

# Private wells & PFAS Information forum



**Thursday, March 23, 2023, 7:00pm**  
**Upper Town Hall & Zoom**

Do you have questions about your well and PFAS? Join the Harvard Board of Health for answers to:

- What are PFAS?
- Where in Massachusetts and Harvard are PFAS being found?
- When do I need to add a water purifying system?
- Is there any financial help for private well owners?
- How can I advocate for more help & information?

In-person at Town Hall or on Zoom. Please check Board of Health website for last-minute venue changes (due to snow, COVID-19, or technical issues). Zoom Meeting information below.

The program (order might change due to speaker availability).

MA Dept of Environmental Protection <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mary Jude Pigsley</li><li>• Andrea Briggs</li></ul>	Define PFAS, explain current State & federal regulations, discuss DEP private well testing results & best practices in MA
RCAP Solutions <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Jim Starbard, Madison Wellman</li></ul>	Report on testing private wells across MA (other water quality issues)
The Health Foundation of Central MA <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dr Amie Shei</li></ul>	Advocacy work for private well owners for low interest loans
Legislature in MA <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sen Jamie Eldridge</li><li>• Rep Dan Sena</li></ul>	Legislative support: Proposed bill: <i>"An Act Promoting Drinking Water Quality for All"</i> (bill numbers HD.3322/SD.2387)
Local advocates <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Laurie Nehring, PACE</li><li>• Laurel Schaidler, Silent Spring Inst.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Grass roots advocacy</li><li>• Silent Spring's health studies, research</li></ul>
Town of Harvard <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tim Kilhart, Tim Bragan</li><li>• Board of Health</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Well water quality in Harvard</li><li>• Advocacy for residents (local regulations, former Ft Devens RAB)</li></ul>

If possible, please submit questions by March 19 to [boh@harvard-ma.gov](mailto:boh@harvard-ma.gov) so speakers can prepare answers in advance.

**Zoom Meeting ID: 889 5924 6793 and Passcode: 580170**

We hope you'll be able to join us.