

Recruitment Script for LOI-3-RT-01-N GC/MS Methods to Determine Environmental Factors on Fetal and Newborn Gene Expression

"Thank you for agreeing to meet with us/me to discuss the research study that we are conducting. The purpose of the study is to test our methods for studying if certain chemicals in the environment might be related to changes in developing children. The specific things in the environment that we are looking at in this study are chemicals used in plastics and food containers in addition to other materials. Laboratory studies have shown that these chemicals can cause changes in cells. However, what is not known is whether these changes happen in nature as well as in the laboratory. That is why we would like to test your urine and that of your newborn baby for these chemicals. If you have a baby boy (or because you know you will be having a baby boy), we would also like permission to examine the tissue that will be removed after he is circumcised. This will allow us to compare the amount of chemicals in his and your urine with potential changes in his tissue sample. If you think that you might like to participate in this study, you need to read, understand and sign the informed consent document. After you read the document, or during your reading of it, if you have any questions about the study or related issues, we would be happy to answer them. If there is something you do not understand in the document or need it to be translated, (Dr. Lyman, the PI for this study, is fluent in Spanish and serves as a volunteer hospital translator) we can provide this service in Spanish (or other languages typical of our patient population, e.g., Arabic). Thank you for giving us permission to speak with you about this study. Do you have any questions?"