PEATT Pilot Project
PFAS TESTING
in the
Warrington, Warminster, Horsham areas
Pennsylvania Department of Health

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• CDC/ATSDR has developed a toolkit to conduct biomonitoring for PFAS
• Pennsylvania was chosen for the pilot program to evaluate the toolkit
• Feedback from this project-
  ▪ Used to improve the toolkit
  ▪ Will support a larger, national study
Project Information

• We are testing residents exposed through drinking water
• We can only test 500 people
• People must have lived in affected area prior to July 1, 2016
Map of Study Area (Public Water Service Area)
Households selected for the project
Project information

• Why not test EVERYONE in the community?
  ▪ Expensive tests
  ▪ Can only do 500
  ▪ We need a sample of respondents representing the entire community
  ▪ This gives a “snapshot” of the community

• Why not accept volunteers?
  ▪ Likely to bias the study findings
Progress so far...

- As of today...
- 154 households returned forms (out of 350)
- 355 interested participants
  - 292 adults
  - 63 children
  - 3 ineligible
  - 9 not interested
Progress so far...

- Second reminders sent to households (233)
  - Mailed on May 18th
  - Returned by May 24th
- Made random selection of additional households
  - 250 Letters sent May 29th
Clinics

- Bucks County Health Department
- Started clinic appointments today
- Held on Wednesday afternoons
  - Noon-4:00pm
  - Call for appointment (215)-345-3344
  - You MUST have your completed consent form and questionnaire returned to PADOH
Clinics

- Willow Grove Health Center (Montgomery Co)
- Appointments starting tomorrow May 31\textsuperscript{st}
- Hours by appointment only
- (610)-278-5117 Ext. 6769
 Clinics

• What to do
  ▪ Wear loose, comfortable clothing
  ▪ Drink water before appointment to be well-hydrated
  ▪ No need to fast
Laboratory Analysis

- Serum samples will be analyzed by the New York State Public Health Department Laboratory
- Results will be communicated to PADOH
Laboratory Analysis

- The department will communicate the results to the individuals by mail.
- The department will help to interpret the results and compare them to the community and to the nation.
DOH Website

- [www.health.pa.gov/My%20Health/Environmental%20Health/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.health.pa.gov/My%20Health/Environmental%20Health/Pages/default.aspx)

- [PFAS Exposure Assessment Technical Tools Pilot Program](http://www.health.pa.gov/My%20Health/Environmental%20Health/Pages/default.aspx)
- [Cancer Data Review (1985-2013)](http://www.health.pa.gov/My%20Health/Environmental%20Health/Pages/default.aspx)
- [Addendum 1 to Cancer Data Review (1985-2013)](http://www.health.pa.gov/My%20Health/Environmental%20Health/Pages/default.aspx)
- [Addendum 2 to Cancer Data Review](http://www.health.pa.gov/My%20Health/Environmental%20Health/Pages/default.aspx)
- [Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Fact Sheet](http://www.health.pa.gov/My%20Health/Environmental%20Health/Pages/default.aspx)
- [Family Tree of perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS)](http://www.health.pa.gov/My%20Health/Environmental%20Health/Pages/default.aspx)
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