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Weekly Pease Perfluorochemical (PFC) Testing Program Update

Community Engagement:

- Information about PFCs and the NH Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) blood testing program, including past presentations, can be found on the DHHS website at <http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/investigation-pease.htm>.

Testing & Reporting:

- The PFC blood testing program registration and blood draw phase has ended.
- 300 of the blood samples from the second round of testing have been sent to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention lab for analysis.
- DHHS is currently establishing agreements with additional labs to conduct PFC blood testing on the remaining submitted blood samples in order to provide test results in a reasonable amount of time.
- We will keep the community updated as we have more information of when we expect to begin receiving test results.
- DHHS will issue a final report on the testing program once all the test results have come back and been analyzed.

Noteworthy Events and Meetings:

- The Community Advisory Board (CAB) is holding its next meeting on Tuesday, November 3rd at 8:00 am at the City of Portsmouth Municipal Complex, Conference Room A.
- For information about the CAB and other public meetings, please visit the City of Portsmouth website at: <http://cityofportsmouth.com/CommunityAdvisoryBoardHavenWell.html>.
- DHHS is continuing to meet routinely with the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR), Air Force, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), NH Department of Environmental Services (DES), and Northern New England Poison Center to discuss updates and future plans.
- Anyone with questions can call the DHHS Public Inquiry line at 603-271-9461 to leave a message.