

FREE BLOOD LEAD SCREENING

For Harrison County residents who are less than 6 years old and are unable to obtain a blood lead test from a healthcare provider or do not have a provider.



- Lead poisoning is preventable.
- Talk to your healthcare provider about a blood test for your child.
- More information is available at dhr.wv.gov/wvchildhoodleadpoisoning.

To schedule an appointment, call (304) 623-9308.
Walk-ins also welcome – if not possible to do test on the spot you will be scheduled for one.



Available at the Harrison-Clarksburg Health Department, 330 West Main Street in Clarksburg.

PROTECTING CHILDREN FROM LEAD



How Can Children Be Exposed?



Peeling paint & dust



Soil



Drinking water/pipes & plumbing



Industrial sites

How Does Lead Affect Children?



Damage to brain & nervous system

Hearing & speech problems

Lower IQ



Learning & behavior problems

Slowed growth & development

Decreased attention



Risk of miscarriage

Your baby may be born too early or too small

Damage to your baby's brain, kidneys, & nervous system

Who Is Most Vulnerable?



Those living in homes built before 1978



Children under 6 years old



Those living near former lead smelters

Simple Steps You Can Take to Reduce Exposure



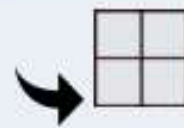
Remove shoes before entering the house



Wash hands, bottles, pacifiers & toys often



Run faucet on cold for 1-2 minutes if water hasn't been used for 6 hours or more.



Wet clean floors & window sills often



Have your child tested for lead



Renovate safely

www.epa.gov/lead



Children's meals high in calcium & iron



Use point of use filter NSF/ANSI standard 53 along with claim of lead reduction



Use cold water for drinking & cooking