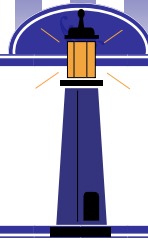


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Dear PHAROS Participants and Families,

Welcome to our 4th edition of the PHAROS Spotlight newsletter. We extend our appreciation to you for your continued dedication to this important study of persons at risk for HD. In this new year we are seeking additional funding from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to continue PHAROS through 2010, and we hope we can count on you to continue your participation through that time. The value of participation becomes more important with time as we acquire more data that will help us design clinical trials in unaffected individuals who may or may not carry the HD gene.

The investigator and coordinator at your research site are prepared to answer any questions you may have about the continuation of PHAROS and its research procedures. We look forward to a year of new discoveries.

Sincerely,

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World Congress on Huntington's Disease 2005

The 2nd meeting of the World Congress on Huntington's Disease, together with the International Huntington Association, took place in Manchester, England on September 10-14, 2005. Over 400 attendees from all over the world were present to hear about the latest advances in Huntington's Disease. Presentations varied including models of drosophila (fruit flies), developing pre-symptomatic trials, and discussions regarding public policy. PHAROS presentations were given on current research findings. Kim Quaid, PhD presented two posters on the life events of at-risk's persons. One poster described the qualitative interviews (personal conversations) with a subset of PHAROS participants. The other described attitudes towards genetic testing for Huntington's

Disease in PHAROS participants. Elise Kayson, MS, RNC gave a platform presentation to the group on monitoring the safety and well being of the PHAROS cohort. This talk was a report of the PHAROS baseline data on depression and suicide. The next World Congress meeting is scheduled for September 8-12, 2007 in Dresden, Germany. Visit www.worldcongress-hd.net for additional details.



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