

Environmental Public Health Resources at the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR)

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- Overview of ATSDR
- CDC/ATSDR Tribal Policy
- GLRI Projects
 - Harmful Algal Bloom Health Surveillance
 - Biomonitoring of Tribal Population
- Public health assessment process









Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR)

- ATSDR created as a federal agency within the Public Health Service in 1980
- Sister agency to the National Center for Environmental Health at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- Perform Public Health Assessments at Superfund sites and in response to community petitions









- Public Health Assessments- comprehensive evaluation of environmental exposures
- Health Consultations- response to specific issue
- Exposure Investigations- confirmation of exposed populations
- Health Studies- disease clusters, exposure impact assessments
- **Public Health Advisories-** recommendation for immediate action







Other Resources

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- Community fact sheets
- Toxicological Profiles
- Hazardous substance research

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- Pediatric Environmental Health Specialty Units (PEHSU)
- Managing Hazardous Materials Incidents
- Medical Management Guidelines
- Case Studies in Environmental Medicine
- Health education

Website: <u>www.atsdr.cdc.gov</u> 1-888-422-8737









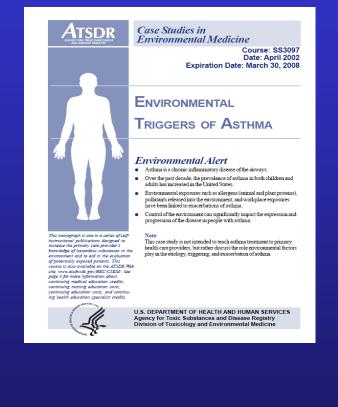
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Healthcare Provider Education

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- Case Studies in Environmental Medicine
- Continuing Medical Education Courses
 - Disease Clusters

- Environmental Triggers of Asthma
- Pediatric Environmental Health
- Grand Rounds- local hospitals



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CDC/ATSDR Tribal Consultation Policy -Philosophy-

- Tribes have an inalienable and inherent right to self-governance
- CDC and ATSDR recognize their special obligations to and unique relationship with tribes









Good Health and Wellness in Indian Country: FY 2017 Investments (35 Awards)

National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion

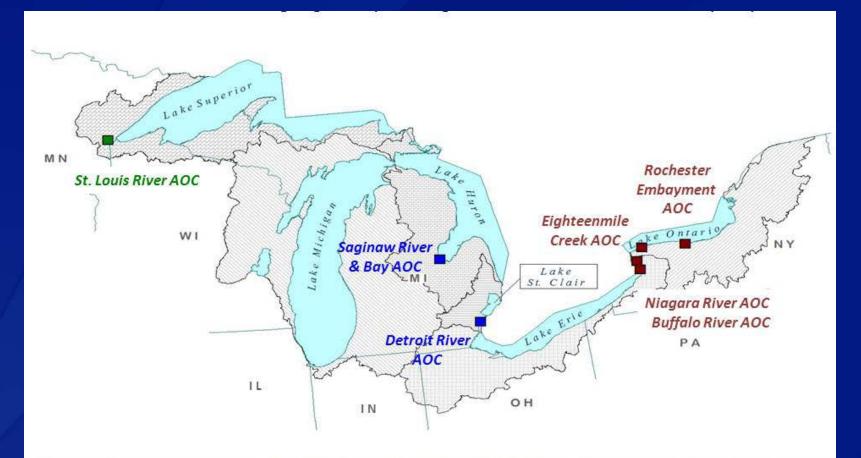




CDC & Indian Country Working Together https://www.cdc.gov/chronicdisease/tribal/index.ht m



Study Locations - Seven Great Lakes AOCs



Minnesota Department of Health Michigan Department of Community Health New York State Department of Health

Minnesota

Title "Fond du Lac Community Biomonitoring Study"

Areas of Concern

Lake Superior /St. Louis River

Target Population

 Tribal members who live in Carleton and St. Louis county

Sampling Strategy

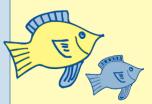
 Simple random sampling from clinic roster for eligible tribal members

491 Participants





A Family Guide to Eating Fish



Safe eating guidelines for fish from Minnesota lakes and rivers, and for fish bought in restaurants and stores.



Fond du Lac Community Biomonitoring Study

Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) and the Fond du Lac Band (FDL) of Lake Superior Chippewa collected blood and urine from 491 participants in the Study.

To identify the following for a select number of environmental chemicals

- the amount of each chemical in participants' blood or urine;
- how the amounts found in participants compare to results from other studies;
- whether any groups, such as women or elders, have greater amounts of study chemicals in their bodies; and
- how study participants may have contacted the chemicals

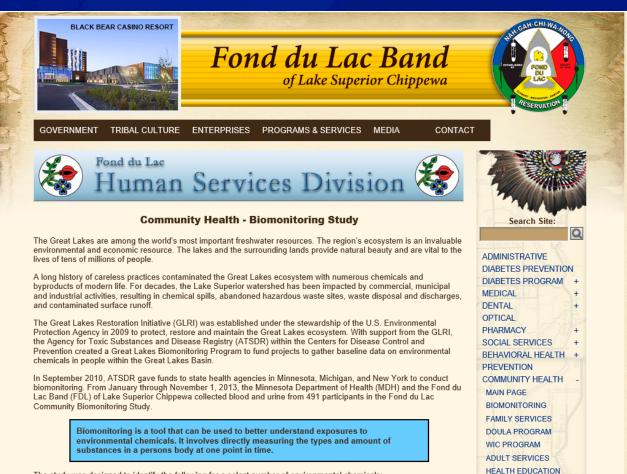
Core Questionnaire Domains

- Demographics
- Residential history
- Housing characteristics
- Job history
- Lifestyle factors
- Dietary intake
- Recreational activities
- Smoking history

- Fish consumption patterns with a focus on fish species and locally caught fish
- Women's reproductive history



Fond du Lac Community Biomonitoring Study



The study was designed to identify the following for a select number of environmental chemicals:

Study Website: http://www.fdlrez.com/HumanServices/biomonitoring.htm

Fond du Lac Community Biomonitoring Study – Community Reports

Three reports are available on the study website

- Bisphenol A, Triclosan, 1-Hydroxypyrene, and PFAS
- Cadmium, Lead and Mercury
- Persistent, Bioaccumulative Chemicals

Community Report for Bisphenol A, Triclosan, 1-Hydroxypyrene, and Perfluorochemicals

Fond du Lac Community Biomonitoring Study

October 30, 2015







Fond du Lac Community Biomonitoring Study – Community Reports

Community Report for Cadmium, Lead, and Mercury

Fond du Lac Community Biomonitoring Study

July 1, 2014







Community Report for Persistent, Bioaccumulative Chemicals

Fond du Lac Community Biomonitoring Study

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Optimize the Monitoring and Use of Waterborne Disease and Outbreak Health Data

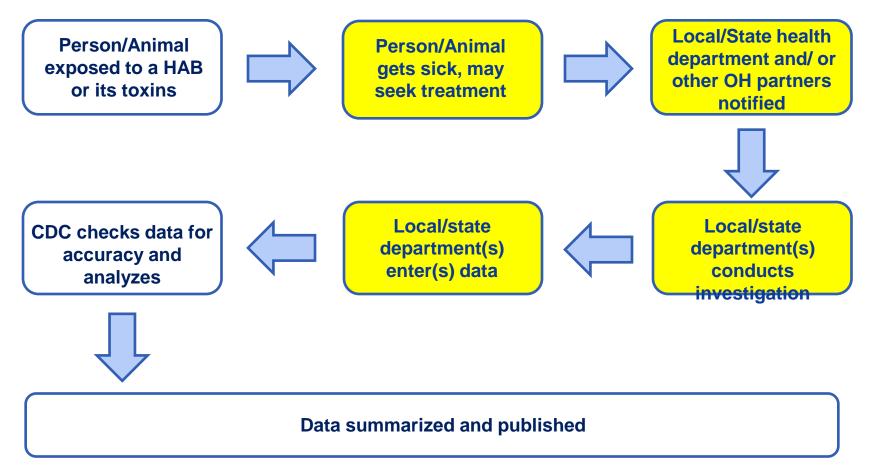
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has received
 GLRI funding to expand public health surveillance
 - Build state and regional public health capacity related to harmful algal blooms and ambient waterborne disease in the Great Lakes
 - Engage in state and federal partnerships, data and information sharing
 - Collect better data to assess Great Lakes ecosystem health and GLRI project impacts
- Project activities include
 - Support for waterborne disease surveillance work in state health departments
 - The One Health Harmful Algal Bloom System (OHHABS)





- **Electronic reporting**
 - Web-based, password-protected system
 - Systematic data collection
 - Launched in 2016
- **One Health surveillance for fresh and marine water events**
 - HAB events (environmental data)
 - HAB-associated human cases of illness
 - HAB-associated animal cases of illness
- Voluntary reporting to CDC
 - Local, state, and territorial public health partners
 - Their designated environmental health and animal health partners
- Reporting frequency
 - Event-based, not routine water monitoring
 - Not a real-time notification or case investigation system
 - Passive surveillance

General HAB-associated Illness Reporting Process

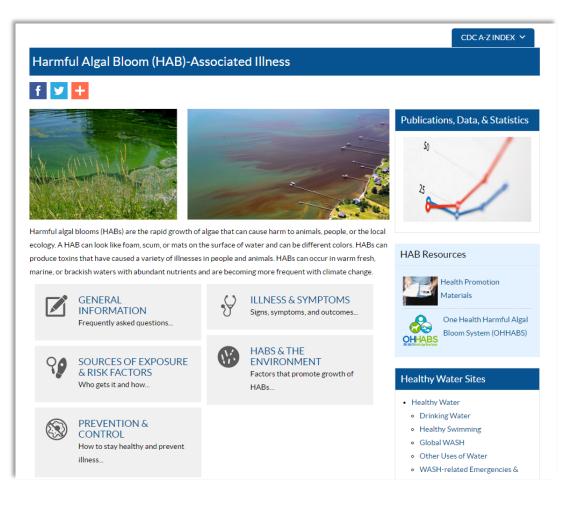


Data uses:

Summary reports, other publications, data and statistics Development and support of programs, health promotion, and policies

Related Resources

- Harmful Algal Bloom Associated Illnesses: <u>www.cdc.gov/habs</u>
- HAB health promotion materials: <u>www.cdc.gov/habs/materials/index.html</u>
- OHHABS information: <u>www.cdc.gov/habs/ohhabs</u>





Public Health Assessments

- Evaluates exposure to chemicals in the environment and determine if those exposures may cause harm to health
- Reviews exposure pathways, toxicological information, health outcome data, and community concerns
- Reports the results of its evaluation in a public health assessment and recommendations for specific actions to protect health
- Engage the community in planning, implementation, and communication of the assessment









- Recreational and subsistence fish consumption is significantly greater than general U.S. population
 - Average diet: 10 17.9 g/day
 - Sport fishing amount: 12 54 g/day
 - Subsistence fishing: 150 500 g/day
- Body burden levels in vulnerable populations are 2 8 X higher than general U.S. population







Toxicology: Exposure Doses

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- An exposure dose is an estimate of the total amount of a chemical that enters a person's body when exposed to the chemical by inhalation, ingestion, or dermal contact
- Site-specific exposure doses are calculated in order to assess whether exposures are severe enough to caused health effects







Public Health Assessment Process

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- Conclusions and Recommendations

 Identify Hazard Category
 Identify Data Gaps
 - Follow-up Health Activities

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Public Health Action Plan

 Determine actions to be taken
 Identify who will perform actions





