

How can school nurses help prevent childhood lead poisoning?

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Learn about lead and the dangerous health effects it has on young children



Lead poisoning can damage children's brains. It can also slow their growth and make it harder for them to learn.

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Educate the parents in your community about lead safe practices at home



Parents and guardians should keep the house clean and free of potential lead sources. This will help keep children safer.

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Assess the children at your school to find out if they should receive a blood lead test *



It is the only way to know for sure if a child has been exposed to lead. Keep an eye out for kids who are high risk.

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Discuss the importance of lead poisoning prevention activities with school staff



Lead poisoning prevention is the most effective when everyone in a community works together.

*see [child lead risk survey](#).

