



County of Orange, California/Health Care Agency
Public Health Services
Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program

Statewide Blood Lead Targeted Screening Regulation

*****All Medi-Cal, CHDP, Healthy Families or WIC eligible children:**

Test at age 12 months and at age 24 months
or between ages 25 and 72 months if not previously tested

*****All other children**

Assess using the risk-assessment question below at age 12 months
and at age 24 months or between the ages of 25 and 72 months if not
previously assessed or tested.

**“Does your child live in, or spend a lot of time in, a place built before 1978
that has peeling or chipped paint or that has been recently renovated?”**

If the response to the question is “Yes” or “Don’t know”, a blood lead test needs to
be ordered on the high risk child.

***** For CHDP children who are determined to be at high risk for exposure to
lead**

Test at any time high risk status is determined even if out of the normal CHDP
periodicity schedule. Be sure to record the explanation for blood lead testing in the
“Comments” space on the PM 160.
(Example: Child exposed to lead hazard during recent renovation)

*****In addition, any child may receive a blood test at the provider’s discretion
or parental request.** (Parent may have to pay for test if not covered by CHDP,
Medi-Cal or private insurance.)

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