Community Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)
For the Cancer Cluster Investigation
Frederick County Health Department Entrance "C"
April 11, 2012

TAC Purpose: a). To provide assistance in determining what questions should be examined regarding cancer numbers – geographic region, time period, types of cancers, etc. and then and **b)**. To identify options for how to answer the question(s)/hypothesis(es).
Working Hypothesis: There is an increased rate of cancers (gather data on all, possibly narrow down later based on confirmed exposures) within a ¼ mile radius around Ft. Detrick (Area A and B).

I. Introductions
B. Brookmyer, R. Clark, R. Watkins, J. Hahn, G. Rudy

II. Review of Notes from February Meeting
Will review when more attendees are present

III. Update on Ed Kruse's Research Efforts
University of Maryland Institutional Review Board (IRB) has not issued a decision yet on study design.

IV. Update from Members on Other Data Collection Efforts
a. School-linked case finding–Jen to request names of students enrolled in all grades in Waverly ES, Yellow Springs ES, and Walkersville ES for the years 1969, 1972, 1975, 1978, and 1981.
b. KRF – No update available
c. Maryland Cancer Registry Data Analysis – No update available yet

V. Sharing of Other information Relevant to Member Interests
a. Containment Laboratory Community Advisory Committee – There was a meeting held last night. It was also the subject of a FNP article today.
b. Story Collection – No update available from Johns Hopkins after IRB submission.
c. KRF – No update available.
d. Fort Detrick RAB – Next meeting to be held next week.

VI. Next Meeting --- To be scheduled based upon Ed's and other members' availability