Blood Collection Information Sheet

Blood collection

- We will be collecting 20 milliliters of blood (4 tablespoons) using procedures similar to those used in doctors' offices.
- We will insert a needle into a vein in your arm with a needle and collect three tubes of blood.
- We will measure levels of several chemicals in your blood that may be there as a result of being exposed to things in the environment. Specifically, we will measure:
 - Persistent organic compounds (PCBs and pesticides)
 - Perfluorinated chemicals (PFOA and PBDE)
 - Metals (lead, mercury and cadmium)
 - Cotinine (by-product of nicotine)
- We will also measure serum fats such as cholesterol and triglycerides.

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