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From: FAIR Foundation [mailto:fair@dc.rr.com]
Sent: Thursday, May 27, 2010 11:48 AM
To: 'hollyrod@hollyrod.com' **Subject:** Insufficient gov't research funding for autism

Dear Mrs. Robinson Peete, (note underlined links to facts)

On behalf of our 26-member Board of Directors of surgeons, medical directors and patient advocates our national newsletter has profiled autism in the past and brought to light the grossly inadequate level of bio-medical research funding by our government (NIH = National Institutes of Health) for this malady—only \$143 million or \$95 per patient compared to the amounts for other diseases in this \$143 link and the chart below.

We invite you to join with us—we are all volunteers—as a spokesperson for our organization to pressure the NIH to allocate funds fairly and equitably for autism and without favoritism for any diseases such as HIV/AIDS.

I would also like to add that I fear that millions of patients suffering from cancer and diabetes may have been angered by your misstatement on “The Celebrity Apprentice” that autism affects more than those diseases combined with HIV, and that those afflicted with cancer and diabetes may then be averse to contributing to your cause. For future reference, it is stated at emedicine health that there are “as many as 1.5 million” with autism in this country and although that exceeds the number with HIV/AIDS (1.05 million) it is dwarfed by the estimates of 23 million with diabetes and 11 million who have cancer, indeed, 1.5 million more are diagnosed with cancer every year.

Thank you, in advance, for our request to join with us in pressuring the NIH to fund autism fairly, and congratulations on your deserved success on the “The Celebrity Apprentice.” We will be including information on your success in our next national newsletter with a link to your website.

Sincerely yours,

Richard

Dr. Richard Darling, DDS: National Public Citizen of the Year (NASW)
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Disease	2011 NIH Research \$	Deaths Per Disease	\$ Per Patient Death	\$ Per Patient
COPD	101 Million	126,128	811	7
Hepatitis C	102 Million	12,000	8,500	23
Cardiovascular	2.1 Billion	864,280	2,429	26
Hepatitis B	54 Million	5,000	10,800	43
Diabetes	1 Billion	72,449	13,803	42
Alzheimer's	480 Million	71,696	6,626	92
Parkinson's	171 Million	19,566	8,739	171
Prostate Cancer	329 Million	28,372	11,595	219
HIV/AIDS	3.2 Billion	14,110	225,656	3,032
All Cancers	6 Billion	559,888	10,716	4,152
Breast Cancer	765 Million	41,210	18,563	4,238
West Nile Virus	41 Million	28	1,464,285	64,364