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Background

The policy was developed by a Task Force on Scientific Integrity and Openness, originally appointed by Governing Council in the Spring of 2017. The Task Force was charged with exploring the range of issues related to integrity policies and practices with a focus on the unique needs and characteristics of the child development research community. The Task Force was initially chaired by Lisa Gennetian, subsequently by Rick Gilmore, and included Pamela Cole, Catherine Tamis-LeMonda, Carol Worthman, Judith Smetana, Suman Verma, and Marcel van Aken.

The Policy

[The new policy](#) articulates the importance of scientific integrity, transparency, and openness as essential for the conduct of research and its application to practice and policy. It, along with the guidelines for authors, provides clear direction to SRCD members and authors about practices that embrace these values and, provides resources for achieving them.

We are interested in your feedback and answering questions about the new policy. There is a session dedicated solely to this purpose at the upcoming biennial meeting at which the task force will discuss the new policies and give the community an opportunity to weigh in:

- **Title: [What SRCD is Doing to Address Open Science - Conversation Hour](#)**
- **Date and Time: Friday, March 22, 2019, 10:00 am to 11:30 am**
- **Location: Baltimore Convention Center, Level 3, Room 317**

SRCD's Director of Science, Chuck Kalish, (ckalish@srcd.org), is organizing the implementation of these policies. Please watch for additional opportunities for comment and discussion of these important issues.

More information:

- [Read the full policy](#)
- [Review the author guidelines](#)