

Procedure for any child who has
tested positive for lead between
5 – 19 mcg/dL

City of Meriden

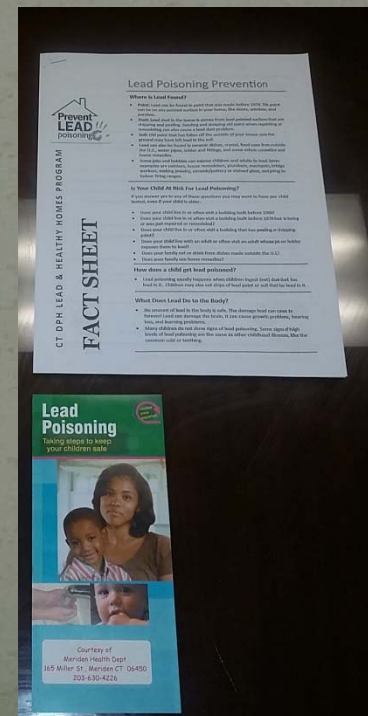
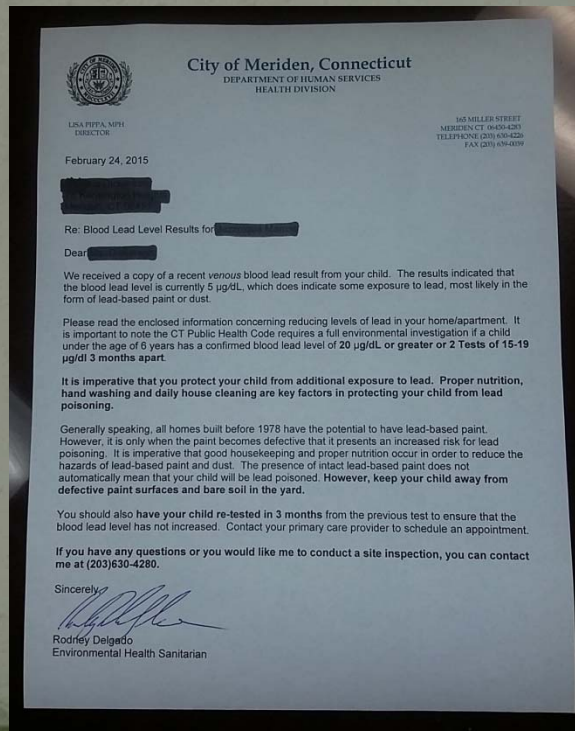
Presented by Rodney Delgado

Notification

- Whether notification comes from the MD, Community Health Center, Meriden Health Department clinic, Maven, or other means:
 - **An attempt to contact the family is made**
 - Via phone call
 - Usually given the phone number, or I try to find the phone number. (WIC, CHC/MD, Maven, etc).
 - Or home visit

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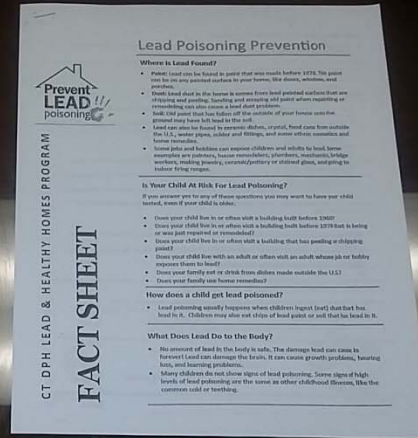
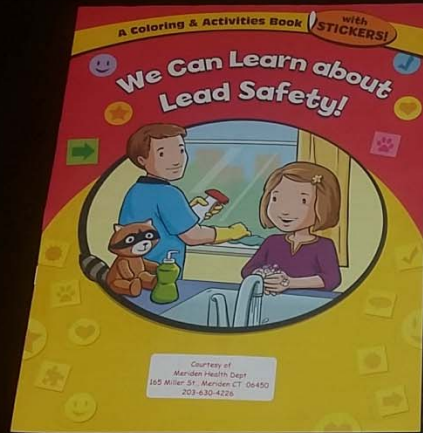
- If no contact can be made, no response to phone message, no working phone, or no response to home visit:
 - Information will be sent to home address



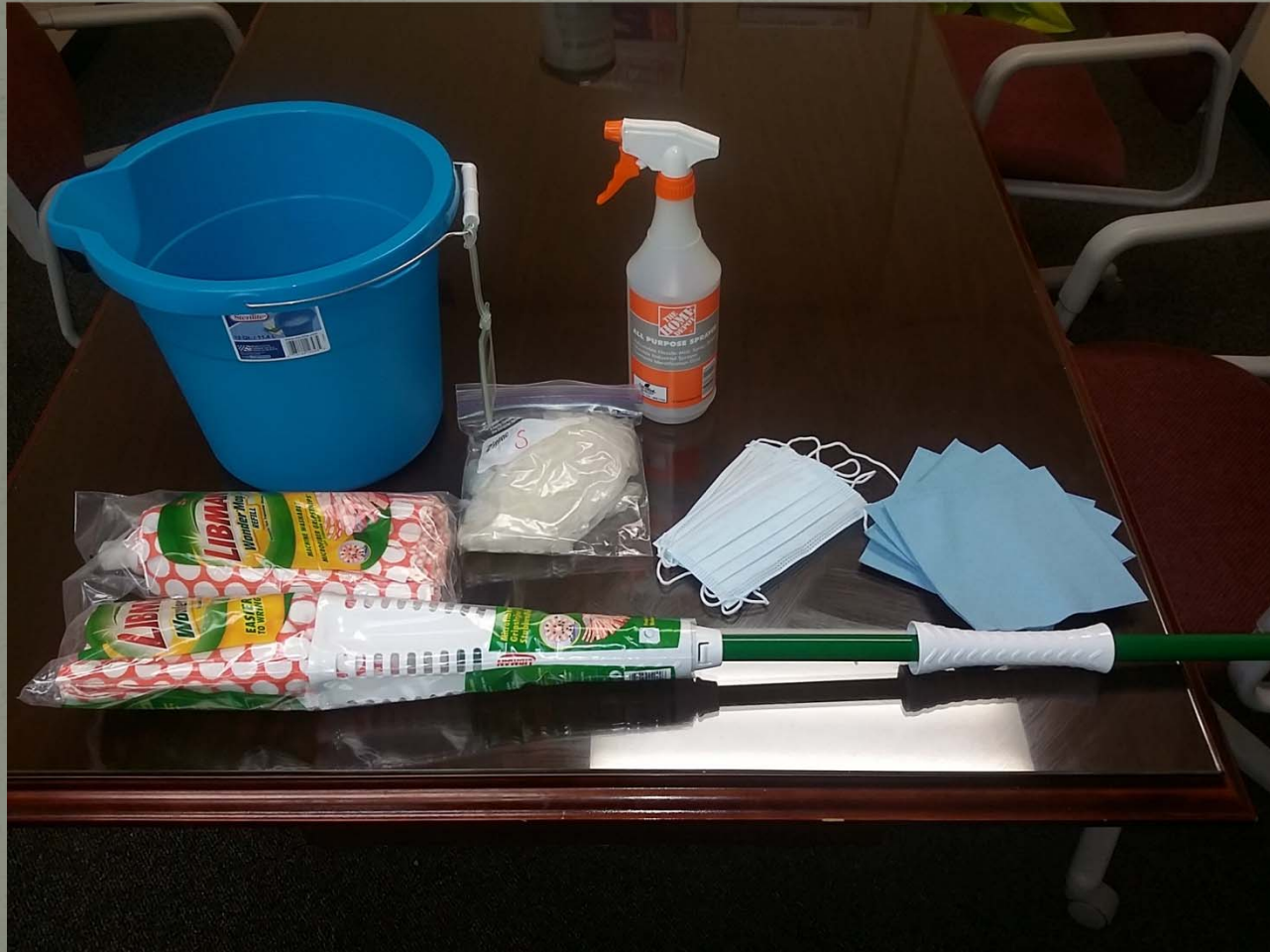
Initial Site Visit

- If contact is made, an appointment is scheduled to visit the home
 - Prior to home visit – age of home and home owner researched
- During Site Visit
 - Discuss lead, sources, precautions and a visual inspection of the home is made
 - Defective surfaces and possible exposure risks and other possible risk locations are documented (and if possible, picture are taken) and family is educated
 - In addition to the educational material given, a lead cleaning supply kit is given to each family

Lead Educational Material



Lead Cleaning Supply Kit



During Site Visit

- Cleaning techniques are discussed
- Possible lead sources are looked at and discussed (toys, ceramics, hobbies, etc.)
- Discuss any additional locations child resides/spends time at, frequents (family's homes/day cares/parks/etc)
- Any possible questions are addressed
 - Reiterating the need for proper hand washing, proper cleaning techniques and a follow up venous blood test at the appropriate time
- Encourage family to get any additional child tested (MHD or PCP) – (MHD offers free lead screenings)
- Any information about the home owner is then obtained (Name, Phone number, contact info)

After Site Visit

- Property owner/property manager is notified and a letter is sent to them regarding any possible lead risks and any defective surfaces
 - What is needed
 - Remediation techniques
 - RRP certification
 - Time line for remediation
- Reiterate that no paint samples or testing has been performed

Stabilization Letter



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HEALTH DIVISION

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November 25, 2014

Re: [REDACTED]

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

This office received a referral about a child's blood lead level residing at the above referenced address. A site inspection was conducted on November 18, 2014 by this department.

The Health Department investigates complaints received concerning defective paint conditions if a child less than six years of age resides, the tenant is pregnant, or a child frequents the property and the property was built before 1978.

Generally speaking, all homes built before 1978 have the potential to have lead-based paint. It is when the lead-based paint becomes defective that the potential for lead poisoning increases. Stabilizing all defective painted surfaces to provide "lead-safe" housing will reduce the potential of childhood lead poisoning. Unstable surfaces noted must be made stable so as to reduce the potential for lead poisoning.

No actual paint samples were submitted for laboratory analysis at this time. You may contact a private laboratory testing facility to determine the content of lead in the surfaces.

The inspection revealed chipping/peeling paint on the following interior and/or exterior surfaces:

1st Floor:

- Kitchen – Window sills, closet shelf support
- Front entrance – closet shelf support

We are requesting that all surfaces noted above be stabilized within 30 days of the date of this letter. A reinspection will be made by this office to determine compliance. **DO NOT DRY SAND OR DRY SCRAP THESE SURFACES AND DO NOT DRY SWEEP OR VACUUM (UNLESS A HEPA VACUUM IS USED) THE AREAS.** This is based on the potential for the paint to be lead-based due to the age of the structure. See enclosures for working "lead safe".

When stabilizing these surfaces, you must first wash down the areas using general purpose cleaners and water. After the area has been cleaned, apply an appropriate paint or covering. The area must be thoroughly cleaned with a general purpose cleaner before and after the work is completed. In addition, precautions must be taken to limit access to the immediate work area until the final clean up.

If it is determined that a child with an elevated blood lead resides at the above property, a full environmental investigation will be conducted and could result in a Lead Abatement Order. Therefore, it is imperative that all areas are maintained in order to reduce the potential of exposure to lead-based paint/dust.

The Health Department is pleased to announce that Meriden now has lead grant money available to property owners. The Health Department is working in cooperation with LAMPP to provide HUD lead grant funds to be used in make housing lead-safe. Please find enclosed a lead grant application. Contact LAMPP (860) 837-6241 for more information or if you have any questions.

Educational material was provided to the tenant concerning the prevention of lead poisoning and is also included for your information. Please call (203)630-4280 to schedule a reinspection or if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Rodney Delgado
Environmental Health Sanitarian

Attachments to Stabilization Letter

The image displays three documents related to lead-based paint regulations. On the left is a document titled "Guidelines to Reduce Lead Dust In Homes & Apartments" from the State of Connecticut. In the center is a yellow diamond-shaped sign that reads "KEEP IT CLEAN" with an illustration of a person cleaning. On the right is an "Enforcement Alert" from the United States Environmental Protection Agency regarding new federal lead-based paint requirements.

Guidelines to Reduce Lead Dust In Homes & Apartments

Developed by:
State of Connecticut
Department of Public Health
Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program
415, 450 Capitol Avenue
Hartford, CT 06134-0308
(860) 509-7745 or
(860) 509-7299
November 1998

Courtesy of
Mendon Health Dept
165 Miller St., Mendon CT 06450
203-630-4226

KEEP IT CLEAN

An Insider's Guide To Lead-Safe Painting And Home Improvement.

Enforcement Alert

United States Environmental Protection Agency | Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance (O201A) | EPA-325-P-009-005

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Compliance with New Federal Lead-Based Paint Requirements

Renovators must comply with new certification, training, pre-renovation notification and work practice standards

Are you a general contractor, renovation contractor, property manager, painter, plumber, carpenter, electrician? Are you paid to do work that disturbs painted surfaces? Do you work in homes, schools, day-care facilities or other buildings where children are present? Were these buildings or any houses, apartments and residences where you work constructed before 1978, when lead-based paint was still in use?

The new federal Lead-Based Paint Renovation, Repair and Painting requirements may be applicable to you. Now is the time to become an EPA-certified renovator and follow the specific work practices that prevent lead contamination.

The new requirements kick in starting in April 2010. Failure to comply with the new requirements is a violation of the law. It can cause exposure to lead and result in serious health consequences, especially for young children. Penalties can be significant.

The new requirements include notification to property owners and occupants before work begins of the potential hazards from lead-based paint disturbed during the project, certification of renovation companies, training and certification of workers, implementation of work practice standards for controlling lead-based paint dust, post-renovation cleanup requirements and post-renovation cleaning verification.

To assist you in understanding and complying with the lead-based paint rules for renovations, EPA has published the "Small Entry Compliance Guide to Renovate Right." It presents simple steps to follow to comply with EPA's lead program. The Renovate Right compliance handbook is available at www.epa.gov/lead/pubs/rlbcomplianceguide.pdf and from the National Lead Information Center at 800-424-5323.

The handbook provides more detailed information on certifications, training, work practice requirements, prohibited practices and recordkeeping provisions than is included in this Enforcement Alert. It also includes information on certain exemptions to the Rules and other useful information about the lead-based paint program.

Peeling Dist. Paint

<http://www.epa.gov/compliance/assess/wh/whmay04/wh04/rlb/index.html>

Examples of Defective Surfaces

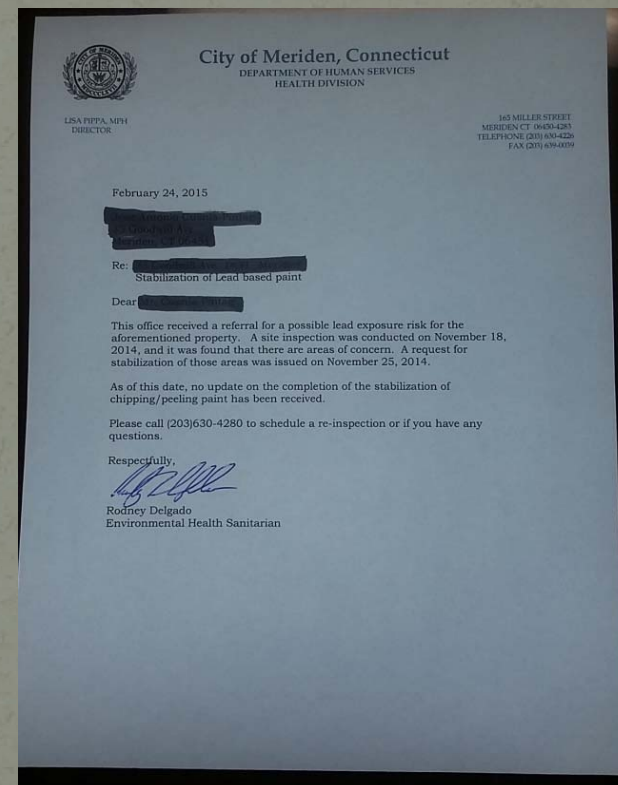


After Stabilization Letter

- Contact with home owner and family continues until remediation is complete (via phone calls, site visits and/or emails).
 - During this time, documentation is made of each contact, attempted contact and defective surface that has been stabilized
 - Site visits performed until remediation is complete
- Once remediation is complete, final site visit performed, and case is closed

During Stabilization

- While stabilization is occurring:
 - Phone calls to home owner for status on work
 - Phone calls and Site visits with family set
 - Status letter sent to property owner



Failure to Complete Stabilization

- If the home owner doesn't complete work, or doesn't start work, official order is sent
 - Site visit performed verifying the work hasn't been completed/started
- If continued, we can send the file to housing court for non-compliance

