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Example Screening Form

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Example screening tool introduction for investigation that includes collecting survey data and environmental samples:

Before asking the screening questions:

Hello, my name is {SAY NAME}. We are doing an investigation for the National Center for Environmental Health, or NCEH, at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and [name of requesting entity]. The investigation is to help us understand the potential exposures from using private wells for drinking water. I would like to ask you a few questions to see if you are eligible to be in our investigation. May I ask you a few short questions? I will only take a few minutes of your time.

Example screening tool introduction for investigation that includes collecting survey data and biologic specimens:

Before asking the screening questions:

Hello, my name is {SAY NAME}. We are doing an investigation for the National Center for Environmental Health, or NCEH, at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and [name of requesting entity]. The investigation is to help us understand the potential exposures from using private wells for drinking water. I would like to ask you a few questions to see if you are eligible to be in our investigation. May I ask you a few short questions? I will only take a few minutes of your time.

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Sample screening questions

1. Do you have a private well? (By “well,” we are referring to any means of getting water from the ground, including dug, bored, or drilled wells).

- Yes
- No

If no: *Thank you for your time, but we need people who get their drinking water from private wells for our investigation.*

2. Are you at least 18 years of age?

- Yes
- No

If no: *Thank you for your time, but we need adults who get their drinking water from private wells for our investigation.*

3. Do you currently use your private well for drinking or cooking?

- Yes
- No
- I don't know

If no or I don't know: *Thank you for your time, but we need people who get their drinking water from private wells for our investigation.*

Thank you. You are eligible to be in our investigation. Now, I'd like to tell you more about it.

Go to consent form.