



A health study for oil spill clean-up workers and volunteers

Oil Spill Clean-up Worker
2605 Meridian Parkway
Durham, NC 27713

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Dear Mr. Clean-up Worker:

We are trying to reach you to join the GuLF STUDY, a health study for workers, volunteers and those who trained to help clean up after the Deepwater Horizon disaster.

You are eligible to join the GuLF STUDY because you are on a list of people who helped with the oil spill clean-up, took training, signed up to work, or were sent to the Gulf to help in some way.

Your story is needed to help answer questions that are important to you and your community.

You can join the study by answering some questions about what you did during the spill and about your health. You may also be asked to participate in a home visit for a medical exam which involves providing blood, urine and other samples collected by a healthcare professional. You will receive a \$50 gift card for completing the home visit.

The telephone survey and the home visit are voluntary. Information you share is confidential and will be kept private. If you complete the telephone survey, you may choose not to do the home visit. It is up to you.

Make the call to join the study today – do it for your health, your community, and your future. If you have any questions or would like to join, call us toll-free at 1-855-NIH-GULF (1-855-644-4853). You can also visit our website at <http://www.nihgulfstudy.org>.

We look forward to talking with you soon.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dale P. Sandler".

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