



Helping Health Care Providers Address Patient Exposures to PFAS

Health care providers (physicians, physician assistants, nurse practitioners, nurses) may not be familiar with the topic of exposure to environmental chemicals – including PFAS (per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances) – and patient health.

There are helpful, evidence-based educational materials and tools to help clinicians discuss this topic with their patients.

The Washington State Department of Health has assembled a useful set of some of these materials: <https://doh.wa.gov/public-health-healthcare-providers/healthcare-professions-and-facilities/professional-resources/pfas>

There are several helpful resources for community members interested in learning more about PFAS:



Washington clinicians can also access consultations at the University of Washington as needed to address patient concerns about PFAS:

NW Pediatric Environmental Health Specialty Unit

Phone: 206-221-8671

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This program offers clinician-to-clinician consultation regarding patient concerns.