

Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program Health Care Provider Lead Screening Questionnaire

Name of patient: _____ Date: _____ Age of child: _____

Anticipatory guidance regarding lead hazard identification and risk reduction measures should be a routine part of an ongoing educational approach for pregnant women, children and their families. The goal of lead screening is to identify children who may have been exposed to lead, provide interventions and reduce the risk of exposure. All children should be assessed for risk of lead poisoning by administration of the following questionnaire. **This questionnaire should be administered at 1 and 2 years of age or between 3 and 5 years of age if not previously screened.** If the answer to any of these questions is “Yes” or “Don’t know” a blood lead test should be performed. Follow up questions may be needed to clarify responses.

Please circle the answers to the following questions:

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| Has your child lived in or regularly visited a home, child care or other building built before 1950? | Yes Don't Know | No |
| Has your child lived in or regularly visited a home, child care or other building built before 1978 with recent or ongoing painting, repair and/or remodeling? | Yes Don't Know | No |
| Is your child enrolled in or attending a Head Start program? | Yes Don't Know | No |
| Does your child have a brother, sister, other relative, housemate or playmate with lead poisoning? | Yes Don't Know | No |
| Does your child spend time with anyone that has a job or hobby where they may work with lead? <i>Examples: painting, remodeling, auto radiators, batteries, auto repair, soldering, making sinkers, bullets, stained glass, pottery, going to shooting ranges, hunting or fishing.</i> | Yes Don't Know | No |
| Do you have pottery or ceramics made in other countries or lead crystal or pewter that are used for cooking, storing or serving food or drink? | Yes Don't Know | No |
| Has your child ever taken any traditional home remedies or used imported cosmetics? <i>Examples: Azarcon, Alarcon, Greta, Rueda, Pay-loo-ah, or Kohl</i> | Yes Don't Know | No |
| Has your child been adopted from, lived in or visited another country? | Yes Don't Know | No |
| Do you have concerns about your child's development? Concern(s): _____ | Yes | No |

Blood lead testing should also be considered as part of a diagnostic work-up of any child regardless of age with the following symptoms:

- **Behavioral problems:** aggression, hyperactivity, attention deficit, school problems, learning disabilities, excessive mouthing or pica behavior and other behavior disorders.
- **Developmental problems:** growth, speech and language delays and/or hearing loss.
- **Symptoms or signs consistent with lead poisoning:** irritability, headaches, vomiting, seizures or other neurological symptoms, anemia, loss of appetite, abdominal pain and cramping or constipation.
- **Ingestion of foreign body**

Possible Sources of Lead

Occupational

Painters
Home remodelers/renovators
Construction/demolition workers
Bridge maintenance/repair
Auto body repairers/painters
Battery manufacturers/recyclers
Radiator repairers/manufacturing
Furniture refinishers
Plumbers, pipe fitters
Roofers
Lead miners, smelters, & refiners
Glass, copper and brass manufacturers
Boat
builders/painters/repair/maintenance
Ceramics making /glaze mixing
Printers (ink)
Plastic & rubber manufacturers
Police officers
Firing range instructors
Steel welders or cutters
Jewelry-making
Gas station attendants
Aircraft repair
X-ray shielding/film radiology

Hobbies and Related Activities

Home remodeling/renovation
Car or boat repair
Glazing/making pottery
Reloading/target shooting at firing
ranges
Furniture refinishing
Making/handling lead shot and fishing
weights/sinkers
Using lead soldering/welding
Oil painting (artistic)
Using pastel art pencils
Making stained glass
Jewelry making
Using/making diving & exercise weights
Repairing old painted wooden or
metal toys

Environmental/Other

Lead-based paint (pre-1978)
Soil/dust near lead industries,
roadways, lead-painted houses
Plumbing and solder
Cosmetics & hair dye
Imported vinyl mini-blinds
Imported ceramic tiles for the
kitchen/bathroom
Building materials:
Gutters, flashing,
tile, window glazing
Ceramicware/glazed pottery
Porcelain bathtubs
Leaded glass/pewter
Leaded gasoline (race, collector cars)
Soldered seams-imported canned food
Soldered copper pipes
Submersible pumps in wells
Brass plumbing fixtures
Bronze, pewter, leaded crystal
Electronics manufacturers
Pesticides
Imported crayons
Storage batteries
Plastic insulation on electrical
wiring and old telephone wiring
Candle wicks

Ingested Sources

Traditional/home remedies (Azarcon,
Greta, Pay-loo-ah, Kohl, Ayurvedic).
See our website for a listing of other
home remedies that may contain lead.
Imported candy and candy wrappers
Supplements (calcium)

For more on sources of lead or
preventing lead poisoning:
www.healthoregon.org/lead.