AGENDA

DAY 1, June 28

7:15 a.m. Meet in hotel lobby to board shuttle to Ochsner

8:00 a.m. Continental Breakfast

8:45 a.m. Welcome and Introductions
Mark S. Frankel (AAAS), Kenneth J. Gaines, Ochsner Medical Center, and Barbara Rich (Dana Foundation)

9:00 a.m. Neuroanatomy, Neuroscience Methods and Technology
Thos Cochrane, Harvard University, will provide an overview of how the brain works and the technologies and methods used in brain research and what they can tell us.

10:30 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. The Neuroscience of Dementia
Mary Ganguli, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center, will describe the neurological bases for the dementias

12:00 p.m. Lunch

1:15 p.m. Coma and the Vegetative and Minimally Conscious States
Dan Larriviere, Ochsner Medical Center, will describe the physiology of impaired states of consciousness and discuss the ethical and legal issues regarding life sustaining interventions.

2:30 p.m. The Neuroscience of Pain
Larry Driver, M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, will focus on what neuroscience research can contribute to developing an objective basis for assessing pain.

3:45 p.m. Break

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4:00 p.m.  The Neuroscience of Violence  
Monte Buchsbaum, University of California, San Diego, will discuss the methods of psychiatric diagnoses of violent offenders and what they might contribute to legal determinations.

5:15 p.m.  Adjourn for the day.

6:45 p.m.  Meet in hotel lobby to walk to dinner

7:00 p.m.  Group Dinner at GW Fins Restaurant

DAY 2, June 29

7:45 a.m.  Meet in hotel lobby to board shuttle to Ochsner

8:30 a.m.  Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m.  The Neuroscience of Substance Dependence  
Charles O’Brien, University of Pennsylvania, will discuss the neurobiological bases of drug dependence.

10:15 a.m.  Break

10:30 a.m.  The Neuroscience of Memory and Deception  
Craig Stark, University of California, Irvine, will discuss the formation of memory and whether it may be possible to distinguish “true” memories from “false” ones and whether deception can be detected using imaging technology.

11:45 a.m.  Lunch

1:00 p.m.  Adolescent Brain  
Abigail Baird, Vassar College, will focus on how the brain develops and the ways in which the adolescent brain differs from the adult brain.

2:15 p.m.  Break

2:30 p.m.  The Neuroscience of Psychotic Disorders  
Elaine Walker, Emory University, will discuss the neurological bases of psychotic disorders.

3:45 p.m.  Closing Comments

4:00 p.m.  Adjourn