

A stylized, colorful illustration of a landscape. The foreground features rolling green hills with a brown path. On the left, there is a green tree, a purple flower, and an orange flower. A red bird is flying in the sky above the tree. The background consists of light blue and white wavy bands representing a sky or water.

Lead Safe Housing Rule Amendment

What's Happening?



Reminders

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- The Amendment adopts the CDC's level of concern of 5 $\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$
- The Amendment requires a lead risk assessment and environmental health questionnaire for:
 - any federally subsidized Housing Choice Voucher Program unit
 - child less than 6 years of age resides and has an elevated blood lead level of 5 $\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$ or greater

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- There are several differences between HUD's requirements and CT regulations:
 - HUD risk assessment = triggers CT regulations
 - CT regulations would require LHDs to complete the lead inspection
 - But, HUD requires that more strict rules be followed
 - Therefore, the inspections will be comprehensive
 - Completed by lead consultants (unless an arrangement with a LHD has been made in advance)



DPH Updates

11 Contracts

- *Contracts with:*
 - *Public Housing Authorities (PHAs)*
 - *Cities – Housing Division*
 - *Housing Firms*

PHAs	Cities	Housing Firms
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Next Steps

- HUD sent communication to all PHAs (35 more)
- PHAs will be required to execute a confidentiality agreement with DPH
 - HUD CT Field Office and HUD Region 1 Boston will too
- Once agreements are executed, PHAs will begin sharing data with DPH
- DPH will match quarterly blood lead level data with PHA data
- Matches = comprehensive lead inspection = Non-EBLL case

Next Steps

- *DPH is developing materials for:*
 - *Public Housing Authorities and Housing Firms*
 - *Landlords*
 - *Lead Consultants*
- *DPH materials include:*
 - *Step by step checklists*
 - *Information on required inspections*
 - *Information on the role of local health departments*
 - *Information on HUD funded programs for lead hazard reduction*
- *DPH's goal to launch materials is 12/1/17*

Primary Prevention



Inspections at lower blood lead levels



Healthier private rental housing



*Our Goal:
More
Healthy
Children*

Questions





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