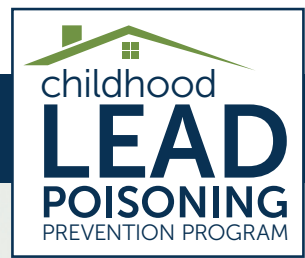


# CHILDHOOD LEAD EXPOSURE IS PREVENTABLE



Talk to your  
healthcare provider  
about getting a  
blood lead test for  
your child.

Based on blood lead test results, healthcare providers can recommend follow-up actions and care.

## DID YOU KNOW?

- + Most children exposed to lead have **NO SYMPTOMS**.
- + Children younger than 6 years old are particularly **VULNERABLE** to the effects of lead exposure.
- + Lead can cause **LEARNING** and **BEHAVIOR PROBLEMS** in children.
- + A **BLOOD LEAD TEST** is the best way to know if your child has been exposed to lead.



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# Exposure to lead can seriously harm a child's health



DAMAGE TO  
THE BRAIN &  
NERVOUS SYSTEM



SLOWED  
GROWTH &  
DEVELOPMENT



LEARNING &  
BEHAVIOR  
PROBLEMS



HEARING  
& SPEECH  
PROBLEMS

## Sources of Lead



LEAD PAINT in homes  
built before 1978



DRINKING  
WATER



TOYS &  
JEWELRY



SOIL

## Take these steps to make your home lead-safe



**TALK WITH YOUR CHILD'S DOCTOR ABOUT A SIMPLE BLOOD LEAD TEST.** If you are pregnant or nursing, talk with your doctor about exposure to sources of lead.



**TEST PAINT AND DUST IN YOUR HOME FOR LEAD** if you live in a home built before 1978. Visit the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) web page (scan QR code below) to find a certified inspector or risk assessor.



**RENOVATE SAFELY.** Common renovation activities (like sanding, cutting, replacing windows, and more) can create hazardous lead dust. Visit EPA's web page (scan QR code below) to find a certified contractor.



**REMOVE RECALLED TOYS AND TOY JEWELRY FROM CHILDREN AND DISCARD AS APPROPRIATE.** Visit the Consumer Product Safety Commission's (CPSC) web page (scan QR code below) for photos and descriptions of currently recalled toys.



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