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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Office of the Secretary

Findings of Scientific Misconduct

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HHS.
ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Office of Research Integrity (ORI) has made final findings of scientific misconduct in the following case:

Ruth Lupu, Ph.D., Georgetown University Medical Center: On December 6, 1995, based on an investigation conducted by Georgetown University Medical Center, ORI found that Ruth Lupu, Ph.D., committed scientific misconduct by submitting a false letter of collaboration in an unfunded application to the Public Health Service (PHS). Letters of collaboration are a significant factor in the evaluation of applications.

Dr. Lupu has entered into a Voluntary Exclusion Agreement with ORI in which she has accepted ORI's finding and has agreed to exclude herself voluntarily, for the period beginning December 6, 1995, and ending January 30, 1997, from serving in any advisory capacity to PHS, including but not limited to service on any PHS advisory committee, board, and/or peer review committee, or as a consultant.

In addition, Dr. Lupu has voluntarily agreed to accept the administrative sanctions imposed by Georgetown University Medical Center, which include requirements that:

- (1) a letter of reprimand be issued and retained in her personnel file for two years; and
- (2) her future grant applications, proposals, and other publications be subject to special monitoring and review for two years.

No scientific publications were required to be corrected as part of this Agreement.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Director, Division of Research Investigations, Office of Research Integrity, 5515 Security Lane, Suite 700, Rockville, MD 20852.

Lyle W. Bivens,
Director, Office of Research Integrity.
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Findings of Scientific Misconduct

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HHS.
ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Office of Research Integrity (ORI) has made final findings of scientific misconduct in the following case:

Ms. Victoria Santa Cruz, University of Arizona: Based on an investigation conducted by the institution, ORI found that Ms. Victoria Santa Cruz, former Program Coordinator, College of Nursing, University of Arizona, engaged in scientific misconduct by fabricating interview data on a questionnaire intended for use in two studies funded by two Public Health Service (PHS) grants.

Ms. Santa Cruz did not contest the ORI findings or administrative actions, which require that, for a period of three years, any institution that proposes her participation in PHS-supported research must submit a supervisory plan designed to ensure the scientific integrity of her contribution. Ms. Santa Cruz is also prohibited from serving in any advisory capacity to PHS, including but not limited to service on any PHS

advisory committee, board, and/or peer review committee, or as a consultant for a period of three (3) years.

Because the studies involved are ongoing, no publications were affected by the fabricated data, and no clinical treatment has been based on the results of the studies.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Director, Division of Research Investigations, Office of Research Integrity, 5515 Security Lane, Suite 700, Rockville, MD 20852.

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Administration on Children and Families

Local Research Partnerships for Early Head Start Programs: Availability of Funds and Request for Applications

AGENCY: Head Start Bureau, Administration on Children, Youth and Families (ACYF), Administration for Children and Families (ACF).

ACTION: Availability of funds and request for applications to conduct research in Early Head Start programs.

SUMMARY: The Head Start Bureau, Administration on Children, Youth and Families has recently awarded grants to provide comprehensive services to families with infants and toddlers. A cross-site evaluation of a subsample of the total 68 Early Head Start programs will be performed by Mathematica Policy Research Institute which was designated as the National Early Head Start Evaluation contractor. Additional site-specific research will be conducted by research partners who reside in or near the same subset of Early Head Start programs and will attempt to determine the interrelationships of child, family, program and community variables and program outcomes (local research). This announcement describes the requirements to be met by applicants seeking to conduct the local research.

DATES: The closing time and date for receipt of applications is 5 p.m. (Eastern Time Zone) February 20, 1996. Applications received after 5 p.m. will be classified as late.

ADDRESSES: Mail applications to: Early Head Start Local Research, Department of Health and Human Services, ACF/ Division of Discretionary Grants, 6th floor, 370 L'Enfant Promenade, SW, Washington, DC 20447, Mail Stop 6c-462, Attn: Application for Early Head Start Local Research.