SAVE-THE-DATE: SECOND PFAS CONFERENCE, FOLLOWED BY URI-STEEP SCIENCE WORKSHOP

The Organizing Committee of the 2017 PFAS Conference is happy to announce that a second conference will be held in Boston, June 10-11, 2019 at Northeastern University. The significant growth in the number of contaminated sites, public awareness, community organizing, public policy, advisories and regulation, scientific research, and media attention calls us to once again bring together the array of participants that made the first conference so successful. NIEHS Director Linda Birnbaum has agreed to be a keynote speaker. We will have more details soon, but please mark your calendars.

The Organizing Committee is, alphabetically: Andrea Amico (Testing for Pease), Sylvia Broude (Toxics Action Center), Phil Brown (Social Science Environmental Health Research Institute, Northeastern University), Courtney Carignan (Michigan State University), Alissa Cordner (Whitman College), Michelle Dalton (Testing for Pease), Alayna Davis (Testing for Pease), Shaina Kasper (Toxics Action Center), Andrew Lindstrom (US Environmental Protection Agency), Lauren Richter (Silent Spring Institute and Social Science Environmental Health Research Institute, Northeastern University), and Laurel Schaider (Silent Spring Institute).

Following the PFAS Conference, on June 12 the URI STEEP (Sources, Transport, Exposure and Effects of PFASs) Superfund Research Center, working with the PFAS Conference Organizing Committee, will host a 1-day workshop on the current state of science on PFASs. Topics will cover toxicology/health effects, human exposure, detection and transport of PFASs in the environment.