Luray/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:30-MAR-1999 08:28:34.00

SUBJECT: Re: stem cell research

TO: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Kelley L. O'Dell (CN=Kelley L. O'Dell/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

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CREATOR: Teresa M. Jones (CN=Teresa M. Jones/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:30-MAR-1999 14:10:26.00

SUBJECT: Re: stem cell research

TO: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Please confirm the date and time for this call. Thanks!!!

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Teresa M. Jones (CN=Teresa M. Jones/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:31-MAR-1999 12:58:20.00

SUBJECT: stem cell

TO: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Have you rescheduled this conference call yet???

----- Forwarded by Teresa M. Jones/OPD/EOP on 03/31/99

12:59 PM -----

Devorah R. Adler

03/31/99 10:11:31 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Rachel E. Levinson/OSTP/EOP, Jennifer M. Luray/WHO/EOP, Barbara D. Woolley/WHO/EOP

cc: Kelley L. O'Dell/WHO/EOP, Sarah A. Bianchi/OVP @ OVP, Teresa M. Jones/OPD/EOP

Subject: stem cell

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CREATOR: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:31-MAR-1999 10:04:24.00

SUBJECT: one more thing

TO: Jeanne Lambrew (CN=Jeanne Lambrew/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Stem Cell --

can you please make sure that Barbara Woolley sets up a meeting with Rachel Levinson, Jennie Luray, Chris, and the groups to talk about the anti-choice angle on the stem cell issue next week? He also needs specific guidance from Jennie and Rachel about what his message is supposed to be. I will send them an e-mail reminding them about this, but if you could make sure that it happens that would be just fabulous.

thanks --

Devorah

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Kelley L. O'Dell (CN=Kelley L. O'Dell/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:31-MAR-1999 10:14:08.00

SUBJECT: Re: stem cell

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Sounds good, Devorah.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:31-MAR-1999 13:00:57.00

SUBJECT: Re: stem cell

TO: Teresa M. Jones (CN=Teresa M. Jones/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Teresa M. Jones (CN=Teresa M. Jones/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:31-MAR-1999 09:39:59.00

SUBJECT: stem cell

TO: DEVORAH R (Pager) #ADLER (DEVORAH R (Pager) #ADLER [UNKNOWN])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

He said for you to tell Barbara-Con't.....TJ

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:31-MAR-1999 10:12:50.00

SUBJECT: stem cell

TO: Jennifer M. Luray (CN=Jennifer M. Luray/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Rachel E. Levinson (CN=Rachel E. Levinson/OU=OSTP/O=EOP @ EOP [OSTP])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Sarah A. Bianchi (CN=Sarah A. Bianchi/O=OVP @ OVP [UNKNOWN])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Teresa M. Jones (CN=Teresa M. Jones/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Kelley L. O'Dell (CN=Kelley L. O'Dell/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

Jeanne Lambrew (CN=Jeanne Lambrew/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

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RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Lotus Pager Gateway (Lotus Pager Gateway [UNKNOWN])

CREATION DATE/TIME:31-MAR-1999 09:40:56.00

SUBJECT: Re: woolley' mtg (Sent to: DEVORAH R ADLER [Pager])

TO: Teresa M. Jones (CN=Teresa M. Jones/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

To: DEVORAH R (Pager) #ADLER

cc:

From: Teresa M. Jones

Date: 3/31/1999

Time: 09:35:40

Subject: woolley' mtg

Body:

Chris wants to have stem cell TODAY!!!con't....TJ

Priority:

Message history for recipient DEVORAH R ADLER [Pager]

Wednesday 31 Mar 1999 09:37:51 Eastern Standard Time - Message received
by Pager Gateway

Wednesday 31 Mar 1999 09:38:58 Eastern Standard Time - Message received
by Paging Service

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Lotus Pager Gateway (Lotus Pager Gateway [UNKNOWN])

CREATION DATE/TIME:31-MAR-1999 09:40:55.00

SUBJECT: Re: stem cell (Sent to: DEVORAH R ADLER [Pager])

TO: Teresa M. Jones (CN=Teresa M. Jones/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

To: DEVORAH R (Pager) #ADLER

cc:

From: Teresa M. Jones

Date: 3/31/1999

Time: 09:37:06

Subject: stem cell

Body:

Chris wants briefing before call-Con't.....TJ

Priority:

Message history for recipient DEVORAH R ADLER [Pager]

Wednesday 31 Mar 1999 09:39:18 Eastern Standard Time - Message received
by Pager Gateway

Wednesday 31 Mar 1999 09:40:01 Eastern Standard Time - Message received
by Paging Service

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Teresa M. Jones (CN=Teresa M. Jones/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:31-MAR-1999 08:05:16.00

SUBJECT: Conflict with Stem Cell mtg

TO: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Chris has a 9:00 mtg with Gene Sperling this morning. Can you start your meeting at 9:45??? Thanks a lot!!!

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Teresa M. Jones (CN=Teresa M. Jones/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:31-MAR-1999 09:36:58.00

SUBJECT: woolley' mtg

TO: DEVORAH R (Pager) #ADLER (DEVORAH R (Pager) #ADLER [UNKNOWN])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

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CREATOR: Teresa M. Jones (CN=Teresa M. Jones/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:31-MAR-1999 09:38:24.00

SUBJECT: stem cell

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READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

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CREATOR: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:11-APR-1999 16:42:23.00

SUBJECT:

TO: Christopher C. Jennings (CN=Christopher C. Jennings/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

LIST FOR SENIOR STAFF MEETING

April 12, 1999

1. Medicare Update
2. VP and Kick Butts Day
3. Grijalva
Filing of response brief due on Tuesday. Elena has the paper to look at.
4. Stem Cell Research and Abortion
Meeting with the groups on Tuesday (Barbara and Jennie will come by before the meeting to discuss content / approach)
5. Bioterrorism
You, Jose and Bruce need to come to consensus on the DPC position.
6. OASIS
Story in Washington Post on Sat; generally favorable.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:12-APR-1999 21:11:08.00

SUBJECT: Updated - Agenda - Stem Cell - list of participants

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Lisa M. Kountoupes (CN=Lisa M. Kountoupes/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Kelley L. O'Dell (CN=Kelley L. O'Dell/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Tracey E. Thornton (CN=Tracey E. Thornton/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Rachel E. Levinson (CN=Rachel E. Levinson/OU=OSTP/O=EOP @ EOP [OSTP])
READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Jennifer M. Luray (CN=Jennifer M. Luray/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Laura Emmett (CN=Laura Emmett/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])
READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:
Human Stem Cell Research
April 13, 1999
OEOB, Room 100

Agenda

1. Opening

Remarks

Chris Jennings

Welcome. Describe point in Weekly Standard that GOP may be planning to raise human stem cell research and tightening of the Congressional ban on embryo research as part of anti-choice movement. We convened this meeting to convey this information, to touch base once again with groups who are following this issue and have been helpful to us in the past, and to hear what they have been working on to ensure that important biomedical research is not constrained unnecessarily.

2.

Introductions

Attendees

3. Administration's

Position

Chris Jennings

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CREATOR: Jennifer M. Luray (CN=Jennifer M. Luray/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:13-APR-1999 16:58:53.00

SUBJECT: stem cell

TO: Christopher C. Jennings (CN=Christopher C. Jennings/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

You did a great job. I'm hoping to pick up some of your diplomatic style!

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:13-APR-1999 20:50:01.00

SUBJECT: Good job on stem cell!

TO: Christopher C. Jennings (CN=Christopher C. Jennings/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

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CREATOR: Joanne S. Tornow (CN=Joanne S. Tornow/OU=OSTP/O=EOP [OSTP])

CREATION DATE/TIME:13-APR-1999 14:51:49.00

SUBJECT: POTUS Qs & As

TO: Christopher C. Jennings (CN=Christopher C. Jennings/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
READ:UNKNOWN

CC: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])
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CREATOR: Rachel E. Levinson (CN=Rachel E. Levinson/OU=OSTP/O=EOP [OSTP])

CREATION DATE/TIME:13-APR-1999 12:47:29.00

SUBJECT: stem cell meeting at 3 today - updated agenda and list of attendees

TO: Jennifer M. Luray (CN=Jennifer M. Luray/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP @ EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])

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TEXT:

Human Stem Cell Research

April 13, 1999, 3 p.m.

OEOB, Room 100

Agenda

1.

Introductions

Attendees

2. Opening

Remarks

Chris Jennings

Jennifer Luray

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CREATION DATE/TIME:13-APR-1999 16:33:25.00

SUBJECT: POTUS Qs & As

TO: Laura Emmett (CN=Laura Emmett/OU=WHO/O=EOP @ EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

here you go

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04:35 PM -----

Joanne S. Tornow

04/13/99 02:52:10 PM

Record Type: Record

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CREATION DATE/TIME:13-APR-1999 14:16:48.00

SUBJECT: Re: employee gym

TO: Mary E. Cahill (CN=Mary E. Cahill/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

FYI

----- Forwarded by Joseph D. Ratner/WHO/EOP on 04/13/99
02:16 PM -----

Jennifer M. Luray

04/13/99 02:06:39 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Joseph D. Ratner/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

bcc:

Subject: Re: employee gym

thank you.

Also, I suggested that Mary Beth did not need to come to the stem cell meeting today, unless she wanted to meet the patient/medical groups we deal with. Barbara was going to check with her.

Joseph D. Ratner

04/13/99 01:21:54 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Jennifer M. Luray/WHO/EOP

cc: Kelley L. O'Dell/WHO/EOP

Subject: Re: employee gym

Jennifer-----You should contact Dan Holt in room 1. x65105. Thanks.

jdr

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CREATOR: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:13-MAY-1999 18:18:49.00

SUBJECT: Re: Need to set up 2 phone calls for monday, may 17 on "stem cell issue"

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

I knew you would ask that question. We are on a deadline of Tuesday night for groups to be added to their press material for a, thursday, may 20, press conf on capital hill when a new Coalition for Patients Research will be announced (20 national patient groups) and a new poll will be released. There are 5 patients groups that we (the WH) are working in the hopes that they will add their names to this list. They are very important to the list. As you know, the stem cell issue is not without its controversy. By Chris calling we hope that it is just another push to say that the WH cares about this issue. By doing it sooner versus later they have more time to do what they need to do to internally to get approval from their boards. As you know, most groups move slowly. It will take me one day to get the groups organized for call and Chris has asked for some info from NIH on how stem cell will benefit those with cancer and heart. call me if you have further questions.

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CREATOR: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:13-MAY-1999 18:07:35.00

SUBJECT: Re: Need to set up 2 phone calls for monday, may 17 on "stem cell issue"

TO: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

why does it have to be monday?

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CREATOR: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

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TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Teresa M. Jones (CN=Teresa M. Jones/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

Chris agreed to do the following two phone calls.

1. Cass Wheeler, American Heart Assn, 30 min
2. Joe Seffrin, American Cancer Society, 30 min

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CREATION DATE/TIME:13-MAY-1999 12:04:19.00

SUBJECT: Patients Coalition Urging Research - PCUR - Stem Cell - Press Conf - May20

TO: Jennifer M. Palmieri (CN=Jennifer M. Palmieri/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
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TO: Rachel E. Levinson (CN=Rachel E. Levinson/OU=OSTP/O=EOP@EOP [OSTP])
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TO: Christopher C. Jennings (CN=Christopher C. Jennings/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])
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CC: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])
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TEXT:

FYI, on May 20, Thursday, 10:00am, 20 national patient organizations will hold a press conference on Cap Hill announcing the new formation of the above coalition and releasing a new poll regarding research/stem cells. They will also do a congressional staff briefing that day.

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CREATION DATE/TIME:13-MAY-1999 17:23:50.00

SUBJECT: Stem Cell Follow Up

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TEXT:

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We also discussed the legislative strategy. I reviewed the recent Hill briefings with Drs. Paul Berg and Roger Pedersen both of which went well but brought out those on the Hill who oppose stem cell research. We reviewed the attached lists of House Appropriations Committee members and where they stand on the stem cell research. Those who are in the Yes column are in support of federal funding of embryonic stem cell research. We now want to begin to visit with all of the members of the committee particularly those we have not spoken to yet. The idea is to do visits on the Hill on May 20 with the patient groups and beyond. The general message being we support stem cell research and we urge you to do no harm. While we are hearing that the Labor-HHS bill may not be marked up until the fall I think its important to get a full count on this issue at this point in the process on.

I would like to ask you to send me an email with those members on the Appropriations Committee you would be willing to meet with to discuss

the stem cell issue. Please let me know by Monday, May 17 who you could meet with, preferably those you have a connection with. I will then create a list of those who have agreed to meet with each office so we can begin to schedule visits in small groups. Please let me know if you have questions. I think we can spread this out over time starting with the patients next week, then some staff visits with those of us in town and finally having other groups bringing in their troops through the summer. We just need to remember the balance Congressman Porter talked about and be sure that we don't make this the only issue and thus stir up trouble. I just heard from Sean Tipton that the draft NBAC report on stem cell research looks very favorable. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you.

These groups will be meeting again on Tuesday, May 18 at 2:00 PM at Hill and Knowlton, but I will be out of town that day.

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Tom DeLay		X (Likely)	
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Sonny Callahan	X (Likely)		
Jim Walsh		X	
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Duke Cunningham	X		
Todd Tiahrt		X	
Zack Wamp			X
Tom Latham		X	
Anne Northrup		X	
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CREATOR: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:13-MAY-1999 18:32:45.00

SUBJECT: Re: Need to set up 2 phone calls for monday, may 17 on "stem cell issue"

TO: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

okay. pls talk to elizabeth about times.

RECORD TYPE: PRESIDENTIAL (NOTES MAIL)

CREATOR: Rachel E. Levinson (CN=Rachel E. Levinson/OU=OSTP/O=EOP [OSTP])

CREATION DATE/TIME:13-MAY-1999 15:11:52.00

SUBJECT: Re: Patients Coalition Urging Research - PCUR - Stem Cell - Press Conf - May20

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

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To: Ann F. Lewis/WHO/EOP@EOP

cc:

Subject: Re: Patients Coalition Urging Research - PCUR - Stem
Cell - Press Conf - May20

They would LOVE to call on us for a statement

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CREATOR: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:14-MAY-1999 16:12:28.00

SUBJECT: Call for Chris - Stem Cell - American Heart Assn - Needs to be done today if at all possible.

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

American Heart Association

Cass Wheeler, CEO and President

Hotel George, Washington, DC, 202-347-4200 ask for room

[Cass is arriving at Dulles Airport at 4:20 Friday, today, will go to hotel to check in and then has a dinner. The AHA meeting starts on Saturday morning 8:00 am to begin to discuss the Stem Cell issue.]

Background: They have not made a decision on whether to join the Patients Coalition. Secretary Shalala met with their leadership about a week ago and raised this issue with them. It is our understanding that they are meeting this weekend to continue to consider this issue (and others) which is why it is important you reach Cass prior to the Saturday meeting if at all possible. They are key to this issue. You sat in a meeting with Cass and John Seffrin, CEO, American Cancer Society about 3 weeks ago to talk about the Hutchinson provision re. tobacco money going to the states.

Talking Points

It is likely that the first applications for stem cells will come in the transplantation field to replace worn or defective tissue. To date, the most direct evidence for this use comes from animal research in which healthy heart muscle cells transplanted into the heart successfully repopulated heart tissue and worked together with the host cells. Human embryonic stem cells have been made to differentiate into heart muscle cells in the laboratory and can be seen beating in a petri dish.

The NIH National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute states that, &Stem cells could potentially be used to repair the failing heart when it can no longer pump, to generate growth of heart chambers when infants are born with malformed hearts, to prevent rejection of transplanted hearts, and to repair vascular damage resulting from high blood pressure and atherosclerosis.⁸

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CREATOR: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:14-MAY-1999 16:00:28.00

SUBJECT: Call for Chris - Stem Cell Issue - March of Dimes

TO: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

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TEXT:

March of Dimes

Marina Weiss

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Background: They have not signed onto the Patients Coalition that will be unveiled on Thursday, May 20. They find the stem cell issue of importance to the March of Dimes. However, they are trying to figure out how to approach the issue by either the Patients Coalition or Scientifically. Dan Perry seems to think they will join on to the Coalition but thinks your call to Marina would be beneficial to this process.

Talking Points

Birth defects are the leading cause of infant death and a major cause of disability in young people, affecting more than 150,000 babies each year. There are thousands of different kinds of birth defects, with some of the most common including defects in the heart and circulatory system, the muscle and skeletal system, and the nervous system. Among other uses, the NIH National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute states that, &Stem cells could potentially be used (to generate growth of heart chambers when infants are born with malformed hearts("

Human embryonic stem cells have already been made to differentiate into heart muscle cells and into nerve cells in the laboratory. Animal research has shown that healthy heart muscle cells transplanted into the heart successfully repopulated heart tissue and worked together with the host cells, offering hope that tissue transplantation in humans is possible.

Human embryonic stem cells can be used to understand the basic biological processes that govern development, errors in which often lead to birth defects.

Through the Fund for Biomedical Research, the March of Dimes supports new research in gene therapy, premature births, and organ regeneration. Some birth defects already have been treated using gene therapy, and organ regeneration shows great promise for correcting many birth defects and abnormalities involving the liver, kidneys, and heart. Stem cell research offers great promise for new advances in both of these areas.

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CREATOR: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:14-MAY-1999 17:03:18.00

SUBJECT: Weekly

TO: Victoria A. Lynch (CN=Victoria A. Lynch/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

SENIOR/HEALTH/RURAL OUTREACH

Meetings: I sat in 2 meetings with Sally Katzan talking about our agriculture policy and a possible upcoming Radio Address on the Ag Economy on May 22. Chris Jennings and I met with AARP, American Medical Association, American Hospital Association, the Federation of American Hospital Systems to seek their bottom lines on Medicare Reform. Rachel Levinson and I had a conference call with the Alzeheimers Association regarding the Stem Cell issue.

Amplification: The following announcements went to our email and fax lists: Youth and Violence; Supplemental.

Constituency Issues/Ongoing Activities: Medicare Reform discussions. Both the Administration and Congress are under pressure to do BBA provider fixes in our packages. Each of the provider communities) nursing homes, home health, hospitals and teaching hospitals) laid out their fixes and priorities to Chris and myself. Social Security) the senior community continues to ask what the Administration is doing. The Older Women,s League wrote a letter to Gene Sperling on this subject. The House will take up hearings on the Older Americans Act next week beginning with the most controversial piece to the senior community) Title V. Agriculture economy) Daschle talked to the President about doing a public event on the ag economy prior to the Members going home over Memorial recess. The only opportunity is the Radio Address for May 21. The ag community says the supplemental is a beginning but does not go far enough. Language was put into the supplemental urging the Administration to track the situation in farm country and send up a request later if needed. The Republicans are pointing the issue at the President with this language.

Next Week: Talking to the Arthritis Foundation, National Multiple Sclerosis Society, American Heart Association, and March of Dimes to urge them to participate in the Thursday, May 20, press conference on the Hill on the Stem Cell issue. Bringing in the Patients Bill of Rights (PBOR) Coalition to talk about the upcoming Senate Finance Committee hearing on PBOR on May 20. Radio Address on Agriculture Economy. Association of American Medical Colleges meeting with Steve Richitti on the BBA cuts to providers on Tuesday. Possible meeting with John Podesta on Agriculture Economy and Radio Address on Monday.

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CREATOR: Teresa M. Jones (CN=Teresa M. Jones/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

CREATION DATE/TIME:17-MAY-1999 17:10:48.00

SUBJECT: Re: Need to set up 2 phone calls for monday, may 17 on "stem cell issue"

TO: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TEXT:

What is the status os these calls???

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CREATOR: Joanne S. Tornow (CN=Joanne S. Tornow/OU=OSTP/O=EOP [OSTP])

CREATION DATE/TIME:18-MAY-1999 13:27:48.00

SUBJECT: Patients' CURE meeting today

TO: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

READ:UNKNOWN

TO: Christopher C. Jennings (CN=Christopher C. Jennings/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])

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To: Joanne S. Tornow/OSTP/EOP, Rachel E. Levinson/OSTP/EOP

cc: "Perry, Dan" <dperry@AGINGRESEARCH.ORG>

Subject: Patients' CURE meeting today

FYI - Dan Perry asked me to forward this notice which I sent out earlier today.

This is a notice that the Patients' CURE will be having its final press conference planning meeting this afternoon at 2:00 pm at the offices of Hill and Knowlton at 600 New Hampshire Avenue, Watergate complex, 6th floor. If you wish to participate by conference call, please call Krista Donahue at H&K at (202) 944-5108 this morning and give her your phone number.

Also, if your group is a patient member of the coalition and you wish to have a statement on the importance of stem cell research to your constituency included in the press packet that is mailed out to reporters tomorrow, please either bring it to the meeting or have it messengered to Hill and Knowlton before COB today. So far, we only have one statement from one group to include. If you cannot get a statement ready by today, please bring at least 50 copies on your letterhead to the press conference on Thursday morning and it will be put out on the press table at that time.

If endorsing groups (i.e. non-patient based) wish to put out a statement, your main thrust should be the endorsement of Patients' CURE and the

coalition's focus and efforts, with lesser emphasis on stem cell research itself. Please contact Krista at H&K at kdonahue@hillandknowlton.com if you have any questions about the content of a statement.

Finally, for the information of those new groups signing on either as members or endorsers, the press conference to announce the coalition and strong national support for stem cell research will take place in the Capitol in room HC6 at 10:00 am on Thursday, May 20. We strongly urge ALL coalition groups to be represented at the press conference by at least one senior member of their organization. While you will not have to speak formally, your group may be asked questions by the media after the announcement, and we would like to have a very strong showing from all involved.

Thanks,
Penny

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SUBJECT: New additions to list

TO: Christopher C. Jennings (CN=Christopher C. Jennings/OU=OPD/O=EOP@EOP [OPD])
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TO: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
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FYI, re: the stem cell coalition

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Subject: New additions to list

FYI -

Citizens for Public Action on Blood Pressure and Cholesterol have just signed on as a member, in addition to the Genetics Society of America, the American Society of Human Genetics and the American Society of Hematology as endorsers.

Attached is an updated list of the coalition groups and a contact list to reflect this information, as well as the other groups who have joined in the past two days.
Penny

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CREATOR: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:19-MAY-1999 17:45:19.00

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TEXT:

I've sent you a copy of their press release and a one pager on their research polling info. FYI.

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CREATOR: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

CREATION DATE/TIME:19-MAY-1999 09:49:03.00

SUBJECT: Chris Requested these talking points - Heart association tps re: stem cells

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TEXT:

Can you pass to chris. Thank you.

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Joanne S. Tornow

05/19/99 08:42:16 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Barbara D. Woolley/WHO/EOP@EOP, Christopher C.

Jennings/OPD/EOP@EOP

cc: Rachel Levinson

Subject: Heart association tps re: stem cells

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Research using these stem cells is a health issue, not an abortion issue.

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CREATOR: Joanne S. Tornow (CN=Joanne S. Tornow/OU=OSTP/O=EOP [OSTP])

CREATION DATE/TIME:19-MAY-1999 08:42:25.00

SUBJECT: Heart association tps re: stem cells

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TO: Barbara D. Woolley (CN=Barbara D. Woolley/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
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CC: Rachel E. Levinson (CN=Rachel E. Levinson/OU=OSTP/O=EOP [OSTP])
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TEXT:

Yesterday Patients' CURE held a very good press conference to announce the formation of the Coalition supporting stem cell research. There were some members of the press there and so far we have see press coverage from the Washington Fax, Reuters and Congress Daily. The Post and Fox 5 are supposed to do pieces too. The patients, scientists and ethicist who spoke did an outstanding job. Dan Perry also did a great job as the MC. Richard Dorflinger of the Conference of Catholic Bishops did get in his negative questions, but this gave a chance to respond to him. Following the event his group sent faxes to the Appropriators giving their side of the issue.

Following the event several of us met with Congressional staff from members who are on the Appropriations Committee. Below is a list of the meetings and a brief synopsis.

Marcy Kaptur (D-OH) - Her staffer was quite supportive of stem cell research and was looking for help to explain the issue to her boss. Kaptur is a Catholic, but her staffer was confident we could convince her to support stem cell research. Michelle Puczynski a 15 year old juvenile diabetes patient showed the staffer how she tests her blood several times a day which I think was quite effective.

David Hobson [R-OH) - This was a very favorable meeting. His staffer

who studied biology ungrad really seemed to understand the issue and said his boss has taken controversial stances in the past so he think he'll be with us. He has not spoken to his boss about the stem cell issue yet, but he was confident that he would be supportive.

Joe Skeen [R- NM] - While we were meeting with staff Rep. Skeen did come in to say hello. His staff clearly did not know the details of the issue, but he thought that given the possible implications from Parkinson's that the Congressman would be supportive. He had received a fax from the Catholic Bishops which clearly was confusing the issue so we'll need to follow up.

John Porter [R-IL] - We met with a Labor HHS staffer who knew the issue quite well. She told us that with the Labor HHS bill not likely to be marked up any time soon if at all the issue will take a long time to play out. She is also concerned that if there is an Omnibus Appropriation again this year that someone could slip in language opposing stem cells research at the last minute. Porter supports the Administrations position on stem cell research.

Nita Lowey [D-NY] - As you know she is very supportive of stem cell research. Her staff encouraged us to work to find some out spoken Republican Champions because she worried the support is soft. We will continue to work closely with Lowey's staff.

Ralph Regula [R- OH]- His staff was not well informed on the issue, but listened carefully and asked good questions. She was encouraging but asked to see materials from both sides of the issue for her boss to weigh the concerns in his mind. I am hopeful that Regula will be supportive, but not confident.

I will be filling out the count list of the Appropriations Committee for the next meeting which is Wednesday May 26 at 2:00 at Hill and Knowlton. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Tim

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SUBJECT: got stem cell update pls call Devorah 65707

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SUBJECT: faxing nyt (pear) hiaa article; assume you saw stem cell in wp call when you can -- D

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CREATION DATE/TIME:24-MAY-1999 10:18:55.00

SUBJECT: sent stem cell q&a to laura e. hhs is calling for them already -- D

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CREATOR: Nanda Chitre (CN=Nanda Chitre/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

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TEXT:

Where are stem cells derived from if not from embryos? How can stem cells not involve the use of embryos?

"This is because stem cells cannot become embryos and such research does not involve the destruction or use of embryos. "

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Laura Emmett

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Subject: Stem Cell Guidance

Stem Cell Q&A

May 24, 1999

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SUBJECT: stem cell guidance

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let me know what you want to do about this- thanks

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05/24/99 11:30:15 AM

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Subject: stem cell guidance

Can you please run this piece by your folks who did the DPC guidance on this, and see if they want to amend their guidance at all, or whether it still stands... Thanks.

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Rachel E. Levinson

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Subject: stem cell guidance

Human Stem Cell/Embryo Research

May 24, 1999

Context: Yesterday,s Washington Post and today,s NYT carry stories focusing on the deliberations of the President,s National Bioethics Advisory Commission (NBAC) concerning human stem cell research. The stories are based on a Commission staff draft report that has not yet been adopted by the Commission but reflects their discussion of the past six months. The articles also cover a statement issued last week by a coalition of patient advocacy groups in support of Federal funding for

human stem cell research.

General: On November 14, 1998, the President asked NBAC to undertake a thorough review of the issues associated with human stem cell research, balancing all ethical and medical considerations.⁸ The Commission expects to complete this review in late June or early July. NBAC chairman Harold Shapiro reported the early thinking of the Commission in a March 9 letter to Dr. Harold Varmus, that Federal funding ought to be made available for research using human stem cells derived from aborted fetuses and embryos in excess of those needed for infertility treatments.

The Commission has not reached a conclusion regarding Federal funding for the actual derivation of stem cells from embryos, a step that would require a change in the current Congressional ban on discarding or destroying embryos in the course of NIH-funded research. One Commissioner has stated that it would be disingenuous⁸ to make a distinction between using and deriving stem cells from embryos. Others believe that to do so would be consistent with current policy that allows the use of fetal tissue derived from aborted fetuses, so long as the decision to abort is made separately and prior to any request to use the tissue for research purposes. Prior to the Congressional ban, the President issued a statement prohibiting the use of Federal funds for the creation of human embryos for research purposes. Deriving or using human stem cells for research would not violate this prohibition.

NIH director Harold Varmus has asked an outside panel to develop guidelines and an oversight process for Federally-funded research using, but not deriving human stem cells. Draft guidelines will be published in the next few weeks in the Federal Register for a 60-day public comment period.

Q. What is the Administration view on human stem cell research?

A. The HHS General Counsel has issued an interpretation of the Congressional ban on embryo research concluding that because human stem cells do not fall under the statutory definition of &embryo,⁸ research using stem cells would not be affected by the ban. It is critical that such research be carried out under the highest ethical principles, enforced by a rigorous oversight scheme.

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here you go -- your write up is very helpful -- I will make sure Chris sees it and comments. thanks

Devorah

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May 24, 1999

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FOLLOW UP QUESTION

Q: What do you think of the Commission,s proposed recommendation?

A: The Administration,s position is clear; we do not support Federal funding for research that derives stem cells from embryos, and we will not fund research in which human embryos are destroyed, discarded, or subjected to impermissible risk. Because the Commission has not made their final recommendation yet, any other comments on this report are premature.

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CREATION DATE/TIME:24-MAY-1999 13:21:54.00

SUBJECT: q&a

TO: Laura Emmett (CN=Laura Emmett/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

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TEXT:

HHS OGC made some technical clarifications -- can you please see about getting the revised down to Barry? thanks.

Devorah

Stem Cell Q&A

May 24, 1999

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CREATOR: Barry J. Toiv (CN=Barry J. Toiv/OU=WHO/O=EOP [WHO])

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TEXT:

haven't we been ok in the past on embryo research if only "spare" embryos
are used and not those created for research purposes?

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SUBJECT: stem cell q&a

TO: Laura Emmett (CN=Laura Emmett/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])

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TEXT:

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FOLLOW UP QUESTION

Q: What do you think of the Commission,s proposed recommendation?

A: The Administration,s position is clear; we do not support Federal funding for research that derives stem cells from embryos, and we will not fund research in which human embryos are destroyed, discarded, or subjected to impermissible risk. Because the Commission has not made their final recommendation yet, any other comments on this report are premature.

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CREATOR: Devorah R. Adler (CN=Devorah R. Adler/OU=OPD/O=EOP [OPD])

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SUBJECT: Re: stem cell guidance

TO: Laura Emmett (CN=Laura Emmett/OU=WHO/O=EOP@EOP [WHO])
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TEXT:

Here are q&a with minor OSTP changes -- but our guidance still stands -- the OSTP background is great, but I think our q&a are much better.

Devorah

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SUBJECT: sending stem cell q&a now pls make chris j look at them right now

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SUBJECT: q&a cleared by HHS OGC

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Subject: Adhoc: The New Yorker Profiles Dr. Harold Varmus

The new issue of The New Yorker (cover date June 7) features a ten-page article on Dr. Harold Varmus, titled, "The Political Scientist," written by James Fallow, former editor of U.S. News and World Report and chief speech writer for President Jimmy Carter. The article is promoted on a cover flap as "Washington's Dr. Big Bucks-James Fallows on the man reshaping medicine."

The glowing profile states that Dr. Varmus, "improbably, may be the most effective backstairs politician the Clinton Administration has produced." Fallows writes, "Varmus has achieved a series of political victories that will affect scientific policy for many years to come and, at least by implication, may change the entire understanding of health, disease, and the limits of the human life span." Secretary Shalala is quoted as saying about Dr. Varmus's appointment, "It may turn out to be the most important legacy of the Clinton Administration."

The article contends that "since taking office Varmus has stuck to the Washington version of modesty, which is to recognize how much more

influential you can be if not everyone is aware of your influence." Fallows notes that many of Dr. Varmus's former research colleagues, "believed he would lack the patience to sit and listen, smiling, as members of Congress expounded on scientific matters. But he has demonstrated that he can do this very well. His strategy has been to seem so authoritative and judicious that politicians trust him as a kind of expert witness on any matter of medical policy."

The concluding section of the article questions whether Varmus's strategy for working with Congress "will be sufficient when it comes to the growing stem-cell controversy." Fallows argues that the stem-cell issue "is likely to prove more incendiary than any other that Varmus has addressed." Fallows further argues that given the positions of the Pro-Life Caucus in the House and the apparent NBAC position, Dr. Varmus's position on stem cell research "has returned him to his accustomed role as the man in the reasonable middle." Fallows contends, "Varmus's present restrained view is not a reflection of indifference to stem-cell research; instead, it demonstrates his investment in the political process."

The article is not available on-line. The issue will appear on newsstands in the next day or two.

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