Straub Bengal Health

Non-Communicable Diseases Research Project

**Your Assignment:** You have been tasked by the Center for Disease Control to create a research paper to present to the United States Joint Session of Congress on your chosen Non-Communicable Disease.

**Background:** There are many different types of diseases that one can encounter throughout a lifetime. Some, are referred to as communicable diseases, or ones that are spread from one living organism to another or through the environment. These diseases are contagious are detected by the pathogen present at the time. In other cases, a disease is referred to as non-communicable. When a disease is non-communicable, it is not spread from person to person or through the environment and a person is born with that disease. These diseases are referred to as chronic diseases by the World Health Organization and are a serious and major health problem.

**Plan:** We will be spending the next 3 days completing this project, giving you ample opportunity to complete all requirements of this assignment. As we are nearing the end of the semester, you will need to make sure that you utilize your time effectively and get the project turned in on time. Use the following timeline to help manage your time appropriately:

***Day 1- January 8***: Introduce assignment, and begin developing tasks. Your goal today is to have all research completed, with citations, and begin an outline of your paper.

***Day 2- January 9***: Work on writing your paper with your rough draft mostly done by the end of the period.

***Day 3- January 10***: Finish rough draft and put finishing touches on the paper with a final draft ready to submit before the end of class. Be sure to have your final copy edited before it is turned in.

**Requirements:** There are multiple parts to this assignment that you will need to be sure are completed and turned in on time. This is project has a high point value, so it is imperative that you work efficiently to ensure everything is the best quality you can turn in.

❏ Answer research questions completely and in the correct format as instructed

❏ Rough draft completed and peer edited

❏ Final draft completed and turned in

**Research Questions:** Please create a Google Document or OneDrive document to answer these questions. Once the document is created, share it with Mr. Straub at cstraubviper@gmail.com for Google and cstraub@helenaschools.org for OneDrive. You do not need to re-write the question, just number them correctly. Please name the document as follows: 1 Last name, First name and Partner 2 Last name, First name\_QuestionRoughTopic

Ex: Ronaldo, Christiano\_QuestionRoughAutism

The questions below need to be answered in complete sentences and you must give credit to your sources. Please use MLA format for citing.

*Example for an Academic Journal in an online database*: Hughes, Jane C., Elizabeth V. Brestan, and Linda Anne Valle. "Problem-Solving Interactions between Mothers and Children." *Child and Family Behavior Therapy* 26.1 (2004): 1-16. *PsycINFO*. Web. 12 Nov. 2006.

1. What is the non-communicable disease that you are researching? Give a clear description of the disease so that someone who knows nothing about this disease will feel as if they have a good grasp on what the disease is.

2. What are possible warning signs and symptoms of the disease? Are they different for people in certain age groups? Are they different for people in different genders?

3. Is there a link between certain environmental factors and people contracting this disease?

4. What causes this disease?

5. How was this disease discovered and who is credited with the discovery? Has it mutated or changed over the years? If so, how?

6. What are the current attempts to eradicate this disease? Is it different in different areas of the world? If so, where? What is different?

7. What are all possible medication options for this disease?

**Outline:** The below outline offers an idea of how to structure your paper. Remember with your thesis that you are giving an insight as to what you will be telling us in your paper.

* 1. I. Introduction a. Background Information
  2. b. Thesis (what are you going to tell me in your paper about this disease?)
  3. II. First point a. Hook
  4. b. Clear information pertaining to the topic (in-text citations needed)
  5. III. Second point a. Hook
  6. b. Clear information pertaining to the topic (in-text citations needed)
  7. IV. Conclusion

a. Reiterate argument

b. Should fully answer your research question

**Rough Draft:** Once you have completed the research questions and outlines, I would like you to begin a new Google Document for your actual paper. You will need to utilize MLA format for your paper, including citations and a Works Cited at the end. If you fail to cite your work in the paper properly, we will follow the student handbook in terms of plagiarism. Once you have created this, again share it with Mr. Straub at cstraubviper@gmail.com or cstraub@helenaschools.org. Please name your document as follows: Lastname, Firstname\_FinalPaperTopic

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Utilize the outline information to create your rough draft.

Once you have completed all of this. go back through, read your paper and ensure you have clearly answered all questions and made any changes needed to the document. When you have completed all steps for the rough draft, polish your paper and make sure it is the best product you can turn in. The date of last edit on this paper can be no later than **Wednesday, January 10, 2018.**