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## **Outline:**

- **Question to Ferdinand**
- **Nuclear Physics Day at DC**
- **AUM 2017 meeting**
- **Quality of LIFE**

# Questions to Ferdinand

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- 1.) A general description of the 20 GeV acceleration plan for eRHIC**
- 2.) Progress on achieving that plan – successes and failures**
- 3.) R&D projects, how are things progressing with the Cornell tests**
- 4.) How to retire eRHIC risks (as identified in the Long Range Plan)**
- 5.) How best to compete with JLAB for the eRHIC siting decision**
- 6.) How can we help? (we, the user community)**

# Nuclear Physics Day in May

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**From Michael Thoennessen: likely on May 15 or May 22.  
We prefer May 22<sup>nd</sup>.**

**Waiting for confirmation**

# AUM 2017 (Jim, Peter)

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**Dates for 2017 RHIC and AGS Users Meeting very soon.  
(dates decided: June 20-23)**

**Theme, program, poster etc?**

**Guest house water quality: yellow and horrible. From a guest of nuclear theory group at BNL, reported by Raju Venugopalan.**

**CDC update:**

**Had a meeting with Amy Nunziata and Bob Lincoln. Expect to have a detailed update this Feb: situation on whether there will be a company running daycare on site. Probably we will have more discussion in Feb./Mar. meeting. BSA will subsidize Bright Horizon until Apr. 2017.**

**Clarification: DOE never does subsidy to the day care. The onsite office on board with HR activity such as seeking for approval from DOE in terms of providing benefits to employees with kids onsite**

# Diversity

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**From Kathy:**

**Diversity Office offer of one year of support, and requirement that female candidates for post docs must be US citizens - I checked with Shirley Kendall and she said this is a requirement of the program: “This came about many years ago because the rate of U.S. born Post Docs hired at BNL was considerably less than the rate of hire for foreign national Post Docs. This is still what the data indicates today.”**

**This does not help nuclear physics at all .**

## Next few Meetings

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**Feb 17, 2017**

**March 10, 2017**

**April 14 (guest: Berndt Mueller)**