



Lead Paint

Did you know?

Lead paint dust in older homes is the main way children are exposed to lead. Even low levels of lead can affect a child's learning and behavior.

Action Plan

- ❑ If your home was built before 1978, or you are not sure how old your home is, talk with your local health department or call the EPA's National Lead Information Center (1-800-424-LEAD) about getting your home tested for lead.
- ❑ Renters: If peeling paint is present, talk to your landlord. If you are unsatisfied with their response, talk with your local health or housing department, or go to www.lawhelpny.org to find free legal aid.
- ❑ Homeowners: Keep your children away from peeling paint. Fix peeling paint and make home repairs safely (your local department of health can provide information on lead-safe methods).
- ❑ Your child should get tested for lead at their 1 and 2-year-old doctor visit. Older children should get tested if you are concerned about a potential lead exposure.

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Resources

If you are concerned about lead paint in your home, contact your local health department or visit the NYS Department of Health website: health.ny.gov/environmental/lead

For services and resources provided by the Lead Poisoning Treatment and Prevention program serving the Hudson Valley region, visit cham.org (search "Lead Poisoning Treatment & Prevention Program.")

To learn more about lead, visit epa.gov/lead

For county-specific information on lead exposure and prevention:

Dutchess County	dutchessny.gov (click "Document search" in the dropdown and search "Lead Poisoning Prevention")
Orange County	orangecountygov.com (search "Lead Poisoning Prevention")
Putnam County	putnamcountyny.com (search "Lead Screening Tests Help Children")
Rockland County	rocklandgov.com (search "Lead Poisoning Prevention Program")
Ulster County	ulstercountyny.gov/health (click "Preventive Education" and "Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention")
Westchester County	health.westchester.gov (search "Lead Poisoning Prevention")

For more information, visit: nyscheck.org/rxs

To request an environmental telehealth consultation with one of the experts at the Children's Environmental Health Center of the Hudson Valley, please call 914-493-7585.

