

**Attachment 3**  
**Screening Questionnaire**

Human Exposure to Cyanobacterial Toxins in Water

Eligibility Screening Questionnaire

Hello, I'm \_\_\_\_\_. I'm working with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the California Department of Public Health. I'd like to know if you are willing to help us with a blue-green algae research study today. Have you seen our study ad?

You may have heard about blue-green algae. They are very tiny organisms that grow in water. One type of blue-green algae is called *Microcystis aeruginosa*. This type of blue-green algae can make chemicals, called microcystins, that can make people sick. For example, we know these chemicals can cause liver problems in people when they drink water with a lot of this chemical in it.

We are doing a research study to see if small amounts of blue green algae can be found in the nose and blood of people doing recreational activities on lakes with algae blooms. We also want to know if we can find very small amounts of microcystins in blood samples of people who have been working, swimming, or playing in waters. We would like people to answer some questions and give us a small (about 2 teaspoons each) blood sample today. We would also like to call you in about 10 days and ask you some questions.

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Will you help us with our study?

IF NO:

Okay, well, thank you for your time.

IF YES:

Thank you.

First, I will ask you some questions to see if you qualify to be in our study. Then I'll ask you to read and sign a consent form and answer a few more questions.

If you are using a jet ski or a boat (for collecting water samples or other work-related activities, sailing, or for water skiing), we will also ask you to take a personal air monitor with you.

At the end of the day today, you will come back here and answer the same questions and give us a blood sample.

This should only take about 30 minutes of your time.

In about 10 days, someone from the study will call you and ask some questions about symptoms you may have.

We will give you \$40 for completing all parts of the study.

OK?

IF PERSON IS INTERESTED IN BEING IN THE STUDY

Okay, I am going to read a list of activities and you can tell me which of these you plan to do today.

	Yes	No	Don't Know
Water Skiing	___	___	___
Sailing a small boat	___	___	___
Jet Skiing	___	___	___
Swimming	___	___	___
Fishing from a boat	___	___	___
Collecting water samples	___	___	___
Other work activity			
Specify	_____		

IF THEY CHOOSE "YES" TO ONE OR MORE OF THE ABOVE ACTIVITIES:

Thanks. You are eligible to be in our study.

IF THEY DO NOT CHOOSE "YES" TO ONE OR MORE OF THE ABOVE ACTIVITIES:

Thanks. But we can only include people who will be doing at least one of these activities today.