LEAD POISONING PREVENTION GUIDELINES FOR CARE PROVIDERS

Medical providers providing routine care to children ages 6 months to 72 months must have children screened* in accordance with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines, which include the following:

♦ Administration of risk assessment questionnaire at every well baby visit.
♦ Blood lead testing at ages 1 and 2, or if between 3 and 6 years of age and not previously tested.

Reporting requirements
1. Physicians are required to report blood lead levels that are 15 µg/dL or greater immediately to LACLPPP.
2. Physicians are required to submit Environmental Lead Investigation Form immediately to LACLPPP with blood lead levels that are 15 µg/dL - 19 µg/dL after 2 venous tests or ≥ 20 µg/dL.
3. Follow LACLPPP Summary Chart Lead Poisoning Management to determine when a child needs to repeat a blood lead level test, when to make a referral, or when an environmental inspection is needed.

Required reporting information
1. Complete LACLPPP Lead Case Reporting Form, then fax to 504-219-4452.
2. Complete the Request for Environmental Lead Investigation Form if needed, then fax to 504-219-4452.

For more information about lead poisoning, reporting requirements or referral, contact:
Louisiana Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (LACLPPP)
Tel.: (504) 219-4413
Toll Free: 1-800-242-3112
Fax: (504) 219-4452
http://www.genetics.dhh.louisiana.gov

* LAC 48:V.7005, 7007 and 7009 requires universal blood lead screening in designated high risk parishes: Orleans, Tensas, West Carroll, Morehouse.