



### Surveys Used for the California Regional Exposure Study, Region 1

The <u>California Regional Exposure (CARE) Study</u> measured and compared environmental chemicals in people from selected regions across the state. In 2018, 430 residents of Los Angeles County participated in the first phase of the study, <u>CARE-LA</u>. Study participants donated blood and urine samples and completed surveys to identify potential sources of exposure to chemicals.

This packet includes the three surveys used for CARE-LA:

### 1. Interest Form

This survey collected eligibility and demographic information from people who were interested in participating in the study.

### 2. Exposure Survey 1

This survey addressed long-term exposures and general frequency of exposures. Additional demographic information and reproductive history were also collected in this survey. It could be completed by the participant any time before sample collection.

### 3. Exposure Survey 2

This survey addressed recent, short-term exposures, and was completed at sample collection.

Thank you for your interest in the California Regional Exposure (CARE) Study!

The purpose of the CARE Study is to measure some of the potentially harmful chemicals in people's bodies and learn how people come into contact with these chemicals. Please fill out this 2-minute survey if you are interested in being in our study. We will be selecting 500 people to enroll in the study. Selected study participants will be asked to give a sample of blood and urine and to answer two short surveys. Participants will receive a \$20 gift card and can choose to receive their individual test results.

To qualify to be selected, you must:

- be 18 or older,
- have lived in Los Angeles County for the last year, and
- be able to give blood and urine samples. We cannot offer participation to people with blood-clotting disorders, including hemophilia, or a recent blood transfusion (within 6 months).





What year were you born in?
Have you lived in Los Angeles County for the last 12 months?
Yes
○ No
Are you able and willing to give a urine sample and have your blood drawn (about 4 teaspoons)?
Yes
○ No



Please provide us information about yourself so we can select participants to reflect the diversity of Los Angeles County.

Your information will only be used to determine your eligibility, help us select participants, and to contact you if you are selected for this study.

What is your name?

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First name		
Last name		
Suffix (optional)		
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	Code			
Yes				
	Is your mailing ad	dress the same as your hom	ne address?	
○ No	Yes			
	No			





What is your mailing address?	
Street address	
City/town	
State	
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Zip Code	
What is your gender identity?	
Female	Prefer not to answer
Male	Other gender identity
Onn't know	
Please specify (optional)	
Which of the following best represents how you	u think of yourself?
Gay or lesbian	On't know
Straight, that is, not gay or lesbian	Prefer not to answer
Bisexual	Something else
Please specify (optional)	

How do you describe your ethnicity or race? Select one or more.				
American Indian/Alaska Native	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander			
Asian	White			
Black or African American	Don't know			
Hispanic or Latino	Prefer not to answer			
Other race or ethnicity (please specify)				



Asian Indian	Korean
Cambodian	Laotian
Chinese	Vietnamese
Filipino	Don't know
Hmong	Prefer not to answer
Japanese	
Other (please specify)	
w do you describe your Native Hawaiian o	or Other Pacific Islander ethnicity or race? Select one or n
Guamanian	Don't know
Native Hawaiian	Prefer not to answer
Samoan	
Other (please specify)	
at is the highest level of education you ha	ve completed?
Some elementary school (grades 1-5)	Some college
Some middle school (grades 6-8)	College degree
Some high school (grades 9-12)	Graduate degree
High school diploma or GED	Don't know
Technical/Trade school	Prefer not to answer
Other (please specify)	

If selected, what language do you prefer to use for this study?		
English	Japanese	
Spanish	Korean	
Armenian	Russian	
Chinese	Tagalog	
Farsi	Vietnamese	
Other (please specify)		





If you are selected for the CARE Study, you will receive a welcome packet either by email or postal mail. This will include information

about the study, a consent form, a survey about ways you might come into contact with chemicals, and instructions on how to make an appointment.
How would you prefer to receive your welcome packet?
By email
By postal mail

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firm email address	



We may also want to contact you about the study and send you appointment reminders. In case we can't reach you by e-mail, please provide your phone and/or texting number.

Preferred phone number	
(Phone numbers must be 10 digits long, starting with your area code. Do not include d	lashes.)
Alternative phone number	
Preferred phone number for texts	
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We will also want to contact you about the study and set up your appointment. Please provide your phone number and other contact methods.

Preferred phone number	
(Phone numbers must be 10 digits long, starting with your area code. Do not include	dashes.)
Alternative phone number	
Preferred phone number for texts	
(Note: text message charges may apply)	
Email address	
Email address	
Confirm email address	



If you are selected for the CARE Study, you will receive a welcome packet in the mail. CARE Study staff will contact you by phone with an interpreter to set up an appointment to complete the study. Please provide contact information so we may contact you.

Preferred phone number	
(Phone numbers must be 10 digits long, starting with your area code. Do not include	e dashes.)
Alternative phone number	,
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Email address	1
Confirm email address	





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News coverage	Prefer not to answer
Community group or other local association	
Other (please specify)	

Thank you for your interest in the CARE Study but unfortunately, you do not qualify for the study.

To qualify for the study, you must:

- be 18 or older,
- have lived in Los Angeles County for the last year, and
- be able to give blood and urine samples.

# Thank you for your interest in the CARE Study! Please help us spread the word about this important work by telling your friends and family about us: www.cdph.ca.gov/CARE We'll be selecting participants over the next few weeks, so look for our welcome packet in your e-mail or mail.

Exposure Survey

Thank you for joining the California Regional Exposure (CARE) Study! We would like to ask you some questions to help us understand how you come into contact with the chemicals in this study.

This survey includes questions about you, your jobs and hobbies, your home, products you use, and foods you eat. All your answers will be kept confidential. We will use the answers along with the results from your blood and urine samples, to learn more about possible ways that people come into contact with chemicals. However, just because we ask about something Complete and return doesn't mean it is harmful to you. this document

This survey will take about 15 minutes.

Check the box next to the best answer.

### **YOUR HOME**

1.	How long have you lived in your current home?
	☐ Less than a year
	□ 1–5 years
	☐ 6–10 years
	☐ Longer than 10 years
	☐ Don't know
	☐ Prefer not to answer
2.	When was your home or apartment built?
	☐ Between approximately 1980 and 2018
	☐ Before approximately 1980
	☐ Don't know
	☐ Prefer not to answer
3.	Is there wall-to-wall carpeting in any room of your home?
	□ Yes
	□ No
	☐ Don't know
	☐ Prefer not to answer



4.	Are any of your carpets or	rugs stain-resistant or water-resistant?
	☐ Yes	
	□ No	
	☐ I don't have any carpe	et in my home
	☐ Don't know	
	☐ Prefer not to answer	
5.	Do you have any furniture covered furniture, like cou	that is stain-resistant or water-resistant? (This refers only to fabric-ches and chairs.)
	□ Yes	
	□ No	
	☐ Don't know	
	☐ Prefer not to answer	
6.	Has any remodeling or ren last 12 months?	ovation work been done inside or outside your home during the
	☐ Yes — If "Yes" is chec	ked, move to question 7
	□ No	
	☐ Don't know	If any of these are checked, skip to question 8
	☐ Prefer not to answer	
7.	If yes, check all that apply:	
	☐ Carpeting – installed	new
	☐ Carpeting – removed	old
	☐ Paint removed – by so	craping, sanding, or using a heat gun
	☐ New paint – inside an	nd/or outside of home
	☐ Other (please specify)	c
8.	Does your home have any	paint peeling from walls, windowsills, pipes, or other surfaces?
	□ Yes	
	□ No	
	☐ Don't know	
	☐ Prefer not to answer	



## **WATER** 9. What is the main source of water in your home? Choose only one. ☐ Public water system ☐ Private well ☐ Other water source (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Don't know ☐ Prefer not to answer 10. What kind of water do you drink most of the time? Choose only one. ☐ Tap water ☐ Filtered tap water ☐ Store-bought water including bottled water or water coolers ☐ Other water source (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Don't know ☐ Prefer not to answer **FOOD** 11. How would you describe what you typically eat? You may choose more than one. ☐ I don't follow a special diet. I eat most types of food. ☐ Mostly vegetarian, but I also eat seafood □ Vegetarian □ Vegan ☐ Gluten-free □ Low fat ☐ Low carbohydrate ☐ Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Don't know



☐ Prefer not to answer

12. As part of your diet in a typical week, how often do you eat each of the following meat, poultry, and fish? Please check the appropriate box.

			Yes, I eat				
Food	I don't eat this food	Rarely (Less than 1 day per week)	1–3 days per week	4–6 days per week	Every day	Don't know	Prefer not to answer
Red meat (for example, beef, pork, lamb)							
Poultry (for example, chicken, turkey)							
Fish caught by you or someone you know							
Fish purchased at a grocery store, market, or restaurant (includes items like fish in sushi, tuna fish sandwiches, and canned fish)							
Shellfish caught by you or someone you know (for example, crab, lobster, or shrimp)							
Shellfish purchased at a grocery store, market, or restaurant (includes shellfish in sushi)							

13	. As part of your diet in a typical week, how often do you eat or drink each of the follo	owing
	foods or beverages? Please check the appropriate box.	

			Yes, I eat				
Food	I don't eat this food	Rarely (Less than 1 day per week)	1–3 days per week	4–6 days per week	Every day	Don't know	Prefer not to answer
Milk							
Butter							
Margarine							
Eggs							
Potatoes (any style)							
White rice							
Brown rice							
Other rice products (for example, rice cereal, rice noodles, rice cakes/ crackers, rice milk)							

14. As part of your diet in a typical week, how often do you eat each of the following packaged foods? Please check the appropriate box.

			Yes, I eat				
Food	I don't eat this food	Rarely (Less than 1 day per week)	1–3 days per week	4–6 days per week	Every day	Don't know	Prefer not to answer
Microwave popcorn							
Potato chips							
Take-out, delivery, or fast food served in paper or a cardboard container (for example, pizza, hamburgers, sandwiches, or baked goods)							
French fries from a fast-food or take-out restaurant							
Store-bought food that you heat in its paper or cardboard package (for example, pizza, frozen meals, garlic bread)							

### **OCCUPATION**

5. What is your current employment status?	
☐ Employed or self-employed — If "Employed or self-employ	ved" is checked, move to question 16
☐ Homemaker	
□ Student	
☐ On permanent disability leave	ked skin to allestion 18
☐ Retired or not currently working	ca, skip to question to
□ Don't know	
☐ Prefer not to answer	
6. What kind of job do you do? (For example, registered nurse, ja If you have multiple jobs, please list the jobs where you spend	
Primary current job	
Additional current job, if any	
Additional current job, if any	
☐ Don't know	
☐ Prefer not to answer	
<ol> <li>What kind of businesses or industries do you <u>currently</u> work in day care, construction, landscaping.)</li> <li>Main current business or industry</li> </ol>	
Additional current business or industry, if any	
Additional current business or industry, if any	
□ Don't know	
☐ Prefer not to answer	
8. Thinking of all the jobs you have ever had, what kind of job diexample, registered nurse, janitor, cashier, auto mechanic.)	d you do for the longest? (For
Kind of job	Continue to question 19
☐ No previous jobs — <i>If checked, skip to question 22</i>	
☐ Don't know ☐ Prefer not to answer ☐ If either of these is checked, skip to	question 20
☐ Prefer not to answer	question 20
9. What kind of business or industry was this job in (the job you example, grocery store, day care provider, construction, landsc	
Kind of business or industry	
☐ Don't know	
□ Prefer not to answer	

### 20. In the past 12 months, have you worked in any of these specific industries?

Industry	Yes	No	Don't know	Prefer not to answer
Firefighting				
Armed forces				
Police				
Demolition				
Construction				
Metal smelting or refining or metal work				
Metals recycling				
Battery replacement or recycling				
Electronics repair or recycling				
Glass production				
Ceramics production				

### 21. In the past 12 months, have you performed any of these activities as part of your job?

Job Activity	Yes	No	Don't know	Prefer not to answer
Upholstered furniture				
Installed carpet				
Removed paint by scraping, sanding, or using a heat gun				
Dental work involving silver fillings preparation				
Work involving soil (farming, digging, etc.)				
Applied fingernail polish in a nail salon				
Used dyes, art paint, or glazes				
Used solder (for example for joining pipes or in electronics)				
Practiced or worked at a shooting range				
Cleaned carpets with foams or liquids				

### **HOBBIES**

22. In the past 12 months, have you done any of the activities below <u>in your leisure time</u> (outside of your job)?

Hobby/Activity	Yes	No	Don't know	Prefer not to answer
Ceramics or pottery				
Metal soldering or welding, for arts and crafts or other hobbies				
Artwork using paints, glazes, finger paints, or crayons				
Jewelry making				
Visited a shooting range				

### **CONSUMER PRODUCTS AND OTHER TOPICS**

23. In the past 12 months, how often have you used the following products?

			Yes, I use tl				
Product	I don't use this product	Rarely (Less than once per year)	1–4 times per year	5–11 times per year	More than 11 times per year	Don't know	Prefer not to answer
Paints or dyes for art work (does not include house paint)							
Any product used for stain- or water-proofing personal or household items (for example, furniture, coats, boots)							
Carpet cleaning foams or liquids							
Ski or snowboard wax							

24. In the past 12 months, have you had any dental work that involved silver-colored fillings?
□ Yes
□ No
□ Don't know
☐ Prefer not to answer
25. How often do you wear stain-water-resistant, or water-proof clothing, including uniforms, jackets, or pants?
□ Never
☐ Less than once per month
☐ 1 to 3 times per month
□ 1 to 4 times per week
☐ 5 or more times per week
☐ Don't know
☐ Prefer not to answer
SMOKING
SMORING
26. Have you smoked at least 100 cigarettes (about 5 packs) over your lifetime?
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26. Have you smoked at least 100 cigarettes (about 5 packs) over your lifetime?  ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Don't know ☐ Prefer not to answer
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26. Have you smoked at least 100 cigarettes (about 5 packs) over your lifetime?  Yes  No Don't know Prefer not to answer  27. Do you currently smoke cigarettes? Every day — If "Every day" is checked, move to question 28 Some days Not at all
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26. Have you smoked at least 100 cigarettes (about 5 packs) over your lifetime?    Yes   No   Don't know   Prefer not to answer  27. Do you currently smoke cigarettes?    Every day — If "Every day" is checked, move to question 28   Some days   Not at all   Don't know    If any of these are checked, skip to question 29
26. Have you smoked at least 100 cigarettes (about 5 packs) over your lifetime?    Yes   No   Don't know   Prefer not to answer  27. Do you currently smoke cigarettes?   Every day — If "Every day" is checked, move to question 28   Some days   Not at all   Don't know   Prefer not to answer
26. Have you smoked at least 100 cigarettes (about 5 packs) over your lifetime?    Yes

29. Do you use electronic cigarettes (e-cigarettes) or vaping devices with or without nicotine?
□ Yes
□ No
☐ Don't know
☐ Prefer not to answer
30. Do you use tobacco products other than cigarettes, such as pipes, cigars, cigarillos, bidis, hookahs, or smokeless tobacco products?
□ Yes
□ No
□ Don't know
☐ Prefer not to answer
31. Does anyone smoke tobacco products in your presence inside your home almost every day?
□ Yes
□ No
☐ Don't know
☐ Prefer not to answer
RECENT EVENTS
32. Did you experience any of the following related to the fires in Southern California in December 2017 (or afterwards)? Check all that apply.
<ul> <li>Performed emergency response duties in the field such as fire suppression, creating fire breaks, or evacuating residents</li> </ul>
☐ Performed debris or ash clean-up on the job
☐ Performed debris or ash clean-up for own home or as a volunteer
$\square$ After the fires, lived in an area with fire damage
☐ Other (please specify):

### **REPRODUCTIVE HISTORY**

33. Have you ever been pregnant?
☐ Yes — If "Yes" is checked, move to question 34
□ No or Not Applicable
☐ No or Not Applicable ☐ Prefer not to answer  ☐ Prefer not to answer
34. Are you currently pregnant?
□ Yes
□ No
☐ Don't know
☐ Prefer not to answer
35. How many pregnancies have you carried to term?
pregnancies
☐ Don't know
☐ Prefer not to answer
36. Have you ever breastfed?
☐ Yes — If "Yes" is checked, move to question 37
☐ No/Not Applicable ☐ Prefer not to answer ☐ Prefer not to answer
☐ Prefer not to answer
37. How many total months did you breastfeed your child (or children)? (For example, if you have two children and you breastfed one child for 3 months and the second child for 2 months, then you breastfed for 5 months total.)
total months
□ Don't know
☐ Prefer not to answer

### **BACKGROUND**

This information will only be used to help us understand how people's backgrounds affect the types of chemicals they come into contact with.

38. Where were you born?
☐ United States
☐ Mexico, Central America, South America, or Caribbean Islands
□ Canada
□ Africa
□ Asia
☐ Australia or New Zealand
□ Europe
☐ Middle East
☐ Pacific Islands
☐ Other (please specify):
□ Don't know
☐ Prefer not to answer
39. How many years have you lived in the United States?
☐ My whole life or more than 25 years
☐ 16–25 years
□ 11–15 years
□ 6–10 years
□ 5 years or less
☐ Prefer not to answer
40. What is the yearly income in your household?
□ 0–\$25,000
□ \$25,001−\$75,000
□ \$75,001–\$150,000
□ >\$150,001
☐ Don't know
☐ Prefer not to answer

41.	How many people live in your household, including yourself? people
	□ Don't know
	□ Prefer not to answer
42.	This survey cannot ask about every way people could come into contact with chemicals. If you would like to share other possible sources of chemicals you are concerned about for you your family, or community, please list/describe them here.
43.	We would appreciate any feedback you might have about this survey or other parts of the CARE Study. Please use the space provided below.

You have completed the survey. Thank you for your time.



# Exposure Survey 2

1. In the last 3 days, have you had any of the food or beverages below?

	Food/Beverage	Yes	No	Don't know	Prefer not to answer
	ice and/or other rice products (for example, rice ereal, rice noodles, rice cakes or crackers, rice milk)				
Р	oultry (for example, chicken, turkey)				
V	Vine, beer, or other alcohol				
2.	In the last 3 days, have you worked with or around Examples may include generators, trucks, trains, or    Yes  Don't know Prefer not to answer	-	owered equ	ipment or v	vehicles?
3.	In the last 3 days, approximately how much time  ☐ Less than 1 hour  ☐ 1-6 hours  ☐ 6-9 hours  ☐ More than 9 hours	have you s	pent in a vo	ehicle on a	freeway?
4.	In the last 3 days, have you been around diesel-processing for your job or on the freeway?  Yes  No Don't know Prefer not to answer	oowered eq	uipment or	vehicles ot	her than
5.	If yes, please describe				



6.	In the last <u>7 days</u> , including today, have you had any seafood (fish and/or shellfish, including items like fish in sushi and tuna fish sandwiches)?
	□ Yes
	□ No
	□ Don't know
	□ Prefer not to answer
7.	In the last <u>7 days</u> , including today, have you smoked any tobacco products, such as cigarettes, pipes, cigars, cigarillos, bidis, hookahs, etc.?
	□ Yes
	□ No
	☐ Don't know
	☐ Prefer not to answer
8.	In the last <u>7 days</u> , including today, have you used e-cigarettes or other vaping devices?
8.	In the last <u>7 days</u> , including today, have you used e-cigarettes or other vaping devices?  ☐ Yes
8.	
8.	□ Yes
8.	□ Yes □ No
	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Don't know
	<ul> <li>☐ Yes</li> <li>☐ No</li> <li>☐ Don't know</li> <li>☐ Prefer not to answer</li> </ul> In the last 7 days, including today, has anyone smoked tobacco products in your presence
	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Don't know ☐ Prefer not to answer  In the last 7 days, including today, has anyone smoked tobacco products in your presence inside your home or car?
	<ul> <li>☐ Yes</li> <li>☐ No</li> <li>☐ Don't know</li> <li>☐ Prefer not to answer</li> </ul> In the last 7 days, including today, has anyone smoked tobacco products in your presence inside your home or car? <ul> <li>☐ Yes</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Yes</li> <li>No</li> <li>Don't know</li> <li>Prefer not to answer</li> </ul> In the last 7 days, including today, has anyone smoked tobacco products in your presence inside your home or car? <ul> <li>Yes</li> <li>No</li> </ul>

You have completed the survey. Thank you for your time.

