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#### UPDATES...

Lead Inspector/Risk Assessor refreshers

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Subsidized Funded Housing Data Sharing

# BACKGROUND: "402" OF THE TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL ACT

- 1992 Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act, also known as Title X, was enacted to develop a national strategy to build an infrastructure necessary to eliminate lead-based paint hazards in housing
- Title X amended TSCA by adding Title IV Lead Exposure Reduction Section "402" of Title IV
- Rule fully in effect since June 23, 2008

# BACKGROUND: "402" OF THE TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL ACT

- "402" of Title IV established regulations to ensure that individuals engaged in lead-based paint activities:
  - are properly trained
  - that training programs are accredited
  - that contractors are certified
- Also, State or Tribes can seek to:
  - administer and enforce the regulations
  - become the administrator for authorization of such a program

### WHAT DOES THIS MEAN IN CT?

- CT DPH is the administrator of the environmental health professionals in lead disciplines
  - Connecticut General Statutes, Chapter 400c - Lead Abatement Consultants, Contractors and Workers

### WHO MAY OBTAIN A LICENSE?

- License a company shall obtain a license
  - <u>Lead Abatement Contractor License</u> for companies that perform lead hazard reduction by means of abatement
  - <u>Lead Consultant Contractor License</u> for companies that perform lead hazard reduction consultation work

#### WHO MAY OBTAIN A CERTIFICATION?

- Certification an individual shall obtain a certification
  - <u>Licensed Lead Abatement Contractors</u> shall employee a certified lead abatement supervisor (to oversee lead abatement work) and certified lead abatement workers (to perform lead abatement work)
  - <u>Licensed Lead Consultant Contractors</u> shall employee certified lead inspectors, lead inspector risk assessors and/or lead planner-project designers to perform lead hazard reduction consultation work

#### STRATEGIES TO ACHIEVE COMPLIANCE?

- Frequently communicating with approved lead training providers
- Auditing classes being facilitated by approved lead training providers
- Educating code enforcement officials annually during the LI/RA refreshers and via circular letters
- Educating potential applicants on the requirements to obtain credentials
- Maintaining current credentialing applications on the DPH website
- Working with the Environmental Practitioner Licensing Unit to troubleshoot any credentialing challenges
- Conducting onsite compliance assistance inspections at lead abatement job sites
- Pursuing legal action for any licensing violations

### 402 COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE FORM



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#### CT DPH LEAD AND HEALTHY HOMES PROGRAM TSCA 402 INSPECTION

Address of Activity:			
Property owner:			
Site Name:			
Site Address:			
Apartment #:	Floor:		
City:	Zip Code:		
Use of property (check all that apply):  a. Residential: Yes No  b. Other (specify):  Reason for inspection: Random For cause Type of inspection: TSCA 402 Lead-I Cause for lead abatement project: If LHD Ordered Lead Abateme Scope of lead abatement project: (ch	Rental: Multi-fami  Multi-fami  Core properties  Based Paint Activities  LHD Ordered  ent, mark date of appr	Owner-occupied:  ly Single family:  ogram Citizen's  Training and/or Certifica  HUD funded Volu	Complaint tion intary
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Lead Abatement Contractor Inform			
Name and function of person interview			
Contractor Name:			
Business Address:			
City:	State:	Zip Code	
Telephone #:	Fax #:	•	<del></del>
License # [CGS 20-475, RCSA 20-478-2(a)]:		Expiration Date:	
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Certificate #:	Expiration Date:		
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Lead Abatement: Was a copy of the	lead abatement plan a	t the site? Yes 🔲 No 🔲	
Current work phase: (i.e., initial setup, v	vork in progress, final clea	ning, clearance dust wipe sampl	ing, etc.)?

Signage and Access:  Are warnings (8 ½ x 11) posted at all entry ways, common areas (if applicable)? Yes No Is access restricted from entry of unprotected people to the work area? [RCSA 19a-111-7(a) and 7(b)] Yes No Containment:    Floors covered w/2 layers of poly   Entrance to work area   Vents sealed   Belongings sealed and/or removed from work area
Hygiene Facilities and Practices:  Were food or beverages present inside the work area? [RCSA 19a-111-6(e)(1)] Yes No If yes, describe:  Were proper handwashing/shower facilities present at the work site? [RCSA 19a-111-6(e)(8)] Yes No Is there a designated change area for workers? Yes No Is the designated change area designed so that contamination of the residence and worker's personal belongings are prevented? Yes No In No In Is the designated change area designed so that contamination of the residence and worker's personal belongings are prevented? Yes No In No In Indiana American No Indiana No I
Waste Disposal: Who is responsible for disposal of lead-contaminated waste? Property Owner Is the waste stored in a secure location and contained? Yes No
Notes:

### COMPLIANCE ASSISTANCE VISITS

What we see on the jobsite.... things we CAN'T make up!!!

## EXAMPLE 1

Liquid Encapsulants

### LIQUID ENCAPSULANTS

- What liquid encapsulants can you use for lead abatement?
  - Can you use paint?
  - Can you use any liquid encapsulant that you purchase at a paint store?
  - Can you use a liquid encapsulant approved by HUD?

### LIQUID ENCAPSULANTS

- Would this product look acceptable to you?
- Yes? No? Maybe?
- How do you know?



#### LIQUID ENCAPSULTANTS

- All liquid encapsulants must be approved by DPH
- Although other products are sold, and even approved by HUD, they MUST be approved by DPH
- All approved encapsulants are listed on the "Lead and Healthy Homes Program Registry of Authorized Encapsulant Products"
  - http://www.ct.gov/dph/lib/dph/environmental\_health/lead/pdf/english\_registry\_11-22-11.pdf

#### LIQUID ENCAPSULTANTS

#### **Resolution:**

- Rather than fining the lead abatement contractor, DPH required the lead abatement contractor to "re" encapsulate the previously encapsulated surfaces with a DPH approved liquid encapsulant
- This costed the lead abatement contractor approximately \$4,000 (the cost of the liquid encapsulant and labor costs)

### EXAMPLE 2

Improper Containment

### EXTERIOR CONTAINMENT

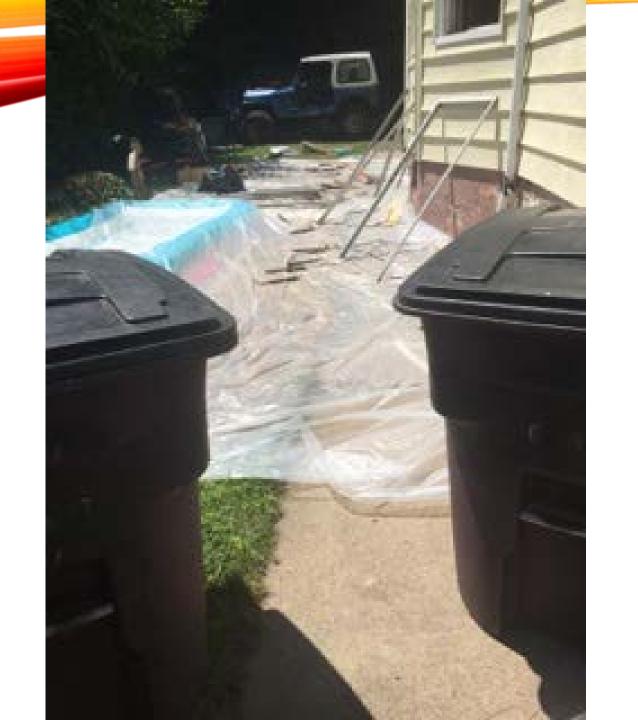
What's wrong with these pictures?









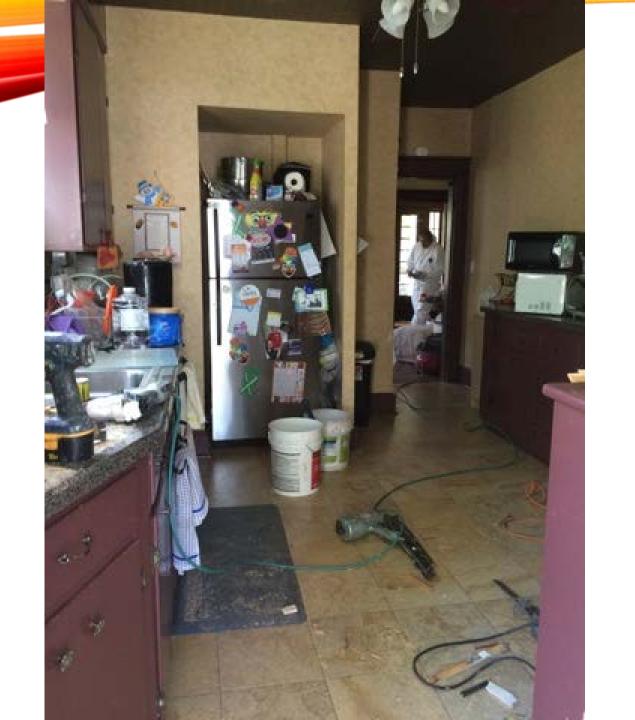




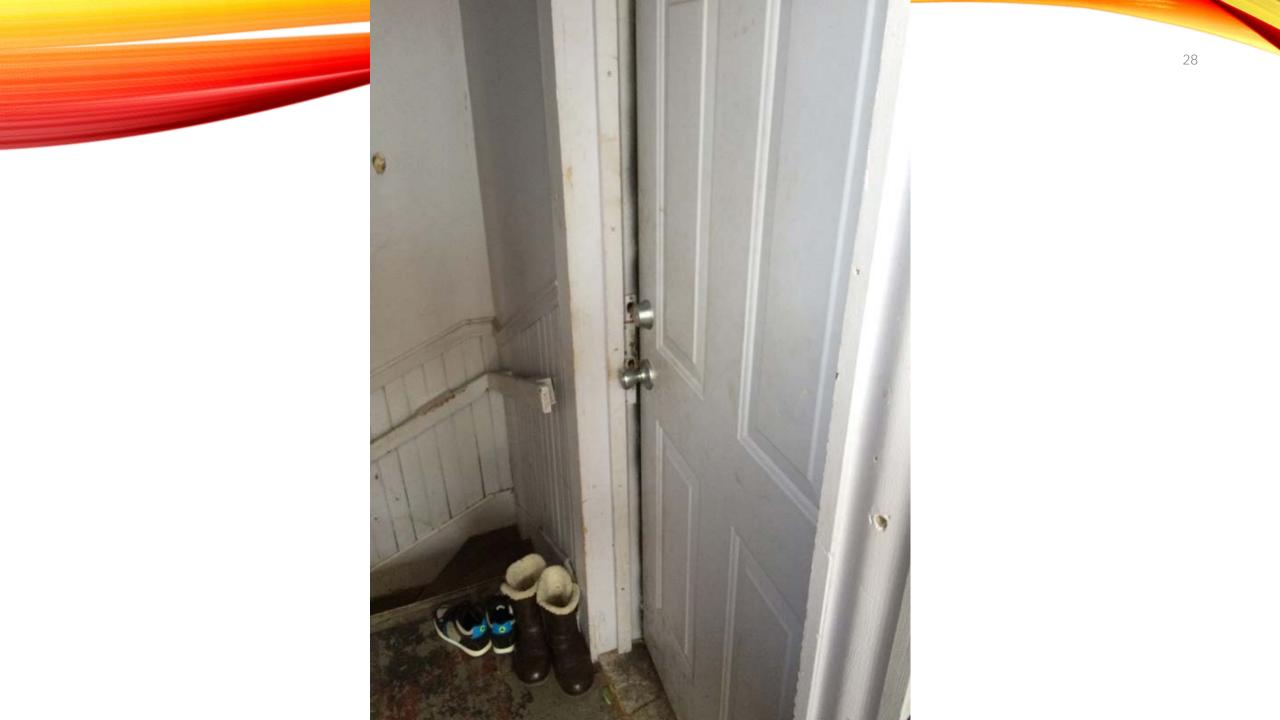
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# CONTAINMENT EXTERIOR AND INTERIOR

- It is the responsibility of the lead abatement contractor who is performing lead abatement work to ensure that:
  - all resident's belonging are protected
  - all doors and windows are closed
  - all employees stay within the confined work areas
  - all non employees stay "out" of the confirmed work areas

# CONTAINMENT EXTERIOR AND INTERIOR

#### **Resolution:**

- Monetary fines
- Job site monitoring to ensure that this does not occur again
- "Re"educating the staff on the job of their requirements to have a secured work environment
- Suggesting that an abatement contractor STOP work if there are any violations, as this ultimately is their responsibility and they will face enforcement actions

## EXAMPLE 3

Non-Licensed/Certified Work Practices

#### NON-LICENSED/CERTIFIED WORK PRACTICES



#### UNLICENSED/CERTIFIED WORK PRACTICES

#### **Lookup Detail View**

#### Name and Address

Name	DBA
OLD YANKEE INC	OLD YANKEE PAINTING & REFINISHING

Registration Information

Registration #	Registration Type	
HIC.0673138	HOME IMPROVEMENT CONTRACTOR	

#### UNLICENSED/CERTIFIED WORK PRACTICES

#### Problems we've seen:

- Uncertified lead abatement workers
- Uncertified lead abatement supervisors
- Uncertified lead inspector/risk assessors
- Uncertified lead planner/projects designers
- Unlicensed lead abatement contractors
- Unlicensed lead consultant contractors
- RRP contractors (not abatement contractors)
- Home Improvement Contracts (not abatement contractors)

#### UNLICENSED/CERTIFIED WORK PRACTICES

#### **Resolution:**

- Monetary fines
- Job site monitoring to ensure that this does not occur again
- "Re"educating the staff on the job of their requirements to be a certified lead practitioner
- "Re" educating the company of their requirements to be licensed lead practitioner
- Stopping work until licensed company is hired or certified individuals are employed

## EXAMPLE 4

Failure to Report

#### FAILURE TO REPORT

#### PART I- EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A combined Lead-Based Paint Inspection and Risk Assessment was performed at

The combined Lead-Based Paint Inspection and Risk
Assessment was performed for the Lead Action for Medicaid Primary Prevention (LAMPP)
Program on September 10, 2014. A historic review letter has been sent to the Connecticut
Coronission on Culture and Tourism and the results are pending. The site building consists of a
sing residential building.

Three (3) children under six (6) years old resided in the dwelling at the time of inspection. The State of Connecticut Lead Poisoning Prevention and Control Regulations (19a-111-1 through 19a-111-11) along with U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) regulations apply to the site building. None of the children had an Elevated Blood-Lead Level (EBLL) at the time of inspection; however, two (2) of the children had levels that at or above the level of concern, which is 5  $\mu$ g/dl set forth by the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

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#### FAILURE TO REPORT

- Based on a review of the Lead-Based Paint Inspection performed, toxic levels of lead were found that require lead abatement
- CT General Statutes 20-478, require licensed lead consultant contractors to attest to complying with the 19a-111 regulations
- The company violated the regulatory requirement that when an inspector "finds a toxic level of lead requiring abatement, the inspector <u>shall</u> report this to the owner, local director of health, and the commissioner"

#### FAILURE TO REPORT

#### **Resolution:**

- Monetary fines
- "Re"educating the company of their requirements to report to the property owner, local health director and the Commissioner of DPH

## EXAMPLE 5

Improper Dust Wipe Sampling

### IMPROPER DUST WIPE SAMPLING

DPH Investigator witnessed a certified lead inspector/risk assessor:

- Not taking any measurements of the areas sampled for dust clearance on the floors and window wells
  - Dust wipe samples are a mass per unit volume measurement and accurate lab analysis cannot occur without the dimensions of the surfaces sampled
  - The surface area dimensions must be included on the laboratory submittal form, so that laboratory personnel can calculate the results in 'micrograms per square foot
- Not wearing disposable gloves while taking dust wipe samples
  - The results of those dust wipes determine re-occupancy of the dwelling and are considered inaccurate
  - Disposable gloves are worn throughout the sampling procedure

# PROPER DUST WIPE SAMPLING (WITH A MEASURING DEVICE AND GLOVES)



#### IMPROPER DUST WIPE SAMPLING

#### **Resolution:**

- Monetary fines
- "Re"educating the individual of proper dust wipe sampling requirements/techniques/best practices

### EPA INVESTIGATIONS



### TRAINING PROVIDER 1

- Poor Training Provider Standards
  - Allowing students to attend only part of an initial training class or part of a refresher class issuing a certificate
  - Selling initial and refresher certificates without having students attend a class (meeting students at public places like C-Town, Dunkin' Donuts, etc.)

#### TRAINING PROVIDER 2

- Poor Training Provider Standards
  - Allowing students to attend only part of a week long class and issuing a certificate for extra money
  - Students failing a test intentionally (EPA agent), but still being issued a certificate