

Goals and Priorities Email Response Guide

PLEASE SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS BY 5:00 PM on FRIDAY, APRIL 16, 2021.

Please review the draft Health Study Goals and Priorities linked [here](#). Written comments with the subject line **“Public Comment”** should be emailed to alisohealthstudy@ph.lacounty.gov.

In your written response, please indicate your neighborhood of residence and consider answering the following questions indicating your level of concern and/or interest.

1. Do you have any reactions or thoughts that you would like to share with the Scientific Oversight Committee about the draft Study goals?
2. Please identify your level of concern and/or interest (most/less/least concerned or interested) in the following short-term health impacts.
 - a. Physical Symptoms
 - b. Mental and emotional symptoms
3. Please identify your level of concern and/or interest (most/less/least concerned or interested) in the following intermediate-term health impacts.
 - a. Birth Outcomes
 - b. Maternal Health
 - c. Child Development
4. Please identify your level of concern and/or interest (most/less/least concerned or interested) in the following long-term health impacts.
 - a. Cancers
 - b. Respiratory (lung) health
 - c. Mental and emotional health
 - d. Immune system health
 - e. Neurological (nerves, brain) health
 - f. Cardiovascular (heart, blood vessels) health
 - g. Worsening pre-existing conditions
5. Considering how social health, behavioral health, and community health and resilience can be affected by a disaster, are any of these areas of particular concern or interest to you? If so, please explain. Please refer to the definitions below.

Social health is the ability to interact and form meaningful relationships and support networks with others. Relationships that are nurturing and supportive are especially important when recovering from stressful or traumatic situations such as environmental disasters.



Behavioral health is the connection between behaviors and health/well-being. Behaviors such as eating habits, substance use, and exercise can affect physical and/or mental health.

Community health is the overall health status and functioning of a defined group of people with common characteristics and includes conditions and activities that promote, protect, and preserve health.

Community resilience is the sustained ability of communities to withstand, adapt to, and recover from adversity.

6. Considering the broad definition of exposures provided below, are there certain exposures that are of particular concern or interest to you? If so, please explain.

For the purpose of the Study, exposures will be broadly defined as: exposures to chemicals released during the Aliso Canyon blowout and well-control attempts; potential exposures to chemicals released during ongoing and current operations at the Aliso Canyon gas storage facility; exposure to social and other stressors arising from an environmental disaster and recovery efforts.

7. Please indicate your level of concern (most/less/least concerned) for the following susceptible populations.
- a. Children/infants
 - b. Older Adults (ages 65+)
 - c. Pregnant women
 - d. Pets/animals
 - e. Homeless and/or low-income
 - f. Workers
 - g. People with pre-existing conditions
 - h. Minority groups
8. Does the Aliso Canyon Disaster Health Research Study draft Goals and Priorities document largely represent what you hope the Study will focus on and prioritize?

