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Weekly Pease Perfluorochemical (PFC) Testing Program Update

There are no updates since last week's report.

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:

- 1,104 individuals had their blood drawn in the second round of testing.
 - The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) laboratory is testing the first 300 blood samples from this second round.
 - 700 blood samples have also been shipped to AXYS Analytical Services.
 - The remaining 107 blood samples were sent to the California State biomonitoring laboratory.
- Individual result reports will be created and mailed to participants as the results are received.
 - We anticipate beginning to receive and mail test results from AXYS and CDC laboratories in January.
 - All test results from the CDC should be mailed out by February.
 - Test results from AXYS will be mailed in batches as they are received by DHHS; we anticipate that all test results from AXYS will be mailed to participants by March 2016.
 - The results of the final 107 samples from the California laboratory should be reported back to participants by the beginning of April 2016.
- Once all test results from this second round of testing have been sent to participating individuals, DHHS will issue a final report on the testing program and hold a community meeting to discuss the final report and the testing program as a whole.
- For individuals who missed the DHHS PFC blood testing program but would still like to know their blood PFC levels, DHHS has identified two laboratories that offer testing to individuals through their primary care providers. Information about their testing process, panel of PFCs tested, and pricing can be obtained by contacting the laboratory directly:
 - Vista Analytical Laboratory (phone: 916-673-1520, website: www.vista-analytical.com): offers testing for a panel of PFCs, including PFOA, PFOS, PFHxS, and PFNA.
 - NMS Laboratory (phone: 866-522-2206, website: <http://www.nmslabs.com>): offers testing for PFOA.

Noteworthy Events and Meetings:

- The Community Advisory Board (CAB) has issued its final report to conclude their work for 2015. To read the report and for information about the CAB, please visit the City of Portsmouth website at: <http://cityofportsmouth.com/CommunityAdvisoryBoardHavenWell.html>