FINAL AGENDA for the 2008 Research Conference  
on the National Survey of Family Growth  
Thursday and Friday, October 16-17, 2008  
NCHS Auditorium, Hyattsville, MD

Note: Presenting authors are listed in italics; see list of papers for full authorship of papers.

Day 1: Thursday, October 16, 2008

Chairperson: Kelleen Kaye, National Campaign

8:00  Registration and check-in

8:45  Opening Remarks:
Edward Sondik, Director, NCHS
Delton Atkinson, Deputy Director, Division of Vital Statistics, NCHS
Stephanie Ventura, Chief, Reproductive Statistics Branch, NCHS

9:15-11:15  Session 1: Contraception and Fertility


The Place Effect of Tubal Sterilization in the United States – Loretta Bass (University of Oklahoma)

Time trends and class differences in childless partnering – Caroline Sten Hartnett (University of Pennsylvania)

Discussant: Larry Finer, Guttmacher Institute

Open discussion

11:15-11:30  Summary of questionnaire revisions for Continuous Interviewing – Anjani Chandra (NSFG team, NCHS)

11:30-1:00  LUNCH
1:00-3:00  **Session 2: Cohabitation and Non-marital Fertility**

Cohabitation, Age at Union Formation, and Divorce – Arielle Kuperberg (University of Pennsylvania)

Union transitions among women with cohabiting births – Jennifer Manlove (Child Trends)


The Reproductive Context of Cohabitation in the United States: Historical Change and Variation in Contraceptive Use – Megan Sweeney (UCLA)

Discussant: Tim Heaton, Brigham Young University
Open discussion

3:00-3:15  **BREAK**

3:15-4:45  **Session 3: Men and Fatherhood**

Fatherhood Desires and Sexual Orientation: A National Portrait of Gay, Bisexual, and Other Childless Men in the United States – William Jeffries (University of Florida)

Dads Who Do Diapers: Factors that Impact Care of Young Children by Fathers – Akiko Yoshida (University of Oklahoma)

Self-assessment of fatherhood: Who are good fathers? – Megumi Omori (Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania)

Discussant: Elizabeth Peters, Cornell University
Open discussion

4:45  Adjourn

**Day 2: Friday, October 17, 2008**

Chairperson: Phil Morgan, Duke University

8:30-9:00  **Registration and Check-in**

9:00-9:35  **Special presentation**: An Update on Continuous Interviewing in the NSFG – Bob Groves and Nicole Kirgis (Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan)
9:35-11:30 Session 4: Teens and Reproductive Health Services

U.S. Women's Reliance on Publicly Funded Family Planning Clinics as Their Place of Regular Medical Care – Jennifer Frost (Guttmacher Institute)

Trends and determinants of reproductive health service use among young women in the United States – Julia Potter (University of Massachusetts Medical School)

Community-Level Influences on Young Men's Sexual and Reproductive Health Behaviors: 1988 to 2002 – Laura Lindberg (Guttmacher Institute)

Environmental uncertainty and reproductive patterns in contemporary US populations – Anne Grossestreuer (University of Pennsylvania)

Discussant: Susan Newcomer, NICHD
Open discussion

11:30-1:00 LUNCH

1:00-2:55 Session 5: Marriage and Cohabitation

With This Ring, I Thee Cohabit: Commitment-Based Predictors of Cohabiters' Pre-Cohabitation Engagement – Kristina Dzara (Southern Illinois University - Carbondale)

Serial Cohabitation: The Long and Winding Road to Marriage – Jessica Cohen (Bowling Green State University)

Broken Boundaries or Broken Marriages? Racial Intermarriage and Divorce in the United States – Vincent Fu (University of Utah)

With (or Without) this Ring: Race, Ethnic, and Nativity Differentials in the Demographic Significance of Cohabitation in Women's Lives – Kate Choi (UCLA)

Discussant: R. Kelly Raley, University of Texas
Open discussion

2:55-3:20 Questions (from Question Cards) & Open Discussion

3:20-3:30 Final remarks and Adjourn