

Zeldin honored with NICHD Partnership Award

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NIEHS Scientific Director Darryl Zeldin, M.D., received a Partnership Award Dec. 3 from the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD).

Presented by NICHD Director Alan Guttmacher, M.D., during a ceremony at the Lipsett Amphitheater on the National Institutes of Health (NIH) campus in Bethesda, Maryland, the award is a tribute to Zeldin's willingness to reach across NIH to help colleagues at other institutes and centers.

Over the past year, Zeldin provided support as NICHD reorganized its Intramural Research Program (IRP) under the direction of NICHD Scientific Director Constantine Stratakis, M.D., D.Med.Sc.

"Dr. Zeldin shared his experience with how staff all worked together at NIEHS to implement needed changes," Stratakis said. "His advice was essential in how we moved along with our own changes and reorganization in response to a Blue Ribbon Panel review of our own program."

According to Stratakis, Zeldin helped NICHD leaders respond more quickly and efficiently to the challenges of reorganization. "There are many levels of what is going on at NICHD IRP where Dr. Zeldin contributed with advice and by sharing his experiences. But, as just one example of his help, the metrics presented by him became the basis for a system proposed by NICHD investigators for assessing scientific productivity," Stratakis said.



During a reception at the NIH Clinical Center following the award ceremony, Zeldin joined NICHD colleagues for refreshments. Shown from left are Stratakis, Zeldin, NICHD Deputy Director Catherine Spong, M.D., and Guttmacher. (Photo courtesy of NICHD)

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