Program News and Updates

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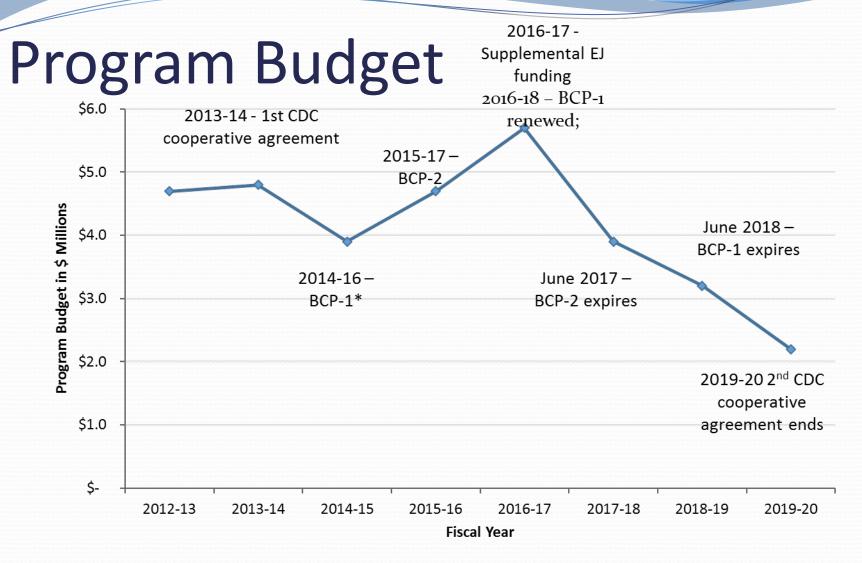
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Program budget was supplemented through the Budget Change Proposal (BCP) process as a temporary measure following the reduction in CDC funding.

Program Budget – Implications

- Inability to maintain laboratory panels
- Loss of laboratory capacity slower turnaround time
- Inability to initiate new projects
- Reduction of the scope of existing projects

Main Priorities

- Statewide Representative sampling
 - Launching the multi-regional sampling plan
- Consumer product exposures
 - Measuring select analytes relevant to consumer products
 - Collaborating with the Safer Consumer Products Program
- Laboratory capabilities
- Environmental justice activities

Environmental Justice Activities

- Asian/Pacific Islander Community Exposures (ACE)
 Project
- Diesel exhaust exposure study
- Community outreach and engagement
 - Survey
 - Community meetings/webinars
 - Newsletter

Project Updates

	Sample Collection	Lab Analysis	Results Return
BEST (Arsenic retesting)	Complete	Complete	Complete
BEST (Perchlorate)	Complete	Projected: March 2017	Projected: April 2017
FREES	In-Progress	On-going	On-going
ACE I	Complete	Projected: June 2017	Projected: July 2017
ACE II	Projected: April 2017		

Multi-Regional Sampling (MRS) Overview

- Divide the state into 8 regions
- Conduct sampling region by region, approximately 1 region/year
- Potential for nesting smaller studies within the MRS, to include, for example, additional chemical panels, multiple samples per participant, intervention studies



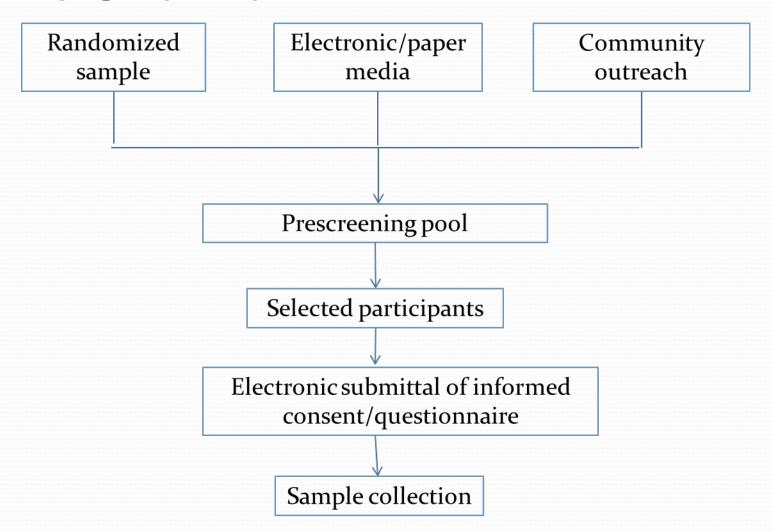
Multi-Regional Sampling: Key Questions

- How to successfully recruit participants?
 - Random recruitment vs community based recruitment
- How to select a representative sample?
 - Include the cultural and linguistic diversity of California
 - Include rural as well as urban communities
 - Represent highly exposed communities

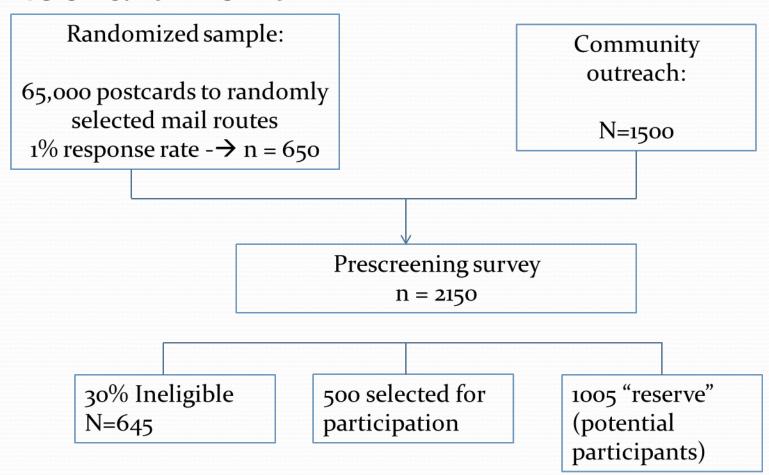
Region 1: The Pilot

- An opportunity to evaluate
 - Recruitment methods
 - Automated participant tracking
 - Sample collection protocols
 - Electronic results return

Multi-Regional Sampling Plan: The Overview



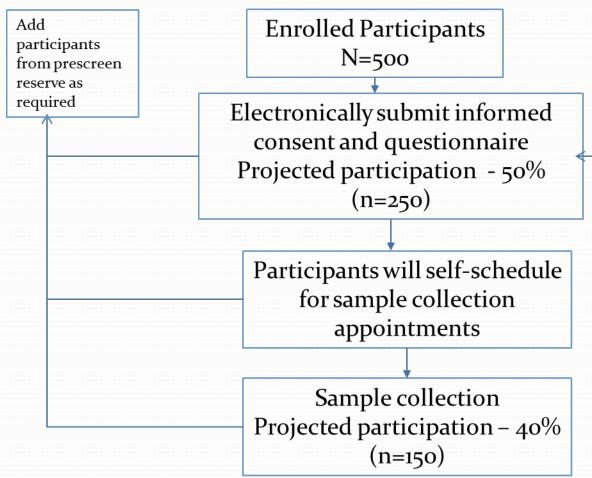
Multi-Regional Sampling Plan: Recruitment



Multi-Regional Sampling Plan: Sample Selection

	White	African-Am	Asian-Am	Hispanic
LA County	26%	8%	14%	49%
Proportionate Sampling	132	41	69	247
Adjusted Sampling (n=500)	130 (26%)	80 (16%)	90 (18%)	200 (40%)
Gold Country	52%	8%	14%	26%
Proportionate Sampling	156	24	42	78
Adjusted Sampling (n=300)	140 (46%)	50 (17%)	50 (17%)	60 (20%)

Multi-Regional Sampling Plan: Participant Management



Smaller group will submit IC/Q on paper or on the phone with interpretation assistance.

Multi-Regional Sampling Plan: Participant Enrollment

- Selected participants will be mailed/e-mailed study packets including an Informed Consent
- Participants can electronically submit consent or submit a paper copy.
- Once enrolled, participants will be given access to an electronic questionnaire. Participants may opt for a phone interview instead.
- Questionnaire will be brief, to maximize participation
- Once the questionnaire is completed, the participant will be asked to schedule sample collection.

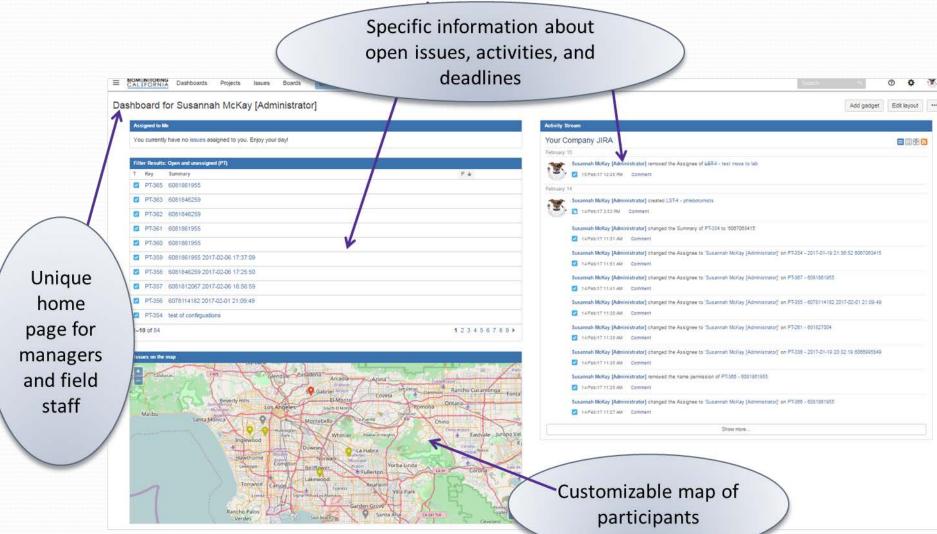
Sample Collection Protocol: Two Models



- Sample Collection Events
 - Less expensive if many samples are collected
 - Better control over sample storage conditions
 - High overhead (site rental, staff)
 - Really expensive if turnout is low

- Mobile Sample Collection
 - Allows for efficient use of staff time
 - No site rental
 - Labor intensive for staff
 - Safety considerations

Multi-Regional Sampling Plan: Participant Tracking



Multi-Regional Sampling Plan: Sample Analysis

- Metals (Hg, Cd, Pb, As) what other metals should we be considering?
- PFASs (panel of 38 analytes) vs PFCs (panel of 12 analytes)

Multi-Regional Sampling Plan: Results Return

- Electronic results return (paper packet option)
- Select population for follow-up
 - Participants with elevated levels of metals flagged by our protocols
 - Participants with highest and lowest percentiles PFAS results
 - Follow-up questionnaires for select participants

Multi-Regional Sampling Plan: Proposed Timeline

- April 2017 Meet with LA County partners to review protocol
- April July 2017 Finalize protocol and study tools
- August 2017 Submit IRB protocol
- October 2017 March 2018 Community outreach
- January 2018 Initiate recruitment

Multi-Regional Sampling Plan: Outstanding Questions

- Analytical panels
 - Additional metals
 - PFASs vs. PFCs
- Exposure questionnaires how to prioritize which questions to include?
- Key stakeholders in LA County and other regions) to include in outreach
- Which region should be next?

