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Senator Larkin's Efforts Lead To Blood Testing For Newburgh Residents

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Senator Bill Larkin (R-C-I, 39th District) praised an announcement today from the NYS Department of Health that it plans to institute a program to test Newburgh residents for Perfluorooctane Sulfonate (PFOS) exposure.

"From the moment this health crisis was discovered I have continuously called on the New York State Department of Health to become more active in its response, to offer blood testing, and to create a health assessment program for the greater Newburgh community," said Senator Bill Larkin. "I applaud the Department of Health for their decision to finally offer blood testing and am hopeful that federal, state, and local officials will continue working together to protect the welfare of those exposed to contaminated water."

The NYS Department of Health is working on specific details for testing and more information should be coming in the next few weeks.