

# Participant Consent Form

## Possible Unintended Consequences

This document provides some examples of things that you might experience by participating in the Four Corners States Biomonitoring Consortium studies. These examples are not all of the possibilities. If your experiences are different from those listed here, please let us know about them.

After reviewing your laboratory results you may choose to:

- Install a water treatment system to remove metals from the water. We will send you some information about water treatment systems that are effective in removing the metals from your system. You may want to verify the results we send you with some additional testing. You will be responsible for the cost for additional testing to determine what system you need. You will be responsible for the costs to install and maintain a water treatment system.
- Connect to a public water system and stop using your well for drinking water. This may require some changes in your home plumbing and the installation of underground pipes to make the connection. You will be responsible to work with your local public water service to make this connection. You will be responsible for the costs of switching to a public water system and any plumbing that needs to be done to make that switch.
- Work with your health care provider for some additional testing and treatment. We will send you some recommendations on what kinds of additional evaluation and testing you may want to have as a follow-up. You will be responsible to set up appointments with your health care provider for any additional medical evaluation you may want to have. You will be responsible for all of the costs of testing, evaluation and treatment that you get from your health care provider.
- Change household food and water storage containers because the containers contain excessive amounts of free phthalates. We will send you some information on how to identify phthalate free containers. You will be responsible for acquiring new phthalate free containers. You will be responsible for discarding old containers.
- Change your use of personal and lawn care products and services that result in exposure to hazardous chemicals. You will be responsible for any changes in the costs of alternative products and services.
- Work with your community to change agricultural or industrial practices that are resulting in your exposure to hazardous chemicals.
- Identify and avoid high risk areas that you typically like to visit due to the use of hazardous chemicals in those areas.

This list of unintended consequences of participation in our study was prepared on December 8, 2014. This list may change as we become aware of additional consequences and add those to the list.