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Dear Dr. Lambert:

Please find enclosed a manuscript entitled “Prevalence and Impact of Trauma in a Diverse Head Start Sample,” which we are submitting to the *NHSA Dialog.* We confirm that this manuscript has not been published elsewhere and is not under consideration by another journal. A poster representing a subset of the data analyzed in this paper was presented at the National Association for School Psychologists (NASP) Annual Convention in Seattle, Washington on February 14, 2013. The treatment of human subjects used in this study was in accordance with ethical standards established by the Michigan State University Institutional Review Board.

Through interviewing primary caregivers of children enrolled in a four- county Head Start preschool program, this study investigated the prevalence, nature, and impact of traumatic events in the lives of young, at-risk children. The importance of early intervention is discussed. This paper should be of interest to readers interested in the well-being of low-income children and Head Start educators and mental health staff interested in working with children who have experienced trauma.

Thank you for your consideration of our work. Both authors have approved the manuscript and agree with its submission to the *NHSA Dialog*. Please address correspondence concerning this manuscript to the first author (saintgil@msu.edu).

Sincerely,

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