Onondaga County Health Department Lead Poisoning Prevention Program

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Program Composition and Staffing







Exposure Investigations vs Home Inspections

Exposure Investigations

- Investigative process required for Lead Poisoning Prevention Programs
- Involves protected health information
- Requires EPA Risk Assessor Certification and use of XRF
- Requires detailed interview of parent/guardian and assessment of risk to occupants
- Uses intact/non-intact standard to identify hazards

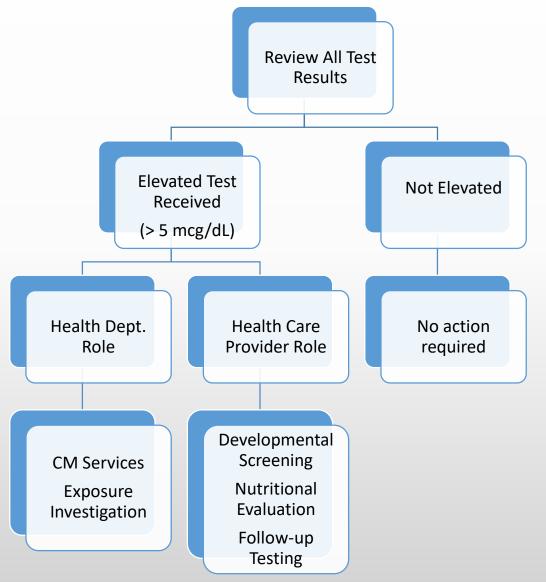
Home Inspections

- Inspection process used by municipal code enforcement, Section 8 or other housing program, insurance companies, real estate, grant programs
- Generally does not involve protected health information
- May not require EPA certification or use of XRF
- Uses "de minimus" standard to identify hazards





Response to Elevated Test Results







Onondaga County Blood Lead Testing

Current Strategies

- Physician Performance Evaluation
- In-person Physician Support Visits
- Collaboration with RLRC & CNYCF for Lead Care II devices
- Routine and ongoing surveillance partnerships
- Evaluation of public health data
- Ongoing education & outreach

Past Practices

- Door to Door Outreach
- Clinic Testing:
 - "Pop up" and site based clinics
 - Lead Bus
- Testing Practices:
 - Capillary collection with laboratory analysis
 - Venipuncture with laboratory analysis





Local and State Partnerships

- Municipal Partnerships
 - Onondaga County Departments and Services
 - City of Syracuse Departments and Services
 - Community Health and Housing Partners
- Advocacy Coalitions
 - LeadSafe CNY
 - LeadFreeKids NY
 - Governor's Advisory Council on Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention
- Emerging Enforcement Partnerships





For More Information

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