



New York State Multi-Site PFAS Health Study

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- Conducted by the University at Albany School of Public Health and the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH)
- Funded by the Agency for Toxic Substances & Disease Registry (ATSDR), a division of the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC)


Posters



**The Multi-site
PFAS Health
Study is in town**

Check your mail for an invitation

Learn more: www.albany.edu/sph/pfas



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Community Advisory Panel

Emily Marpe, Loreen Hackett, Kathy and Ira Share

Shared community input and communication ideas

Reviewed communication materials, website, social media ideas

We will organizing events in the coming months to inform community members, answer questions

- Hoosick Falls – 140 Main Street

Clinic Location



Timeline

- Hoosick Area
 - Soft Launch: January, 2022
 - Launch: February, 2022

Invitation Flyer



You are invited to sign up for the

Multi-site PFAS Health Study

CALL TO SIGN UP
(833) 732-7697 (toll free)

Participants visit a health clinic to:



Collect and test blood and urine samples and take body measurements.



Complete adult and child health assessments and exposure histories.



Get a gift card for each part of the study they complete.

Eligible adults and children are being asked to complete a health clinic visit and to provide a blood and urine sample to learn more about chemicals such as per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) and health. This effort is part of a national study. All personal information collected as part of this study will be kept private and secure.

Please consider taking part to get your free, confidential test results and gift cards as a thank you for your participation.

text: 518-898-0276, or
email: PFAS@albany.edu
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Reminders

We still want to hear from you.



Learn More
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You were invited to sign up for the Multi-site PFAS Health Study. Please don't miss your chance to participate.

Adults and families from your community were randomly invited to have a health clinic visit and provide a blood and urine sample to learn more about chemicals in your body and health. This effort is part of a national study. Please consider taking part to get your free, confidential test results and up to \$75 in gift cards.

Interested?

Follow your invitation packet instructions
or call 1-833-732-7697,
text: 518-898-0276, or
email: PFAS@albany.edu

What Does the Study Involve?

- Adults and children in Newburgh and Hoosick Falls will be invited to participate if they meet eligibility requirements.
- We plan to enroll 1000 adults and 300 children.
- If eligible, adults and children will attend a clinic visit. They will give a blood sample, a urine sample, and answer a health questionnaire.
- Children will also complete cognitive and behavioral screenings (on a return visit).
- All participants will receive a results report and reimbursement for each portion of the clinic visit they complete.

Recruitment

- Potential participants will be asked to contact our study staff and complete an eligibility screen
- Invitation letters will be in English, Spanish and Haitian Creole in Newburgh, and Hoosick Falls, if needed
 - We will ask for the preferred language during the eligibility screening and send future materials in the preferred language.
- To finalize enrollment and schedule a clinic visit, call our toll free number (833) 732-7697
- Staff will also follow-up with those who have received invitations

Clinic Visit Exit

- In appreciation for their time, participants will receive at the end of the clinic visit:
 - \$25 gift card for blood pressure, and blood and urine sample collection
 - \$25 gift card for questionnaire completion
 - \$25 gift card for child/parent completion of the neurobehavioral assessment

Who is Eligible - Adults?

- An adult aged 18 years or older who
 - Lived in Newburgh or the Hoosick Falls area and used drinking water with documented PFAS contamination between 2005 and March 2016 in the Hoosick Falls area OR between 2005 and May 2016 in the City of Newburgh
 - Never worked as a firefighter
 - Never trained as a firefighter using AFFF foam
 - Never worked at an industrial facility that used PFAS chemicals in the manufacturing process

Who is Eligible - Children?

- A child aged 4 through 17 years who has parent or guardian's permission and
 - Lived in Newburgh or Hoosick Falls and used drinking water with documented PFAS contamination between 2005 and March 2016 in the Hoosick Falls area OR between 2005 and May 2016 in the City of Newburgh
 - Was born to and/or breastfed by a mother who meets the adult eligibility criteria

Clinic Appointments

- Once an appointment is scheduled, we will mail a clinic appointment packet.
- The packet will include:
 - Appointment Reminder Card
 - Informed Consent materials
 - In addition to the main study, the NY Site will ask for consent to collect an additional blood sample and to receive access to stored blood samples from the DOH biomonitoring program
 - Study Fact Sheet
 - Appointment Prep Infographic
 - Urine collection supplies and instructions

Clinic Visit Activities

- For Adults, the clinic visit will last approximately 1.5 hours, including the following:
 - Sign In and review of consent forms
 - Urine sample drop off
 - Height and weight measurements
 - Blood pressure check
 - Blood sample collection
 - Questionnaire completion, including residential, work, and medical history.
- For Children, will also complete a neurobehavioral assessment, lasting 1.5 to 2 hours. This will be scheduled on a different day. It will include:
 - Memory Games
 - Sorting items
 - Solving Puzzles
- We will also ask for consent to abstract medical and school records
- We will also ask for consents to measure for blood lead and metals and biomonitoring results

Clinic Results

- We will send samples to a lab to analyze for PFAS and metals levels and health measures.
- We will mail you a lab report with your blood results, including the following for both adults and kids.
 - Cholesterol
 - Thyroid hormones and sex hormones (in children)
 - Kidney function
 - Immune System
 - Liver enzymes
 - Lead, mercury, manganese and cadmium levels (NY Site Only)
- The report will also include urine analysis, including:
 - Kidney function
- Participants are welcome to share this report with their primary care physician

Sites Included in the Study

- Newburgh and Hoosick Falls, New York
- Communities near UC Irvine Medical Center, California
- El Paso County, Colorado
- Hyannis and Ayer, Massachusetts
- Parchment/Cooper Township and North Kent County, Michigan
- Gloucester County, New Jersey
- Montgomery and Bucks Counties, Pennsylvania

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