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Get the Lead Out:

Strategies for Protecting
Children's Health and
Communities



Welcome!

We will get started soon.

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Overview

- Introduction
- EPA's Lead Strategies
- Lead and Copper Rule Revisions Update
- Community Discussion with City of Reading, PA
- Outreach Best Practices

Polls & Q&As

US EPA - Mid-Atlantic (Region 3)

Introduction – What is Lead?



Lead can be found in all parts of our environment:

- Air
- Soil
- Water
- Inside our homes











Introduction - Lead Health Effects

- There is no known safe level of exposure to lead.
- Certain groups are more vulnerable than others to lead's harmful effects, including young children under the age of six and pregnant women.
- Childhood lead exposure and lead poisoning is preventable.

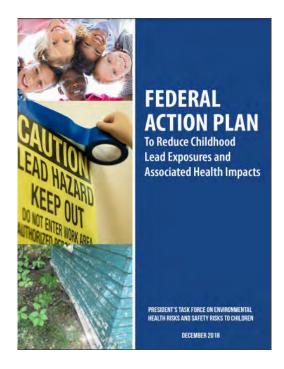


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EPA's Lead Strategies





The 2018 Federal Action Plan, 2021 EPA Draft Lead Strategy, and EPA's Strategic Plan for Fiscal Years 2022-2026 are available to read on EPA's website www.epa.gov.

4 Key Goals

- Goal 1: Reduce community exposures to lead sources
- Goal 2: Identify communities with high lead exposures and improve their health outcomes
- Goal 3: Communicate more effectively with stakeholders
- Goal 4: Support and conduct critical research to inform efforts to reduce lead exposures and related health risks

3 New Approaches

- Approach 1: Reduce lead exposures locally with a focus on communities with disparities and promote environmental justice
- Approach 2: Reduce lead exposures nationally through protective standards, analytical tools, and outreach
- Approach 3: Reduce lead exposures with a "whole of EPA" and "whole of government" approach

EPA Mid-Atlantic Region

"EPA wants to engage communities and stakeholders as we continue developing our draft Lead strategy," said EPA Mid-Atlantic Regional Administrator Adam Ortiz.

Ways to engage:

- Share information
- Provide technical assistance
- Coordinate outreach
- Collaborate with partners and stakeholders
- Take actions to achieve local goals



Yesterday, U.S. EPA Mid-Atlantic Region hosted a listening session to collect verbal input on EPA's draft Lead Strategy. We'd like your input on U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Strategy to Reduce Lead Exposures and Disparities in U.S. Communities. It's not too late to submit a written comment – the comment period is open until March 16, 2022: https://www.regulations.gov/docket/EPA-HQ-OLEM-2021-0762







Poll Question

Who is in the audience?

I am from ...

- A. Local government
- B. State government
- C. Federal government
- D. Community organization
- E. Industry
- F. Other (share in the chat)

Drinking Water Lead and Copper Rule





Drinking Water Lead and Copper Rule

History/Overview:

- LCR was promulgated in 1991
- Applies to ~ 68,000 public water system serving ~300 million people.
- EPA works continuously with primacy agencies.
- Maximum Contaminant Level Goals (MCLG)
 - Lead 0 ug/L
 - Copper 1.3 mg/L
- 90th percentile tap sampling results are compared to an action level (AL)
 - Lead 15 ug/L (ppb)
 - Copper 1.3 mg/L (ppm)



Lead and Copper Rule Revisions

LCRR Highlights:

- Identify locations of lead service lines
- Strengthen treatment requirements
- Increased lead sampling reliability
- Requires testing in schools and childcare facilities
- Established trigger level of 10 ppb
- Compliance date: October 16, 2024



Lead and Copper Rule Improvements

LCRI Focus Areas:

- Replacing All Lead Service Lines
- Strengthen compliance Tap Sampling
- Evaluate Action and Trigger Levels
- Lead Service Line Inventory requirements from LCRR are likely to remain the same
- Prioritizing Historically Underserved Communities
- EPA intends to promulgate the Lead and Copper Rule Improvements prior to **October 16, 2024**







Poll Question

Does your home have a lead service line?

A. Yes

B. No

C. I don't know

Reducing Lead in the Community

Community Discussion with

City of Reading, PA





U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Lead Awareness Curriculum Train-the-Trainer Session



To Learn More or to Register, Scan the QR Code with your Mobile Phone



Dates in 2021

Thursday, October 14
Tuesday, October 19
Wednesday, October 27
Wednesday, November 3
Tuesday, November 9

To Register

www.epa.gov/lead/ local-training-and -outreach#webinars

For more information and/or to download the Lead Awareness Curriculum, go to: epa.gov/lead/tribal-lead-curriculum

The Lead Awarenecs Currioulum is a currioulum built for community leaders to help tribes and communities profeol children from potential lead exposure and lead poisoning.



EPA RRP CONTRACTOR CERTIFICATION



EPA Lead-Safe Certification for Renovation, Repair and Painting (RRP) Training Course

One-Day Initial RRP Contractor Certification Training at NO COST to You!



To Learn More or to Register, Scan the QR Code with your Mobile Phone

SIGN UP NOW, SEATS ARE LIMITED.

Date: Thursday, October 28, 2021

Location: Comfort Inn

2200 Stacey Dr. Reading, PA 19605

To Register: Call (513) 372-6232 or with coupon code Leadsafety21 at https:// proactivesafetyservices.com/classes/reading-epa-rrpinitial-certification-lead-renovator-training-readingpa-10-28-2021/



For more information on the RRP Rule, go to: www.epa.gov/lead

The federal EPA Renovation, Repair and Painting (RRP) rule affects all contractors who may disturb lead-based paint on homes and child care canters built before 1978. This training meets EPA and HUO requirements for lead-safe work practices.



Poll Question

What do you think would help your own community address local lead issues?

- A. Developing a Local Lead Action Plan
- B. Lead education for the community
- C. Training contractors to work lead-safe
- D. Making a lead coalition of partners and stakeholders
- E. Grant funding to abate lead in homes
- F. Other (share in the chat)

Outreach Best Practices for Identifying and Working with Communities

Children are not little adults!

- There is no "one size fits all" approach to identifying with whom we work.
- Children are often more likely to be at risk from environmental hazards than adults because of:
 - Unique activity patterns and behavior.
 - Physiological differences.
 - Windows of susceptibility during early lifestages including fetal development and puberty.
- Children are also dependent upon adults to ensure that their environment is safe.

Partnering is key

- Use of data-informed approach to identify areas with pre-1978 housing, and children aged 5 and younger, low income, etc.
- Partnering and ground-truthing is crucial:
 - Federal Family; State, City, Local Governments and Agencies;
 - Community- and Faith-Based Organizations;
 - Grantees;
 - PEHSU (Pediatric Environmental Health Specialty Unit): https://www1.villanova.edu/university/nursing/macche.html





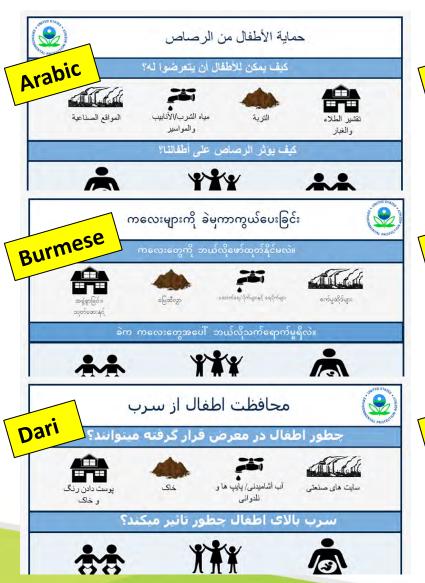


Clarksburg, West Virginia

R3 Lead Infographic



drinking & cooking







Translations

8 additional languages



Coming soon...

Children's Healthy Home Environment App









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Poll Question

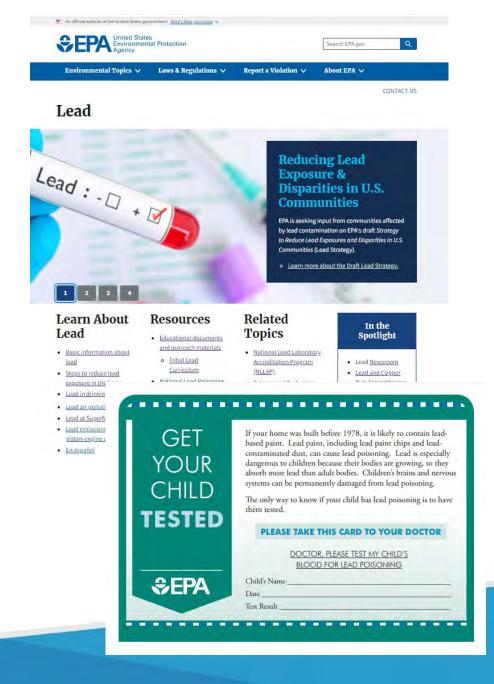
Would you be interested in attending lead webinars in the future about:

- A. Blood-lead reference levels
- B. Developing a local lead action plan
- C. Understanding lead and actions to reduce lead exposures
- D. Discussions with communities who are working to reduce lead
- E. Lead-safe renovations and repairs
- F. Other (write ideas in the chat)

Questions and Answers

EPA's Lead Resources

- Lead Website: www.epa.gov/lead
 - EPA's Lead Curriculum
 - Free infographics, brochures, and more
 - Spanish language: https://espanol.epa.gov/plomo
- Lead Hotline: 1 (800) 424-LEAD [5323]
 - Free public hotline for questions about lead
- Report a Violation website: <u>www.epa.gov/tips</u>
 - Anyone can fill out a short form to submit a tip to report potential lead violations





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