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RE: 60 day public comment period on phthalates.

I read the article in Science News of Sept. 2, 2000 - page 152-154 on phthalates with much interest. My nephew was born with pyloric stenosis and an inguinal hernia which made it necessary for him to have intravenous feeding and blood transfusions during surgery. Now an adult desiring marriage and children he has only one incompletely developed testicle.

His sterility fits the pattern described in this article.

For him DEHP was not just a risk, it was a life long disaster. Please prevent this from happening to others.

Sincerely,

Beverly Smith