



What You Need to Know About Lead in Monroe County

Childhood lead poisoning is serious. It can cause a number of health issues including:



Learning Disabilities



Speech & Language Problems



Behavior Problems



Decreased Muscle & Bone Growth

What are the Main Sources of Lead Poisoning?



Paint in homes built before 1978



Renovation Projects that don't follow lead safe work practices

But What About Water Fountains at School?



Lead found in water does NOT pose a significant risk for children. There are NO documented cases of lead poisoning through tap water in Monroe County. Almost all cases of lead poisoning locally occur from paint dust and chips found in older homes.

So What Can I Do About Lead Poisoning?



Be Informed

Understand that lead hazards may exist in your child's environment.



Know their Results

If your child's blood level is 5 ug/dL or more call the Department of Health to figure out where the lead is in your home 585-753-5087.



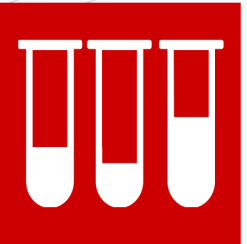
Get Tested

Have your child tested for lead at age one.



Request a FREE Home Inspection

If you live/own/rent a home in the City of Rochester built before 1978 call 585-428-6520 for a free inspection.



Get Tested Again

Have your child tested again at age two. It's VERY important to get that second test.



Hire Certified Professionals

Renovating your home? Be sure to hire an EPA Renovation Repair and Painting certified professional.

I'm Still Worried about Lead in my Water – What Can I Do?



Run your tap for several minutes before drinking and/or get a water filter that attaches to the faucet (such as PUR) and filters for lead. Brita filters DO NOT filter for lead.



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