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To: World Health Organization

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Health Imperative

From: Consumers United for Evidence-based Healthcare Steering Committee

Re: WHO Statement on Public Disclosure of Clinical Trial Results

William Vaughan
National Committee
to Preserve Social
Security and Medicare

On behalf of Consumers United for Evidence-based Healthcare, we support the World Health Organization's initiative to emphasize the need for the registration and subsequent public disclosure of clinical trial results.

Caitlin Morris
Families USA

Consumers United for Evidence-based Healthcare (CUE) is a large and growing coalition of health consumer organizations that educates and empowers patients in evidence-based healthcare. CUE represents nearly 40 organizations covering diverse patient and consumer populations and health issues. CUE strives to be independent of health industry interests by limiting membership. More information about CUE can be found at <http://us.cochrane.org/CUE>.

Helen Haskell
Mothers Against
Medical Error

We strongly support the AllTrials program and endorse their October statement to WHO on behalf of the WHO initiative. We particularly support AllTrials' position to improve on the WHO statement by requiring the full reporting in standardized formats of past trials (where feasible) and future trials within twelve months of their completion.

Barbara Warren
National Coalition for
LGBT Health

Rebecca Burkholder
National Consumers
League

Consumers in the United States and throughout the world cannot have access to basic and newly developing scientific evidence on the safety and efficacy of medical products if the results of clinical trials are hidden, delayed, or reported in a biased or inaccurate manner.

Paul Brown
National Center for
Health Research

By calling for disclosure of as many past trials as possible, and the timely reporting of new trials, WHO will help advance the cause of honest science and help fulfill its mission of promoting world health.

Sincerely,

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