

# BIOBEHAVIORAL SYSTEMS

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<http://www.violence.de>

[http://tffuture.org/bonding/dvd\\_archive/overview](http://tffuture.org/bonding/dvd_archive/overview)

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## **Thomas R. Insel, MD**

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Dear Dr. Insel,

Having received no response from you concerning my letter of 25 October 2014 that expressed my concerns of the absence of the *National Institutes of Child Health and Human Development* with its history of significant scientific breakthroughs on early life experiences that shape the developing brain and behavior in your Conference *Shaping the Developing Brain: Prenatal through Early Childhood*, (November 11 – 13, 2014) where I requested that the sponsors and participants be informed of this history, I wish to alert you to my **BLOG** *Motherless Mothers, Violence & Brain* disorders that reviews NICHD history which you may bring to the attention of the participants of your Conference. <https://tffuture.org/blog/1181/motherless-mothers-violence-brain-disorders>

I specifically requested that you show two short video clips that dramatize some of the breakthroughs of NICHD supported research that are not readily available elsewhere.

<https://vimeo.com/69200952> -9 Min

<https://vimeo.com/71761209> -2 Min

**A current article in Science**, V346,: 547-548 31 October 2014) *Adolescent mental health-Opportunity and obligation* that claims “Mental illnesses that

emerge before adulthood impose a ten-fold higher cost than those that emerge later in life” attest to the importance of the early years.

Tragically, *Adolescent mental health* does not recognize that **Mental Health Begins before Birth**. You have an opportunity to correct this.

<http://ttfuture.org/blog/1181/prematurity-infant-mortality-and-utero-sensory-deprivation-aberrant-brain>

Sincerely,

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