



CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING

Ideas for Taking Action

Wisconsin Environmental Public Health Tracking Program



TAKING ACTION

We know it's a challenge to translate data into action. To help get you started, we created a short menu of potential strategies for addressing childhood lead poisoning. To help communities of all sizes and resource levels, we organized this guide by the scope of the strategy, from addressing knowledge, attitudes, and skills to addressing laws and policies. Each strategy contains links to more resources.

INDIVIDUAL LEVEL | Knowledge, Attitudes, Skills

- Encourage families in high-risk areas to [get their children tested for lead poisoning](#) at the appropriate ages.
- Encourage community members to [seek out certified lead-safe renovation contractors](#).
- Educate people who work with lead on the job or as a hobby on ways to [reduce their exposure](#).

INTERPERSONAL LEVEL | Family, Friends, Social Networks

- Educate doctors about the importance of having [children tested for lead poisoning](#).
- Educate doctors to ask patients about their [jobs and hobbies that might involve lead](#).

ORGANIZATIONAL LEVEL | Organizations, Schools, Workplaces

- Educate staff at worksites that have lead about how to [prevent lead from going home](#).
- Educate contractors about the [advantages of lead certification](#).
- Work with child care settings to [talk with parents of children in their care](#).

COMMUNITY LEVEL | Design, Access, Connectedness, Spaces

- Encourage neighborhood organizations to [talk to residents about lead hazards](#).
- [Eliminate lead-based paint](#) in homes.

POLICY LEVEL | National or Local Laws and Policies

- Encourage worksites to [develop policies to minimize exposure to lead](#) and lead dust leaving the facility.
- Promote existing policy around [certified lead-safe renovation](#).
- Promote housing rehabilitation [loan and grant programs](#).

Find more strategies and explore childhood lead poisoning data at dhs.wisconsin.gov/epht.

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