



PFAS Health Study: August, 2019 CRP Progress Report

Study update

Component 2 and 3 – Blood Serum Study and Cross-Sectional Survey

- Invitations to participate in a pilot survey were sent to 100 randomly selected participants of the Voluntary Blood Testing Program in early August, and reminder letters, with enclosed paper versions of the survey, were sent 2 weeks later.

Component 4 – Data Linkage Study

- An ethics application was lodged with the NSW Population and Health Services Research Ethics Committee (HREC).
- An ethics application was lodged with and approved by the Australian National University HREC.
- The ethics application to the Aboriginal Health and Medical Research Council of NSW HREC was approved.
- The ethics application to the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare Ethics Committee was approved.

Administration

Conferences/Meetings/Presentations

- Martyn Kirk, Miranda Harris and Kayla Smurthwaite held a teleconference with staff from the NT PHN to discuss the study.
- Rosemary Korda and Hsei-Di Law met with Dr Deborah Randall from the Kolling Institute to discuss a collaboration on the Data Linkage Study. Dr Randall will provide expert advice on perinatal outcomes.
- Miranda Harris provided a study update to the Environmental Health Standing Committee enHealth meeting.
- Martyn Kirk and Kayla Smurthwaite attended the International Society for Environmental Epidemiology in the Netherlands, they made contact with several research groups working in the same area.

Other

- The new study Facebook page was published on 6 August.