

**Appendix E:
Initial Contact Letter**

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Dear:

I am writing to tell you about a research project being conducted by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) in partnership with the 1199SEIU. The purpose of this study is to identify any risk factors for asthma, or worsening asthma, among workers in the healthcare industry. Researchers at NIOSH are attempting to identify these risk factors so successful strategies for preventing asthma or asthma like symptoms can be developed.

Sometime in the next several weeks, 1199 SEIU will be mailing you information from NIOSH about the study and requesting your participation. I hope that you will take the opportunity to participate in this study once you review the recruitment material. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

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