

Universal Blood Lead Screening of Children Under 6 years of Age



It's Mandatory! All Children Should Be Screened For Lead.

SCREENING REQUIREMENTS:

Medical providers offering routine care to children ages 6 months to 72 months who reside or spend more than 10 hours per week in any Louisiana parish **MUST** have children screened in accordance with practices consistent with the current Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and Louisiana Medicaid guidelines and in compliance with Louisiana Administrative Code (LAC) 48: V 7005, 7007 and 7009.

HOW TO REPORT:

Louisiana Healthy Homes and Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (LHHCLPPP)
1450 Poydras Street, Suite 2046
New Orleans, LA 70112
Phone: (504) 568-8254
Fax: (504) 568-8253

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS:

1. Medical providers and laboratories are required to report all blood lead levels to the Lead Poisoning Prevention Program regardless of value.
2. *Blood lead levels 5ug/dL or greater should be reported immediately.* Medical providers are required to submit the **Lead Case Reporting Form** and the **Environmental Lead Investigation Form** immediately to the Lead Poisoning Prevention Program, which can be found at ldh.la.gov/lead.
3. Follow the **CDC Lead Poisoning Management Summary Chart** (see reverse) to determine when a child needs a repeat blood lead level test, when to make a referral, or when an environmental inspection is needed.
4. Fax the completed **forms** to the Lead Poisoning Prevention Program at 504-568-8253

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Management Guidelines for Follow-up Blood Lead Screening

Screen all children at 1 year old and again at 2 years old, regardless of initial results.
All capillary blood lead level results that are >5 should be confirmed with a venous test within the recommended timeframe.



BLL (ug/dL)	Confirmation of CAPILLARY Test with VENOUS Test	MEDICAL Follow-up VENOUS Test	The Lead Poisoning Prevention Program Case Management Follow-up
≤ 4.9	No Confirmation	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
5 - 9	Venous Test Within 3 Months	Venous Test Within 3 Months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter mailed to parents regarding the new reference value and need for retest within 3 months Follow-up BLL Monitoring Environmental Investigation Lead Education and Nutrition Counseling
10 - 14	Venous Test Within 3 Months	Test Every 3 Months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow-up BLL Monitoring Environmental Investigation Lead Education and Nutrition Counseling
15 - 19	Venous Test Within 1 Month	Test Every 2 Months	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow-up BLL Monitoring Environmental Investigation Lead Education and Nutrition Counseling
20 - 44	Venous Test Within 1 Week	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Test Monthly Lab Work: Hemoglobin Treat Low Iron Levels 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow-up BLL Monitoring Environmental Investigation Lead Education and Nutrition Counseling Referral for Developmental Screening
45 - 69	Venous Test Within 3 Days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Test Monthly Chelation Therapy Lab Work: Hemoglobin Treat Low Iron Levels 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow-up BLL Monitoring Environmental Investigation Lead Education and Nutrition Counseling Referral for Developmental Screening
> 69	Venous Test Immediately	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Test Monthly Chelation Therapy Lab Work: Hemoglobin Treat Low Iron Levels 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow-up BLL Monitoring Environmental Investigation Lead Education and Nutrition Counseling Referral for Developmental Screening