

Dear Advisory Board,

After being sick for over 23 years and losing the prime of my life, I'm STILL SICK!  
And I'm sick of the lack of progress in finding help for us. It truly should be an embarrassment to HHS that the Whittimore family, putting up their own money, were the ones who made the most significant break through in research to date. Where the hell was the CDC?

So I'm calling on the Advisory Board to change the leadership of the CDC research team to someone who knows a lot and gives a damn. And to fight for dramatically increased funding for research on Chronic Fatigue Syndrome and Fibromyalgia.

For years, we haven't been taken seriously. Maybe now that there is a possibility we're contagious and connected to cancer, someone will care enough to make the difference for us.

Thank you for your consideration of my ideas.

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