



100,000 babies are about to change the world. Yours could be one of them.

Perspectives



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I live in Tustin. When National Children's Study staff first came to my door and told me about the Study, I felt relief because a study of this magnitude had finally become a reality. In my daily life as a mother of two, I am always looking for answers regarding the well being of my children. The questions are always there: What can I do to keep my kids mentally and physically healthy? What can I do to prevent certain diseases? Parents want answers from their doctors but doctors say that the way to get answers is to participate in research like the National Children's Study. This Study is the greatest opportunity to get the answers to these questions.

When the NCS Household Interviewers came to my home, they asked me a few questions about the likelihood of my getting pregnant. I do not plan to have any more children so I cannot participate in the Study, but I wanted to support the Study. So I became a member of the Neighborhood Advisory Committee and am actively volunteering. I believe this Study will have an important role in history and I want to be a part of it.

Extra! Extra! Read All About It!



Senator Lou Correa's press conference for National Children's Study.

Exciting news -- we're more than 50% through the Household Interviewing phase, and we've also begun more home visits.

We will be having our first NAC (Neighborhood Advisory Committee) Breakfast of Champions at the Anaheim Community Center. NAC members from all segments will be coming together to celebrate our progress and also brainstorm ideas on how

FAQ

Do participants in the National Children's Study have to participate in other studies?

No. However they may be asked to participate in other studies that are connected to the National Children's Study. If participants are asked to be part of other studies they can always say, "no thanks."



Outreach Specialist Karla Cativo commands the crowd at National Night Out last month.

to continue to reach out to the community and complete the Household Interviewing phase.

Senator Lou Correa held a press conference for the National Children's Study at the Boys and Girls Club of Garden Grove last month. As a result, we were showcased on NPR and several other media outlets. Check out the NPR segment at <http://www.scp.org/news/2009/08/11/child-study/>

Upcoming Events

- Sept. 3** - Fullerton Community Nursery School Parent Presentation
- Sept. 8** - Garden Grove City Council Presentation
- Sept. 14** - NAC Breakfast of Champions
- Sept. 19** - Crystal Cathedral Community Fest

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