Biosketch for Ginny Yingling

Ginny Yingling is a senior hydrogeologist in the Environmental Health Division of the Minnesota Department of Health. She works with a team of Health Risk Assessors to evaluate human exposures to harmful chemicals in drinking water related to man-made contaminated sites. Since 2003, she has been the agency's lead investigator of perfluorochemical (PFC) contaminated sites.

Ginny received her bachelor of science degree in geology from Penn State, and her master of science degree, also in geology, from the University of Wyoming. She has over 25 years of experience working on contaminated sites - first as an environmental consultant, then at the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, and at the Department of Health since 2000.

Since 2017, she has co-chaired the Interstate Technology and Regulatory Council's PFAS Team. The team has produced seven factsheets covering various aspects of PFAS to provide readily accessible information tailored to the needs of state and federal agency staff and others working on PFAS sites. In 2019, the team will publish a more in-depth report on the state of the science and practice regarding PFAS, a PFAS risk communication tool-box, and will produce internet-based training modules. Currently the team is organizing 8-10 regional PFAS trainings that will occur between September 2018 – June 2019.