

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

JOIN US FOR A BRIEFING ON PROMOTING CHILDREN'S WELL-BEING AND THE ROLE OF WORKPLACE FLEXIBILITY FOR PARENTS

September 25, 2006

Dear Colleague,

As Senators committed to the health and well being of our nation's children, we are pleased to invite you to attend a briefing on Promoting Children's Well-Being: The Role of Workplace Flexibility. Co-hosted by Workplace Flexibility 2010 and the Workforce and Family Program of the New America Foundation, the briefing will be held **Friday, September 29 from noon to 1:30 p.m. in room 902 of the Hart Senate Office Building**. Box lunches will be provided, please see the attached flyer to RSVP.

Current research reveals a profound mismatch between the needs and priorities of America's families and the way the workplace is currently structured. This briefing will bring together experts in the fields of parenting, child development, and workplace innovations who will discuss the implications of work-family tensions on children, with a particular focus on the role of fathers. The briefing will also highlight workplace flexibility as a response to these issues.

Experts speaking at the briefing will include Barbara Schneider, PhD, Michigan State University Distinguished Professor in the College of Education and Sociology; Shelley M. MacDermid, PhD, Purdue University, Professor of Child Development and Family Studies; David M. Almeida, Associate Professor, Pennsylvania State University, Department of Human Development and Family Studies; David Gray (co-Moderator), New America Foundation; and Jean Flatley McGuire, PhD (co-Moderator), Northeastern University, Bouve College of Health Sciences, Research Director for Workplace Flexibility 2010.

We hope a member of your staff will be able to participate. If you have any questions concerning this briefing, please call Lindsay Morris in Senator DeWine's office (x4-7900) or Catherine Graham in Senator Dodd's office (x4-2831)

Sincerely,



Mike DeWine
United States Senator



Christopher J. Dodd
United States Senator

Please join Workplace Flexibility 2010 and the New America Foundation for a briefing on

Promoting Children's Well-Being: The Role of Workplace Flexibility

Friday, September 29 • 12:00PM-1:30PM
Hart Senate Office Building • Room 902

Workplace Flexibility 2010 of Georgetown University Law Center and the Workforce and Family Program of the New America Foundation are bringing together a panel of experts in the fields of parenting, child development, and workplace innovations who will discuss the implications of work-family tensions on children, with a particular focus on the role of fathers. The briefing will also highlight how workplace flexibility is a necessary part of the response to these issues.

Workplace Flexibility 2010 is an Alfred P. Sloan Foundation Initiative based at Georgetown University Law Center. Its mission is to expand the substantive conversation around workplace flexibility and to bring a range of constituencies together to develop consensus-based policy solutions to advance workplace flexibility.

New America's Workforce and Family Program engages policy-makers, employers, and workers in hopes of developing and advancing ideas that can improve the lives of workers and strengthen families while enhancing the competitiveness of American businesses.

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- ▶ **Barbara Schneider, PhD**
John A. Hannah University Distinguished Professor in the College of Education and Sociology, Michigan State University
- ▶ **David Gray (Co-Moderator)**
Director, Workforce & Family Program, New America Foundation
- ▶ **Shelley M. MacDermid, PhD**
Professor of Child Development and Family Studies, Purdue University
- ▶ **Jean Flatley McGuire, PhD (Co-Moderator)**
Lorraine Snell Visiting Professor, Institute on Urban Health Research, Bouve College of Health Sciences, Northeastern University; Research Director for Workplace Flexibility 2010
- ▶ **David M. Almeida, PhD**
Associate Professor, Department of Human Development and Family Studies, Pennsylvania State University

Sponsored by Senator Mike DeWine (R-OH) and Senator Christopher Dodd (D-CT)

Box lunches will be provided.

RSVP

For more information or to RSVP, please contact Susie Valenzuela with Workplace Flexibility 2010 at svalenzuela@rabengroup.com.

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