

2022 VIRTUAL

## LEARNING COLLABORATIVE

ON CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING PREVENTION

AUGUST 24TH, 2022 9:00AM - 4:30PM



## **AGENDA**

| 9:00am - 9:30am          | Welcome                                                                                |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                          | New and Emerging Funding Opportunities for Lead Poisoning Prevention and Healthy Homes |
| 10:30am - 10:45am        | Break                                                                                  |
|                          | A Panel Discussion: Understanding funding for lead & Housing                           |
| <b>11:45am - 12:15pm</b> | Black Hawk County Lead-Based Paint Regulations                                         |
| 12:15pm - 12:30pm        | Q & A Discussion Session                                                               |
| 12:30pm - 1:00pm         | Lunch                                                                                  |
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## **AGENDA**

| 1:00pm - 2:00pm | Interpretation and Application of CDC's Blood Lead Reference<br>Value                                                                                                   |
|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 2:00pm - 2:30pm | Exploring the Feasibility of Incorporating a Lead Screening Tool in the Electronic Health Record for Preventative Well Visits                                           |
| 2:30pm - 2:45pm | Break                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 2:45pm - 3:30pm | Analysis of Iowa Counties Facing a Double Burden of High<br>Proportion of Elevated Blood Lead Levels and Low Testing Rates<br>Among BIPOC Children 1 and 2 Years of Age |
| 3:30pm - 4:00pm | Lead and Our Children: How Head Start plays a role in proactive and responsive approaches to keeping children healthy                                                   |
| 4:00pm - 4:15pm | Q & A Discussion Session                                                                                                                                                |
| 4:15pm - 4:30pm | Wrap-up & Closing Remarks                                                                                                                                               |

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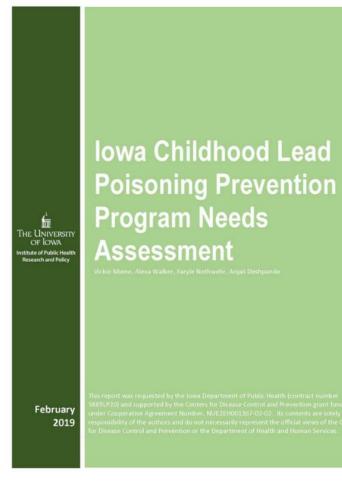
#### WHERE WE STARTED



- Completed December 2018-February 2019
- Targeted those in the CLPPP and providers
- Highlighted strengths and weaknesses in the program

Some areas for improvement included:

- Inconsistent communication and training
- Lack of data communication
- Struggles with collaboration



#### COLLECTIVE IMPACT



- Addressing health disparities is best done through multiple sectors working together to solve the identified problem, but true collaboration is incredibly difficult to implement.
- Each collaborating entity has its own vision, goals, and regulatory and funding streams. Therefore, it's difficult to collaborate effectively in a way that fully supports a shared agenda and uses resources efficiently.
- Collective Impact is a model of collaboration that supports collaboration across sectors, encourages a shared agenda, and is adaptable to local strengths.

#### COLLECTIVE IMPACT



## Collective Impact Is why we are all here today!

We are here to:

- Learn from one another
- Establish new connections
- Begin conversations with the end goal of preventing lead poisoning In Iowa

## New and Emerging Funding Opportunities for Lead and Healthy Homes

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Policy Analyst

National Center for Healthy Housing



#### **National Center for Healthy Housing (NCHH)**

The National Center for Healthy
Housing (NCHH) is a preeminent
national nonprofit dedicated to
securing healthy homes for
all. Since 1992, NCHH has served as
a highly regarded and credible
change agent, successfully
integrating healthy housing advocacy,
research, and capacity building
under one roof to reduce health
disparities nationwide.





## **Equipping Communities**



People on the front lines must be equipped with the best data, tools, resources, and policies to create healthier homes in their community.

#### Advocacy & Awareness



Leading the charge to mobilize advocates, create awareness, exchange information, and voice the need for funding to solve important societal problems.

#### Practical Research



Taking complex research and putting it into practical solutions that are available to everyone.

## National Center for **HEALTHY HOUSING**

## Today's Outline

- Traditional funding streams
  - HUD: primarily lead paint hazards and healthy homes
  - CDC: primarily EBLL surveillance and management
  - EPA: primarily lead in water
- New federal funding streams
  - American Rescue Plan Act: flexible funding
  - Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act: lead in water
- Innovative Local Examples
- Healthcare Financing
- Tools, Strategies, and Resources



# What Are The Funding Options?

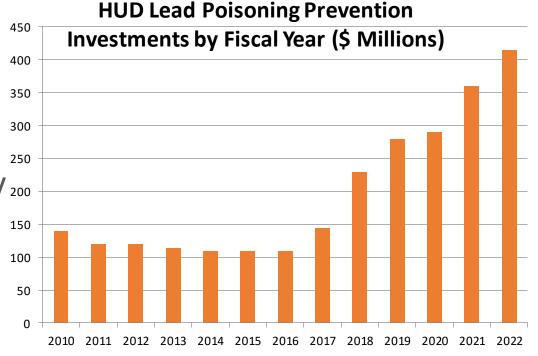
# Traditional Federal Funding Streams



## HUD Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes

• \$415 million in FY22

• Includes \$90 million for healthy 200 homes





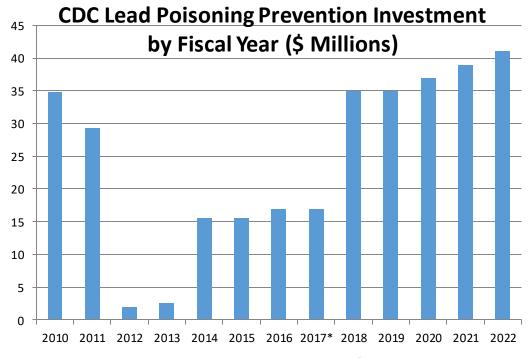
## HUD Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes

- New programs:
  - Tribal Healthy Homes Production Grants (first awarded 2018)
  - Healthy Homes Production Grants (first awarded 2022)
  - Aging in place (first awarded 2021)
  - Coordination with weatherization (first awarded 2021)
  - New lead grant category for new grantees (open in July 2022)



## CDC Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program

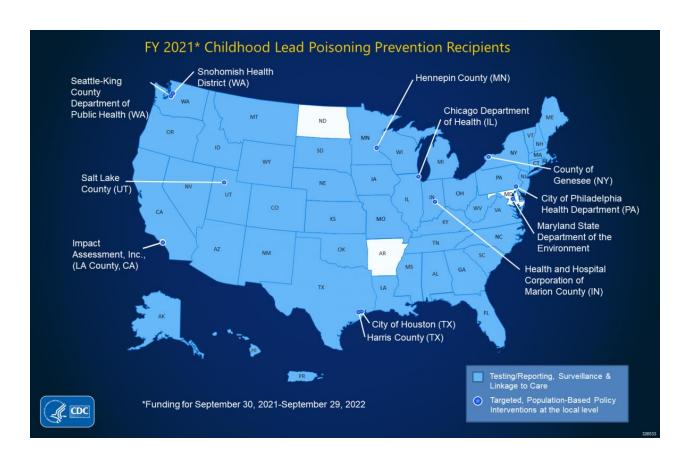
• \$41 million in FY22



\* Does not include \$35 million additional one-time



## CDC Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program





### **EPA's Lead Programs**

 Lead Categorical Grants: determined by rule adoption

 Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act (WIIN) Grants: for lead in water testing and remediation in schools and child care

Drinking Water State Revolving Funds



#### WIIN Act Grant Programs

https://www.epa.gov/dwca pacity/water-infrastructureimprovements-nation-actwiin-act-grant-programs

#### Drinking Water State Revolving Funds

https://www.epa.gov/groun d-water-and-drinkingwater/funding-lead-serviceline-replacement#DWSRF



## SRF funding and LSL replacement

State roles in replacement of lead service lines:

- Ensuring compliance with the safe drinking water rules, including the Lead and Copper Rule (LCR).
- Educating communities, utilities, and the public on health risks posed by lead; the benefits and challenges of replacing LSLs; and, hopefully, the resources offered by EPA and the LSL Replacement Collaborative.
- Establishing policies that enable or direct communities and utilities to fully replace LSLs.





## Important note about LSL replacement and equity

- Partial replacements can increase lead exposure
- Programs that require owners to cover costs favor wealthier, whiter neighborhoods and worsen disparities in lead exposure



#### Lead Pipes and Environmental Justice

https://www.edf.org/sites/defa ult/files/u4296/LeadPipe\_Envir onJustice\_AU%20and%20EDF% 20Report.pdf?utm\_source=pres entation&utm\_campaign=edfhealth\_none\_upd\_hlth&utm\_m edium=referral&utm\_id=15976 99006

## Achieving Equity in Lead Poisoning Prevention Policy Making

https://www.joycefdn.org/rese arch-reports/achieving-equityin-lead-poisoning-preventionpolicy-making



# New Federal Funding Streams





#### **AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021**

- \$1.9 trillion package of federal spending to provide relief for the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Signed into law March 11, 2021.
- Includes \$350 billion in funding to states and localities:
  - \$195.3 billion for states
  - \$65.1 billion for counties
  - \$45.6 billion for cities
  - \$20 billion for tribal governments
  - \$19.5 billion for non-entitlement units of local government (distributed through states)
- Also known as ARPA.



#### **American Rescue Plan: Overview**

- Department of the Treasury issued their final rule on January 27, 2022 for use of the funds.
- 50% of funding distributed beginning in May 2021 and 50% 12 months later.
- Must be obligated by 12/31/24 and expended by 12/31/26.



Treasury title: Coronavirus
State and Local Fiscal
Recovery Funds
https://home.treasury.gov/

<u>https://home.treasury.gov/</u> <u>policy-</u>

issues/coronavirus/assista nce-for-state-local-andtribal-governments/stateand-local-fiscal-recoveryfunds

#### **FACT SHEET**

https://home.treasury.gov/ system/files/136/SLFRP-Fact-Sheet-FINAL1-508A.pdf



### **American Rescue Plan: Eligibility**

- Categories of eligible activities:
  - Support the COVID-19 public health and economic response.
  - Replace lost public sector revenue
  - Provide premium pay for essential workers
  - Invest in water, sewer, and broadband infrastructure
- Funding can and should be used to serve hardest-hit communities and families (qualified census tracts).



## **American Rescue Plan: Eligibility**

- Treasury presumes the following have been impacted by the pandemic:
  - Low- or-moderate income households or communities.
  - Households that experienced unemployment.
  - Households that experienced increased food or housing insecurity.
  - Households that qualify for the Children's Health Insurance Program, Childcare Subsidies through the Child Care Development Fund (CCDF) Program, or Medicaid.
  - When providing affordable housing programs: households that qualify for the National Housing Trust Fund and Home Investment Partnerships Program.
  - When providing services to address lost instructional time in K-12 schools: any student that lost access to in-person instruction for a significant period of time.
- Some of the programs and projects that the Treasury includes as eligible for these populations are home repair and home weatherization.



## **American Rescue Plan: Eligibility**

- Treasury presumes that the following have been disproportionately impacted by the pandemic:
  - Low-income households and communities.
  - Households residing in Qualified Census Tracts.
  - Households that qualify for certain federal 5 benefits.
  - Households receiving services provided by tribal governments.
  - Households residing in the U.S. territories or receiving services from these governments.
- Some of the programs and projects that the Treasury includes as eligible for these populations are remediation of lead paint or other lead hazards.



### Accessing ARPA at the Local Level

- Most localities began allocating funding in summer/fall of 2021.
- Many places are allocating their funding in separate chunks.
- Several localities held resident surveys or public hearings to gain input.



### Resources for Tracking ARPA Actions

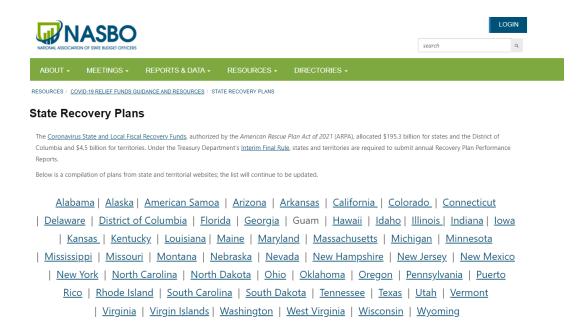
 National Conference of State Legislatures: <a href="https://www.ncsl.org/research/fiscal-policy/arpa-state-fiscal-recovery-fund-allocations.aspx">https://www.ncsl.org/research/fiscal-policy/arpa-state-fiscal-recovery-fund-allocations.aspx</a>

| NAL CONFERENCE OF STATE LEGISLATURES  | AKPA Sta                                 | ite Fiscai R | Recovery Fund Allocations |    |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|----|
| State Fiscal Recovery Fund Categories | States                                   | Authority    |                           |    |
| Select all                            | Select all                               | Select all   |                           |    |
| Access to Justice                     | Alabama                                  | Executive    |                           | د  |
| Arts, Culture and Tourism             | Alaska                                   | Legislative  |                           | p. |
| Broadband                             | Arizona                                  |              |                           |    |
| ☐ Economic Relief and Development     | Arkansas                                 |              |                           |    |
| Education                             | California                               |              |                           |    |
| General Infrastructure                | Colorado                                 |              |                           |    |
| Housing                               | Connecticut                              |              |                           |    |
| Human Services                        | Delaware                                 |              |                           |    |
| Other                                 | <ul> <li>District of Columbia</li> </ul> |              |                           |    |
| Public Health Response                | ☐ Florida                                |              |                           |    |
| State Operation and Administration    | Georgia                                  |              |                           |    |
| ☐ Unemployment Trust Fund             | ☐ Hawaii                                 |              | Description Search        |    |
| Water Infrastructure                  |                                          |              |                           |    |
| Workforce Development                 |                                          |              | Search Q   4              | 9  |



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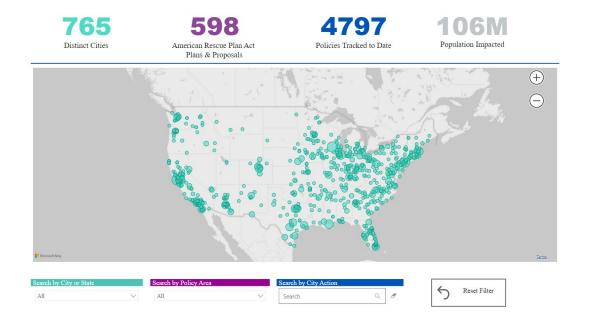
 National Association of State Budget Officers: <a href="https://www.nasbo.org/mainsite/resources/covid-19-relief-funds-guidance-and-resources/state-recovery-plans">https://www.nasbo.org/mainsite/resources/covid-19-relief-funds-guidance-and-resources/state-recovery-plans</a>





### Resources for Tracking ARPA Actions

• National League of Cities: <a href="https://www.nlc.org/resource/covid-19-local-action-tracker/">https://www.nlc.org/resource/covid-19-local-action-tracker/</a>





#### The ARPA Innovators Series

• Introductory blog post: <a href="https://nchh.org/2022/04/how-innovative-communities-are-using-arpa-funds-to-transform-housing-and-address-environmental-hazards/">https://nchh.org/2022/04/how-innovative-communities-are-using-arpa-funds-to-transform-housing-and-address-environmental-hazards/</a>

We profiled six ARPA programs focused on lead and healthy homes.



#### The ARPA Innovators Series

- <u>Vermont Housing Improvement Program</u>: providing grants to property owners to repair properties that are vacant or threatening to become vacant due to code violations. Later rounds of this funding require property owners to rent the units to tenants exiting homelessness.
- <u>Vermont Healthy Homes Programs</u>: repairing water and wastewater systems in owner-occupied and manufactured homes.
- North Carolina Division of Public Health: testing water for lead and mitigating hazards in public schools, and supporting inspections and abatement for lead and asbestos at schools and child care facilities.



#### The ARPA Innovators Series

- <u>City of Pittsburgh</u>: providing funds to replace lead service lines and support implementation of the new Pittsburgh Lead Safety Law, which address lead hazards in paint, water, renovation and repairs, and demolitions.
- <u>City of Utica</u>: projects to support exterior home repair and replace windows, as well as an indoor asthma triggers pilot project and supplemental funds for lead hazard reduction.
- <u>Linn County PATCH Program</u>: repairing homes damaged by a derecho storm in 2020.



### Other Lead Examples

#### State

- Maine: \$25 million for water system improvements, include mitigation of lead in drinking water at schools and daycares.
- New Jersey: \$10 million for lead paint remediation.
- Virginia: \$3.75 million for lead in residential properties.



### Other Lead Examples

### Local

- Buffalo, NY: \$10 million for LSL replacement, \$1 million for healthy homes inspection.
- Syracuse, NY: \$4.5 million to address lead poisoning through housing remediation.
- Tama, IA: \$98,000 for lead service line replacement.



### Other Healthy Homes Examples

- Detroit, MI: \$30 million for home repairs for seniors and low-income residents.
- St. Louis, MO: \$2 million for home repairs to help seniors age in place.
- Jamestown, NY: \$1.4 million for housing improvements.



### Infrastructure Funds

- The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act
  - Also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.
  - Included \$15 billion for removing lead service lines, through the Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund.
  - \$3 billion allocated in 2022, the first of five years.



### Innovative Local Examples



### Cleveland Lead Safe Home Fund

- Public-private partnership.
- Provides grants, loans, workforce development, service coordination, and supports implementation of the city's lead safe certification for rental housing.
- Initial five-year goal of \$99 million; surpassed that goal and have raised over \$115 million so far.
  - \$40 million from the Cleveland Clinic
  - \$17 million from the city's ARPA funds



Lead Safe Cleveland
Coalition One Pager:
https://www.hefn.org/sit
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7.2020.pdf



### **Home Repair Programs**

- Typically run at the local level and supported by CDBG or HOME funds.
- Offer grants and loans to homeowners (and sometimes renters).
- Programs using CDBG funds have specific requirements around lead paint based on the expenditure per unit.





## Innovative Home Repair Funding and Services

- Milwaukee, WI: uses a combination of local funds including returns on tax increment financing and local bank funding.
- Charlotte, NC: provides assistance to help new contractors purchase equipment and navigate the registration process.
- Dallas, TX: contracts with a local law firm to provide free services to clear up title issues for residents so they can be eligible for their home repair program.



### Healthcare Financing



### State Level: HSI/CHIP funding

- An HSI must directly improve the health of low-income children less than 19 years of age who are eligible for CHIP- and/or Medicaid, but may serve children regardless of income. In addition, to the extent possible, the state should use its efforts through an HSI to enroll eligible but unenrolled children in Medicaid or CHIP.
- As of February 2019, 71 HSI State Plan Amendment (SPAs) approved in 24 states
  - States with HSI waivers to do lead work: MI, MD, OH, MO, IN, WI
  - Ranges from testing to actual abatement work
    - CMS guidance specifically address lead abatement as an eligible activity



Service Initiatives:
https://www.medicaid.go
v/federal-policyguidance/downloads/faq
11217.pdf



## Local Level: Hospital Community Benefits

 Nonprofit hospitals are required to support community benefits to stay exempt from paying federal income taxes.

• Eligible activities include home assessments/services and housing development and improvements.



https://nchh.org/toolsand-data/financing-andfunding/healthcarefinancing/hospitalcommunity-benefits/



## **Explore Partnerships**with Healthcare and Across Sectors

- Healthcare Financing of Healthy Homes Resource Library
  - <a href="https://nchh.org/tools-and-data/financing-and-dunding/healthcare-financing/">https://nchh.org/tools-and-data/financing-and-dunding/healthcare-financing/</a>
- Alternative delivery systems and other sustainable financing

 https://nchh.org/who-we-are/nchh-publications/casestudies/

If you're interested in more information about how healthcare financing could work for you, contact us!



## Tools, Strategies, and Resources

## Data Make the Case for Your Community

### Demonstrate the costs and benefits:

Value of Lead Prevention: valueofleadprevention.org

### Data resources

- State of Healthy Housing: <a href="https://nchh.org/tools-and-data/data/state-of-healthy-housing/">https://nchh.org/tools-and-data/data/state-of-healthy-housing/</a>
- State Healthy Housing Fact Sheet: <a href="https://nchh.org/who-we-are/nchh-publications/fact-sheets/state-hh-fact-sheets/">https://nchh.org/who-we-are/nchh-publications/fact-sheets/state-hh-fact-sheets/</a>
- More: <a href="https://nchh.org/tools-and-data/data/">https://nchh.org/tools-and-data/data/</a>

### National Center for **HEALTHY HOUSING**

## Coalition Building Bring Stakeholders Together

• Building coalitions, mapping local assets, or conducting a landscape analysis is a good way to start identifying opportunities.

### Resources:

- Bridging Silos: <a href="https://mitpress.mit.edu/books/bridging-silos">https://mitpress.mit.edu/books/bridging-silos</a>
- University of Kansas Community Tool Box: <a href="https://ctb.ku.edu/en/toolkits">https://ctb.ku.edu/en/toolkits</a>



## Systemic Thinking Consider your policies/programs holistically

• If going after larger funding/programs/policy changes is not feasible, consider intermediate ways to build up your local capacity.

- One example is including RRP certification in permitting:
  - Opportunities to Strengthen Local Lead-Related Policies: RRP Certification: <a href="https://nchh.org/resource-library/technical-assistance\_opportunities-to-strengthen-local-lead-related-policies\_rrp-certification.pdf">https://nchh.org/resource-library/technical-assistance\_opportunities-to-strengthen-local-lead-related-policies\_rrp-certification.pdf</a>



### Example of holistic thinking: codes

### Elements of an effective code enforcement program

- 1. Adopt a Strong Housing Code
- 2. Fund the Code Enforcement Program
- 3. Train Officers
- 4. Partner with Community Organizations
- 5. Promote Cross-Agency Coordination
- 6. Develop a Cooperative Compliance Model
- 7. Enforce the Local Housing Code
- 8. Adopt a Proactive Rental Inspection
- 9. Establish Supplementary Programs
- 10. Evaluate the Code Enforcement Program

### National Center for **HEALTHY HOUSING**

### **RESOURCE**

How to Make
Proactive Rental
Inspection Effective
https://nchh.org/resource
-library/how-to-makeproactive-rentalinspection-effective.pdf

Up to Code
Enforcement Guide
changelabsolutions.org/si
tes/default/files/Up-tpCode\_Enforcement\_Guide
\_FINAL-20150527.pdf

### **More Policy Resources**

### Lead-specific policies

- Opportunities to Strengthen Local Lead-Related Policies: Model Ordinance Language to Address Lead Risks in Existing Demolition Requirements
  - <a href="https://nchh.org/resource-library/technical-assistance\_opportunities-to-strengthen-local-lead-related-policies\_model-ordinance-language-to-address-lead-risks-in-existing-demolition-requirements.pdf">https://nchh.org/resource-library/technical-assistance\_opportunities-to-strengthen-local-lead-related-policies\_model-ordinance-language-to-address-lead-risks-in-existing-demolition-requirements.pdf</a>
- Lead Service Line Replacement Collaborative
  - Replacement practices: <a href="https://www.lslr-collaborative.org/replacement.html">https://www.lslr-collaborative.org/replacement.html</a>
  - Policies: <a href="https://www.lslr-collaborative.org/policies.html">https://www.lslr-collaborative.org/policies.html</a>
- Lead Poisoning Prevention Stories Case Studies: <a href="https://nchh.org/who-we-are/nchh-publications/case-studies/lpp-stories-case-studies/">https://nchh.org/who-we-are/nchh-publications/case-studies/lpp-stories-case-studies/</a>
- Better Lead Policy: <a href="https://www.betterleadpolicy.org/">https://www.betterleadpolicy.org/</a>



### **More Policy Resources**

### Housing codes, rental inspections, code enforcement

- A Guide to Proactive Rental Inspection Programs:
   <a href="http://www.changelabsolutions.org/sites/default/files/Proactive-Rental-Inspection-Programs Guide FINAL 20140204.pdf">http://www.changelabsolutions.org/sites/default/files/Proactive-Rental-Inspection-Programs Guide FINAL 20140204.pdf</a>
- Healthy Housing Through Proactive Rental Inspection:
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- How to Make Proactive Rental Inspection Effective: <a href="https://nchh.org/resource-library/how-to-make-proactive-rental-inspection-effective.pdf">https://nchh.org/resource-library/how-to-make-proactive-rental-inspection-effective.pdf</a>



### **More Resources**

### Other financing and funding

- Local Funding/Incentive Programs:
   https://nchh.org/resources/financing-and-funding/local-funding-incentive-programs/
- Sustainable Financing Mechanisms Case Studies: <a href="https://nchh.org/who-we-are/nchh-publications/case-studies/sustainable-financing-mechanisms-case-studies/">https://nchh.org/who-we-are/nchh-publications/case-studies/</a>
- More: https://nchh.org/resources/financing-and-funding/



If you have question or want help thinking through how to use these funds in your community, contact Sarah Goodwin at <a href="mailto:sgoodwin@nchh.org">sgoodwin@nchh.org</a>!

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## National Center for HEALTHY HOUSING

### 10:30AM - 10:45AM

## Check out all of the resources we have put together!

https://idph.iowa.gov/Environmental-Health-Services/Childhood-Lead-Poisoning-Prevention/resources

# Bringing Together Partners for a Successful Lead Hazard Control Program

Presented by: Kim Glaser, ECIA

Michelle Spohnheimer, City of Marshalltown

## Lead & Healthy Homes Program

#### **ECIA**

- 2017 Clinton awarded \$1,650,000 for lead hazard control and \$150,000 healthy homes supplemental funds
  - City of Maquoketa is a partner in this award and is included in the target area and commits to contributing to the required match
  - 54 housing units were made lead safe at program close end of 2020
- 2019 Dubuque County awarded \$2,999,996 lead hazard control and \$300,000 healthy homes supplemental funds
  - Delaware County requests to be included in the target area 2020 and commits to contributing to the required match
  - Goal is to make 120 Lead safe by program by July 2023
- 2020 Clinton awarded \$2,400,000 for lead hazard control and \$400,700 healthy homes supplemental funds
  - City of Maquoketa is a partner in this award and is included in the target area and commits to contributing to the required match
  - Goal is to make 86 units lead safe by program close July 2024

#### **MARSHALLTOWN**

- 2018 Marshalltown awarded 6<sup>th</sup> grant award \$2,999,788 for lead hazard control and \$450,000 healthy homes supplemental funds
  - City of Marshalltown is the target area and commits to contributing to the required match
  - Goal is to make 125 units lead safe by program close September 2023
  - Prior grants had included regional participation in up to 4 counties.

## Funding Process – Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes Grants

- Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) and awarding of funds
- Determine a target are based on the needs of the area
  - Where is the highest percentage of older housing stock?
  - Where are the low/mod income individuals living?
  - What area has the highest percentages of lead poisoned children?
- How many units can you complete?
- Determine the budget
- Match 10% of the Lead Hazard Control Funds
  - Owner contributions (rental and single-family home owner)
  - Discounts from retailers
  - Discounts from hotels
  - Cash contribution from municipalities in your target area

# Funding Process – Healthy Homes Supplemental Funds

- Must be done in conjunction with a unit receiving Lead Hazard Control work
- Very flexible funding
- Complete home assessment
- Ranking of health and safety hazards
- Determine best use of funds

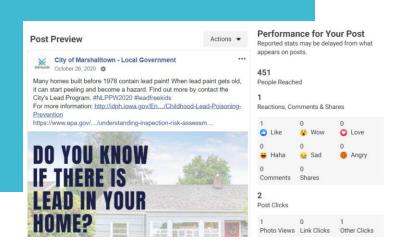
### COLLABORATION AND MARKETING

### THREE TIER APPROACH

### High Level

- Billboards
- Bus Wraps
- Vehicle Signage
- City and County Officials
- Corporate Partners
- Social Media Postings
- Media Interviews (Newspaper/Radio/TV)





Collaboration

& Partnerships



## Collaboration & Partnerships

### Mid Level

Civic Groups

Realtor and Landlord Associations

Faith Based Organizations

Fire Departments (Organized and Volunteer)

Community Events

Delaware County Fair

Dubuque County Fair

Dyersville St. Patty's Day Parade

Rhubarb Fest

Healthy Family Fair





Collaboration & Partnerships

Boots on the Ground

Yard Signs

**Door Knockers** 

Community News Letters

Public Gathering Spaces (Gas Station, Hair Salon etc.)

Utility mailings







### Sustainability

- Education
- Contractor Training
- Neighborhood Association/Grass Roots
- Code Enforcement
- Weatherization
- Philanthropic Connections

## WHAT WE SEE:

### **Before**



**Before** 



### After



After



### Thank You

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## Region XII COG

Karla Janning

## Region XII COG

- Housing Programs administered by Region XII: Community Development Block Grant, HOME Down Payment Assistance with rehabilitation, Federal Home Loan Bank Owner Occupied, Housing Preservation Grant Owner Occupied, Housing Trust Fund
- Region XII self performs the Lead Inspector tasks:
  - Conduct initial visual risk assessments
  - Write specifications indicating work requiring LSWP
  - Inspect work under progress to confirm compliance by contractor
  - Conduct final visual risk assessments and take dust samples

### • Challenges:

- Attracting contractors: Region XII holds one-day training opportunities locally to obtain more contractor's
- Region XII works with homeowners to educate them on the potential dangers of LBP
- Region XII works with homeowners to relocate them during LSWP activities
  - Coordinate with work schedule

#### Successes:

- Over 12 Million in owner occupied construction over the last 10 years with CDBG funds
- Hundreds of homes have reduced or eliminated LBP hazards

### Thank you

Karla Janning

Region XII COG

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## Cerro Gordo County

Jenna Heiar

### Cerro Gordo County

- Applied 5 times before we were awarded in 2016 with our first Lead Hazard Control Grant
- First Time Grantee in 2016-2019 There was a lot to learn!
- Remediated 57 homes with a goal of 53.
- Initial Struggles & Successes, especially in rural areas
  - Contractor Capacity and Assistance
  - Staff Capacity and Hiring
  - Marketing
  - Relocating
  - Relationships with NIACOG and Area Landlords
- HHRS Supplemental Funds (Healthy Homes)
- Re-awarded in 2019, for 2020-2023 Grant 65 Homes In
- Type of work varies substantially

## Thank you

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# ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH BLACK HAWK COUNTY LEAD-BASED PAINT REGULATION FOR THE 2022 LEARNING COLLABORATIVE ON CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING PREVENTION

## Agenda

- History
  - Recent History
  - Ordinance Work Group
  - Board of Health Work Group (March 2020 & September 22, 2021)
  - COVID-19 Impact
- Process of Review
  - External Sources
  - Existing Regulation 2-88
- Review of Proposed Ordinance
  - Title 8 Health and Safety
    - Chapter 8.30
  - Process of Review
    - Format
    - Content
    - Equity Assessment
- Public Presentations
  - Health Department Public Hearing
  - Request for Comments & Document Review
  - Board of Supervisors & Adoption
- Recommendations & Questions



## **Recent History**

- Schools, Outreach, and Clinics
  - Community and Family Health
    - Shared Officer EHO & Lead Inspector/Risk Assessor
    - Program Coordinator
  - Healthy Homes & CBDG
    - Previous and periodic Lead -Based Paint Hazard Control Programs
    - Environmental Referrals
- Migration to Environmental Health
  - Approximately 3.5 years ago
  - Healthy Homes
    - Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Program
    - CLPPP
- Enforcement based upon IAC in lieu of Ordinance
  - Lead Regulation
  - Regulation 2-88



#### **Board of Health Ordinance Review**

#### March of 2020

- BoH Work Group to review Black Hawk existing ordinances
- Key regulatory Staff alongside the BoH
- Reviewed all Ordinances for content and prioritization

#### Outcomes

- Recommendation of a 3-year cycle of review
- 2-88 was marked as High Priority
- Recommended as a "Develop New"
- Work was to begin
- COVD-19



## **Board of Health Work Group**

- Board of Health Work Group
  - September 22, 2021
  - Pinecrest Building
  - Hybrid virtual/in person meeting
  - Board of Health members
  - Asst. County Attorney
  - Black Hawk County Public Health Director and key staff
- Conducted a review of the process
  - History
  - Review of the process
  - Review of proposed ordinance
- Outcome
  - Discussed adding an additional mitigation measure
  - Need to hold a Community Stakeholder Review



#### **Stakeholder Review**

- Partners in Abating Lead Poisoning
  - Community Partners invited to an ordinance focus group
  - Invitations include representatives from:
    - City of Waterloo Community Development
    - City of Waterloo Code of Enforcement
    - Representatives from City of Cedar Falls, La Porte City, Hudson, Dewar, Evansdale, Raymond, Gilbertville, Dunkerton, Elk Run Heights and Washburn
    - University of Northern Iowa, Public and Environmental Health
    - People's Community Health Clinic, other Black Hawk medical partners
    - Landlord Association, Board of Realtors
    - Board of Health and Board of Supervisors
    - Lead-Certified Contractors
    - Local Church groups
    - WIC, Operation Threshold



#### **Process of Review**

- Health Department Team
  - Andrea Magee Healthy Homes Coordinator (CLPPP/Healthy Homes/LIRA & EBL)
  - Eric Heinen Environmental Health Officer (Healthy Homes/REHS-RS)
  - Kelly Amador Environmental Health Officer (Healthy Homes/LIRA/REHS-RS)
  - Jenna Diephouse Environmental Health Supervisor
  - Lisa Sesterhenn Public Health Planner
  - Jared Parmater Environmental Health Program Manager (REHS-RS)
  - Michael Treinen Asst. County Attorney
- Process began in late February 2021
  - Bi-weekly meetings to assess source documents and TTPs outside of the organization
- Equity Assessment
  - Completed in accordance with Health Department Strategic Planning Policy



#### **Sources Utilized**

- Federal Agency Policies & Documents
  - Department of Housing and Urban Development
    - 24 CFR Part 35 "Lead; Requirements for Disclosure of Known Lead-based Paint and /or Lead-Based Paint hazards in Housing".
    - Protect Your Family from Lead in your Home (HUD, EPA and US Consumer Product Safety Commission)
  - Environmental Protection Agency
    - FACT Sheet EPA and HUD Move to Protect Children from Lead-Based Paint Poisoning; Disclosure of Lead Based Paint Hazards in Housing
- State Administrative Code/ Guidance Documents
  - IAC 641.68 Control of Lead Based Paint Hazards (7/2/08)
  - IAC 641.69 Renovation, Remodeling and Repainting Lead Hazard Notification Process (6/16/21)
  - IAC 641.70 Lead Based Paint Activities (2/1/20)
  - Lead Poisoning: How to Protect Iowa Families (IDPH: Lead Poisoning Prevention Program)
- Local Ordinances Reviewed
  - Linn County
  - Benton County
  - Adams County
  - Story County
  - Cerro Gordo County
  - Black Hawk County 2-88
- Other Sources
  - Health Impact Partners
    - "Achieving Equity in Lead Poisoning Prevention Policy Making: Proceedings from a consensus Conference"



## Regulation 2-88

- Existing lead regulation in Black Hawk County
  - Naming convention suggests 1988
- Definitions 14 definitions to 30 applicable definitions
  - Includes descriptions of certifications needed to perform work, EBL, hazards, and lead abatement
- Terms and language utilized in need of modernization
  - "He" used on multiple occurrences when referring to EHO
  - General terms used when discussing lead hazards
- Abatement section is deficient when compared to other ordinances
  - Determined during review of peer organization ordinances
- Compliance and Enforcement
  - Outdated County reporting, enforcement, hearing and penalty process



## **Proposed Regulation**

- Proposed Ordinance
  - "Control of Lead-Based Paint" ordinance
    - Be recognized under Title 8 Health and Safety
    - Recommended Chapter 8.30
- Format
  - Structure
    - Written in current County regulation format
    - Follows current County naming conventions
- Content
  - Increased number and current pertinent definitions
    - 14 vs. 30
  - Increased applicability
    - Clearer guidelines on when (and how) to pursue potential assessments
  - Robust Lead Hazard reduction requirements
    - Increased detail in specific areas, particular hazards and effective mitigation
    - Prohibited methods of hazard reduction



## **Proposed Regulation**

- Content
  - Enforcement
    - Clear Compliance and Enforcement procedures
    - Utilizes updated County procedure for Enforcement
  - Retaliation
    - Provides added protection against retaliation from the lessor of a rental property
  - Updates for common ordinance language
    - Hearings
    - Requests for Variance
    - Injunction
- Equity
  - Assessment conducted



#### **Document Review**

- Chapter 8.30 Control of Lead Based Paint
  - Purpose & Applicability
  - Definitions
  - Hazard Nuisance and EBL Inspections
  - Lead Hazard Reduction & Prohibited Reduction
  - Retaliation
  - Compliance, Hearings, Enforcement



#### **Public Presentations**

- Scheduled Public Health Meeting
  - Open to the Public, with specific invitations
  - Very poor turn-out; 52 invitations, 6 representative attended
- Documents sent to Interested Parties
  - Desired comments and concerns
  - Allowed 2 weeks for response
  - 1 response was sent in
- Boards of Health and Supervisors
  - Document completed and approved by the BoH on April 27, 2022.
  - Submitted to the BoS; approved on May 10, 2022
  - Published document in Public
    - Waterloo Courier
    - Hard copy in available Health Department and at numerous partners locations
    - Social Media announcement
    - Website



## Adoption and Implementation

- Adoption and implementation of updated Lead-Based Paint Regulation
  - Has been implemented in Black Hawk County
  - Next Steps include targeted and continued education for:
    - Renters/Tenants
    - Landlords
    - Municipalities
    - Providers
  - CLPPP and Healthy Homes opportunities educate and inform



## **Questions & Recommendations**

- What are your questions?
- What are your recommendations?



# DISCUSSION SECTION

Send your questions for presenters In the chat!

### 12:30PM - 1:00PM

# Check out all of the resources we have put together!

https://idph.iowa.gov/Environmental-Health-Services/Childhood-Lead-Poisoning-Prevention/resources

### **Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention at CDC**

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August 24, 2022



#### **Learning objectives**

#### Greater awareness of

- Lead exposure as a public health problem
- CDC's Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (CLPPP)
- Challenges in lead poisoning prevention
- Efforts to increase rates of blood lead testing
- Purpose and usage of the Blood Lead Reference Value (BLRV)

# LEAD EXPOSURE AS A PUBLIC HEALTH PROBLEM

#### Lead is a toxic (poisonous) metal.

- Lead exposure: When a child comes in contact with lead by swallowing or breathing in lead or lead dust.
- Even low levels of lead can adversely affect the health of children.



# Children have the greatest risk of exposure and negative health impacts

- Key routes of lead exposure: inhalation and ingestion
- Risk factors include
  - Developing body systems and detoxification processes
  - Unique behavioral factors such as mouthing and crawling
  - Greater lead absorption per body size



# Children are primarily exposed to lead from paint, soil, and water

- Lead-based paint in homes and buildings built before 1978
- Contaminated soil from exterior lead-based paint, car exhaust, and factories that use lead
- Contaminated drinking water delivered through lead plumbing materials



#### **Lead in Housing**

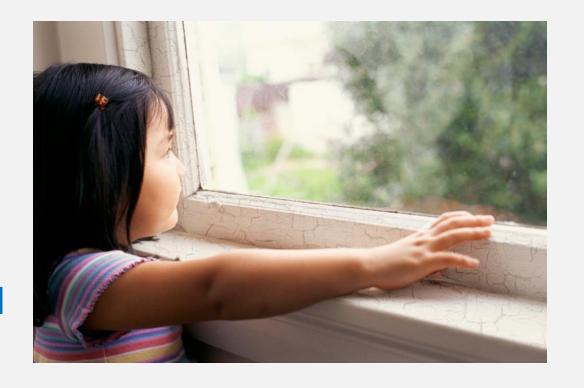
- Some homes are more likely to contain lead-based paint and have pipes, faucets, and plumbing fixtures containing lead.
  - Houses built before 1978, before the banning of lead-based paint
  - Houses in low-income areas

 Some populations, such as children from low-income households and who are African American are more likely to live in conditions where there is greater likelihood of exposure

# CDC'S CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING PREVENTION PROGRAM

# CDC's Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (CLPPP)

- Vision: To eliminate childhood lead poisoning as a public health problem
- Mission: To reduce blood lead levels in children and differences in average risk based on race and socioeconomic status



#### CDC focuses on strengthening four core strategies



Blood lead testing and reporting



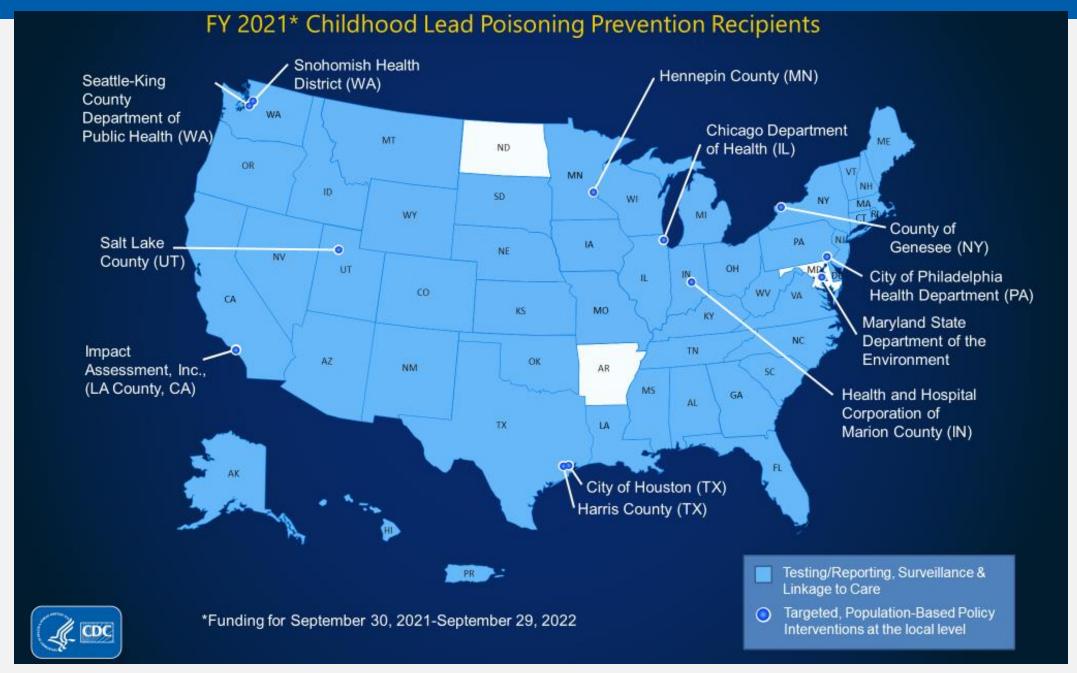
Surveillance of child blood lead levels



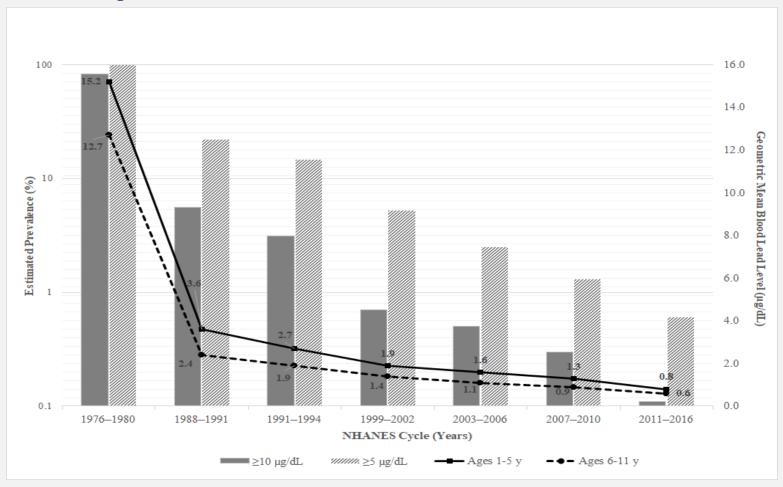
Targeted, population-based interventions



Linkages of leadexposed children to recommended services



# U.S. children's blood lead levels (BLLs) have declined in the last 40 years



SOURCE: Egan KB, Cornwell CR, Courtney JG, Ettinger AS. Blood Lead Levels in U.S. Children Ages 1–11 Years, 1976–2016. Environ Health Perspect. 2021; 129(3):1-11.

# CHALLENGES IN LEAD POISONING PREVENTION

#### Testing children for lead exposure

- A blood test is the best way to determine if a child has been exposed to lead.
- Children that have been exposed to lead may not show signs or symptoms
- Two types of blood collections may be used:
  - finger prick (capillary) blood collection
  - venous blood draw



#### There is also disparity in rates of BLL screening

In selected states, many children did not receive blood lead screening tests at required intervals.



**38%** of Medicaid-enrolled children did **not** receive a 12-month or a 24-month blood lead screening test.

In selected states, some children were never tested for elevated blood lead levels before their third birthday.



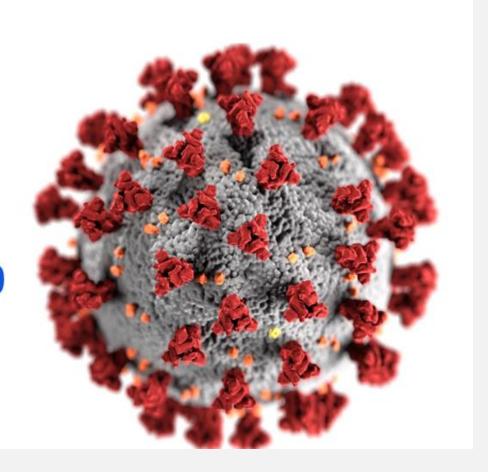
21% of children with continuous enrollment in Medicaid from birth did **not** receive a blood lead screening test by 3 years of age.

Source: OIG analysis of Medicaid claims data, 2021.

In all 5 states, a higher proportion of Medicaid-enrolled children received a blood lead screening test at 12 months of age than at 24 months of age.

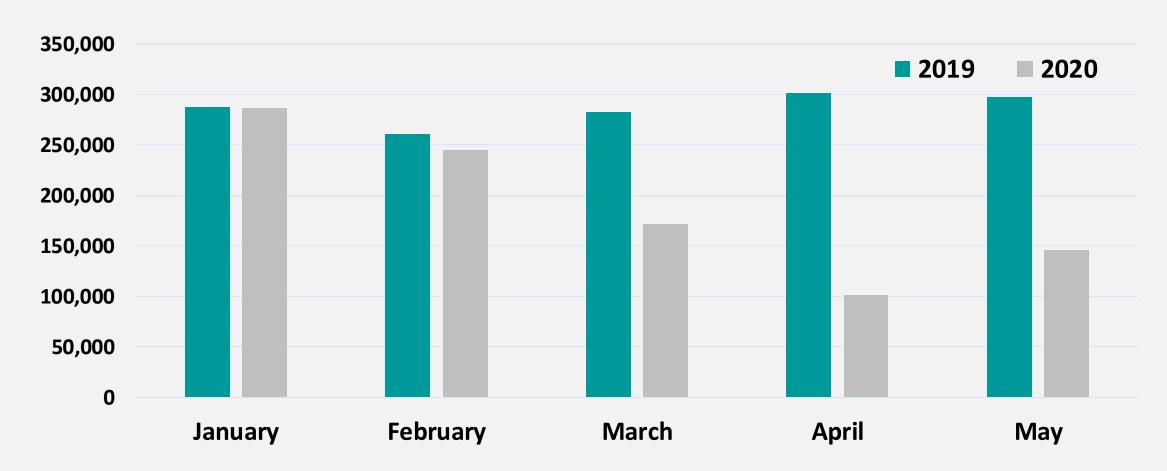
#### **Lead testing decline**

Decreases in Young Children
Who Received Blood Lead Level
Testing During COVID-19 — 34
Jurisdictions, January–May 2020



SOURCE: Courtney JG, Chuke SO, Dyke K, et al. MMWR Morb Mortal Wkly Rep. Feb 5 2021; 70(50):115-161

# Children age < 6 years tested for lead--United States, Jan-May 2019 vs. Jan-May 2020



SOURCE: Courtney JG, Chuke SO, Dyke K, et al. MMWR Morb Mortal Wkly Rep. Feb 5 2021; 70(50):115-161

#### LeadCare® test kits recalled in 2021

Magellan Diagnostics, Inc. is **recalling** LeadCare II, LeadCare Plus, and LeadCare Ultra Blood Lead Test kits due to a significant risk of falsely low blood lead level results. FDA has concerns that the falsely low results may contribute to health risks in special populations such as young children and pregnant individuals.



Expansion of Recall of LeadCare Blood Lead Tests Due to ...

emergency.cdc.gov/han/2021/han00454.asp

# EFFORTS TO INCREASE RATES OF BLOOD LEAD TESTING

# By 2024, CDC will increase the blood lead screening rates up to 50% for children aged 0-3 years in the Medicaid-Eligible population

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#### **CULTIVATE Comprehensive health equity science**

CDC will embed health equity principles in the design, implementation, and evaluation of its research, data, surveillance, and interventions strategies.

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#### **OPTIMIZE interventions**

CDC will use scientific, innovative and data-driven intervention strategies that address environmental, place-based, occupational, policy and systemic factors that impact health outcomes and address drivers of health disparities.

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#### **REINFORCE** and expand robust partnerships

CDC will seek out and strengthen sustainable multi-level, multi-sectoral and community partnerships to advance health equity.

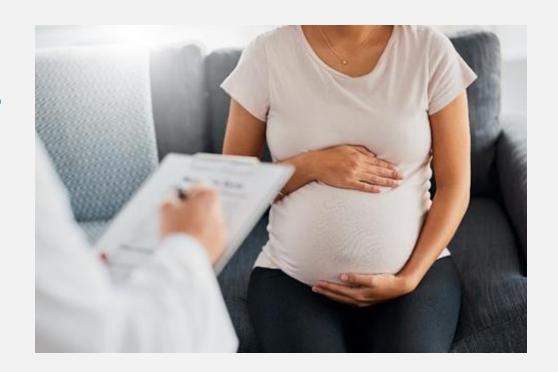


#### **ENHANCE capacity and workforce engagement**

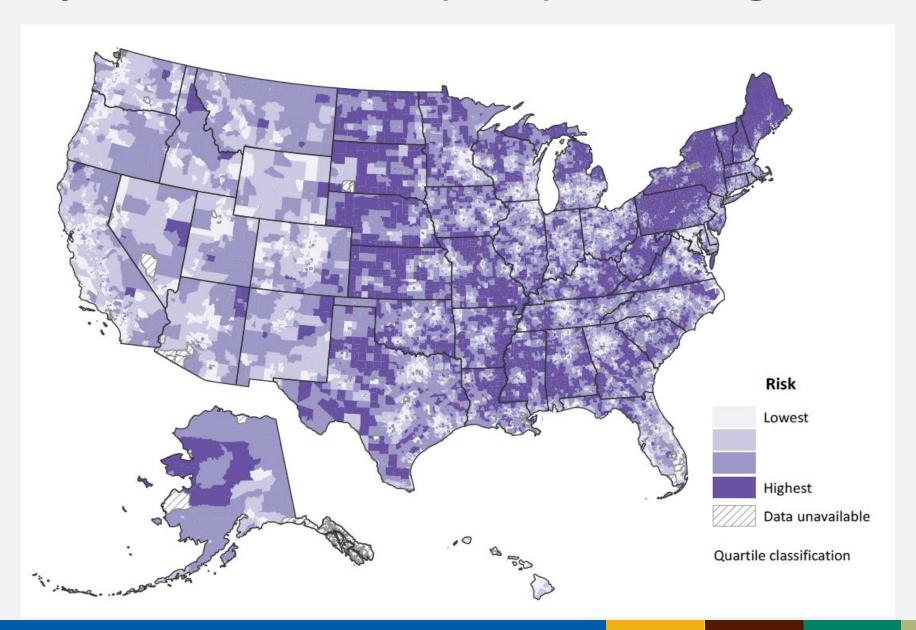
CDC will build internal capacity to cultivate a multi-disciplinary workforce and more inclusive climates, policies, and practices for broader public health impact.

#### **CDC Efforts to Improve Testing**

- Lowering the BLRV
- Epidemiology/surveillance activities
- Communication & Outreach
- Partnerships
- Lead Exposure Risk Index (LERI)



### Lead Exposure Risk Index (LERI) is Coming



### **PURPOSE AND USAGE OF THE BLRV**

### Changes to Definitions for Interpreting Children's Blood Lead Levels Over Time

| Year | Blood lead level (µg/dL) | Interpretation                     |
|------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1960 | ≥60                      | Not applicable                     |
| 1970 | ≥40                      | Undue or increased lead absorption |
| 1975 | ≥30                      | Undue or increased lead absorption |
| 1978 | ≥30                      | Elevated blood lead level          |
| 1985 | ≥25                      | Elevated blood lead level          |
| 1991 | ≥10                      | Level of concern                   |
| 2012 | ≥5                       | Reference value                    |
| 2021 | ≥3.5                     | Reference value                    |

SOURCE: https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/70/wr/mm7043a4.htm?s\_cid=mm7043a4\_w

#### How health departments can use the BLRV

- Use the BLRV to determine the blood lead level required for case management and environmental investigation in their jurisdiction
- Widely promote using the BLRV to identify children with BLLs that are higher than most U.S. children's levels
- Encourage providers to follow CDC's recommended actions based on the BLL

#### How health departments can use the BLRV (cont.)

- Have a secondary prevention strategy to identify and follow up children who are exposed to lead
- Focus screening efforts on high-risk neighborhoods and children based on age of housing and sociodemographic risk factors
- Collaborate with public health and clinical professionals to develop screening plans responsive to local conditions using local data

#### How providers can use the BLRV

- Use the updated reference value to identify children at risk
- Follow CDC's recommended child-specific response actions at or above the BLRV
- Take earlier action to identify and mitigate exposures for children ages 1–5 years with BLLs at or above the BLRV of 3.5 μg/dL

#### How laboratories can use the BLRV

- The updated BLRV may create challenges and opportunities for laboratories that perform blood lead testing including
  - reduce lower reporting limits,
  - update data systems to include decimals (i.e., X.X μg/dL),
  - adopt new repeat testing practices, and/or
  - improve limits of detection of lab developed tests by
    - validating new laboratory-developed tests
    - acquiring new instrumentation

#### Goal and objectives of BLRV post implementation plan

CDC will review the progress of state and local public health agencies and laboratories using four approaches after announcement of the updated BLRV to evaluate progress toward using the updated BLRV and associated impacts.



1. Outreach to select recipients

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- 2. Review surveillance data

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- Review surveillance data
- 3. Analyze Awardee Lead Profile Assessment (ALPA) results

- 1. Outreach to select recipients
- 2. Review surveillance data
- 3. Analyze ALPA results
- 4. Review Laboratory Quality Assurance (QA) and Proficiency Testing (PT)

## The BLRV is only an effective intervention if children receive appropriate testing



**Thank You!** 

To all of you, to our colleagues across NCEH/ATSDR, and to everyone in the fight against childhood lead exposure

# For more information: CDC's Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/nceh/lead/">https://www.cdc.gov/nceh/lead/</a>

For more information, contact NCEH/ATSDR 1-800-CDC-INFO (232-4636)

TTY: 1-888-232-6348 www.atsdr.cdc.gov

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Incorporating a Lead Screening Tool in Well-Child Note Templates
Provider Lead Screening Practices

Tope Awelewa, MBCHB, MPH, IBCLC, FAAP

Clinical Associate Professor, Stead Family Department of Pediatrics

Associate Chief Quality Officer, Ambulatory Services

University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine

### 2:30PM - 2:45PM

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# Elevated Blood Lead Levels Among Children Ages 1-2 (12-35 mo.) Years of Age

Data Evaluation 2019-2021, n = 99,284

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### Background



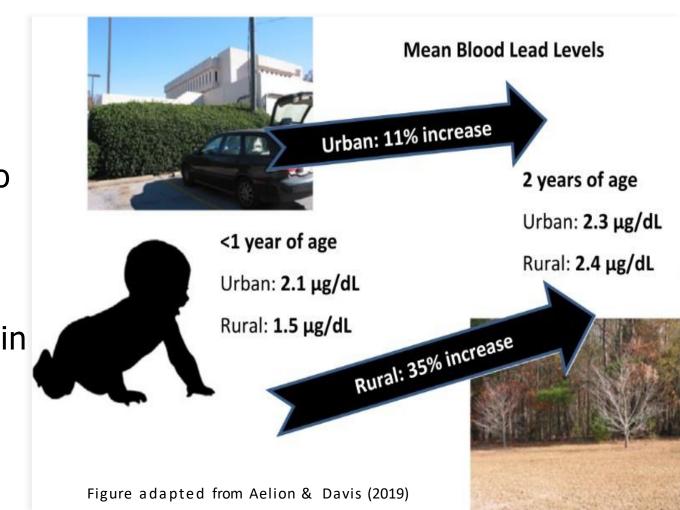




- No safe level of Lead has been identified for children.
- Children are most vulnerable. They absorb 4-5 times more than adults.
- Low levels of lead have been shown to impair a child's intelligence, ability to perform in school, delay physical development, create behavioral problems, and can result in Hearing Loss.
- Pediatric populations at elevated risk:
  - Lower SES
  - Housing built pre 1978,
  - < 6 years of age
  - Immigrant & refugee populations
  - Hispanic/Latinx and Black/African American communities.

# Differences In BLLs And Exposures Of Children Living In Metro vs. Non-Metro Regions

- Most studies examining BLL in children have been performed in metropolitan communities
- Majority of studies examining metro vs. non-metro children have found that metro children have higher average BLLs
- Few studies have found that living in a non-metro area may be a risk factor for elevated BLL



## Exposures For Hispanic/Latinx Children In Non-Metro Regions

#### Predictors for BLL ≥5 µg/dL

- gender & age
- generational status
- home language
- income
- head of the household education level
- age of housing & drinking water sources
- immigration from country with high levels of lead in environment

#### Exposure sources for Hispanic/Latinx communities

- older housing (pre-78)
- bare soil
- occupational exposures (construction or home renovation)
- lead painted or glazed ceramic pottery or cookware
- candies and foods imported from Mexico
- traditional folk remedies







### Elevated BLL In Metro Non-Hispanic Black Children

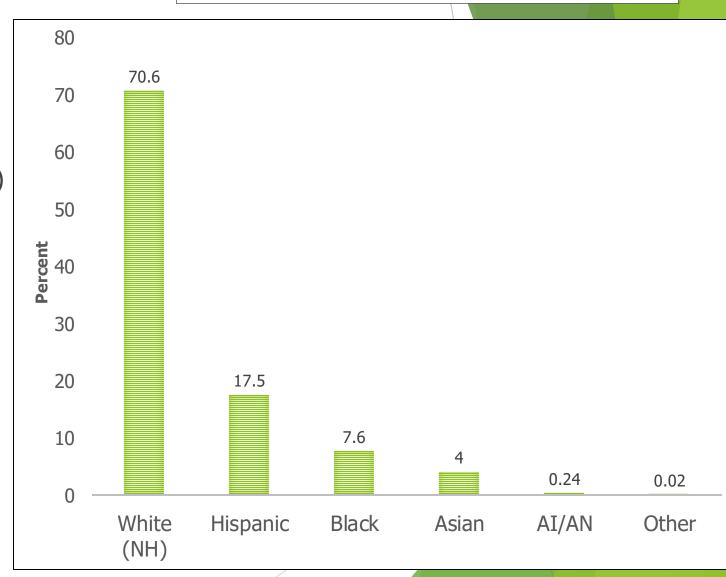
- ☐ Well established racial disparity in BLL
  - disparities persist despite overall decrease in lead exposure in the US
  - one study using NHANES data found that 21.8% of non-Hispanic Black children had a BLL between 2.5-5µg/dL compared to 11.71% of non-Hispanic White children
- ☐ Key exposures
  - household dust contamination
  - old housing
  - ambient air exposures
- ☐ Seasonal patterns to lead exposure
  - peaking in summer and autumn



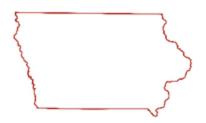
### The Sample

- Data from the Healthy Homes & Lead Poisoning Surveillance System (HHLPSS)
- 99,284 children ages 1-2 years (12-35 mo.)
- Years 2019-2021
- ▶ 62% of the sample had unknown race/ethnicity
- 80% of samples were taken by capillary
  - 13% venous
  - 6.8% unknown

The Race/Ethnicity Composition of the Sample (2019-2021)



## What are the Measures and Trends to Explore?



Geographic Variation

County of Residence & Statistical Region





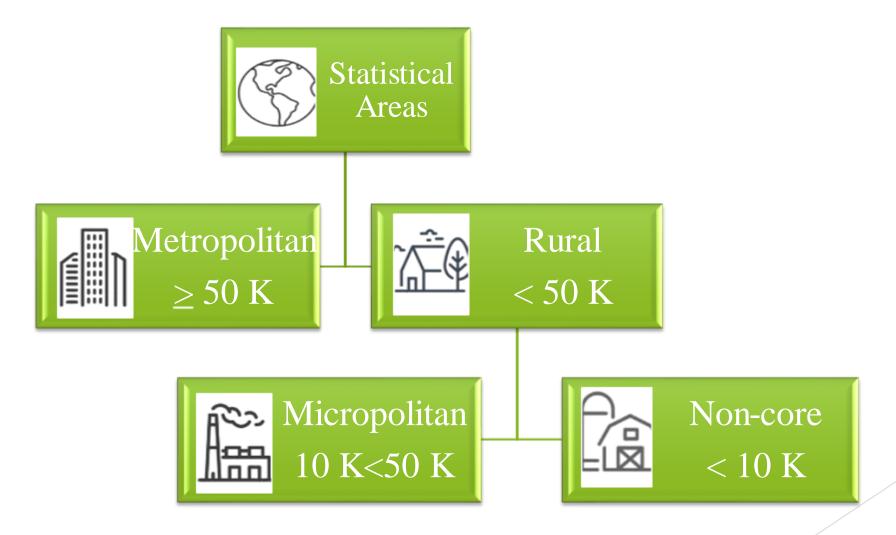
Demographic Variables

Race/Ethnicity, Age, & Gender

High Blood Lead Levels

CDC Definition: Children with a result of 3.5 µg/dL or higher \* If a child was retested, the most recent test was analyzed.

### The Definitions for Statistical Regions



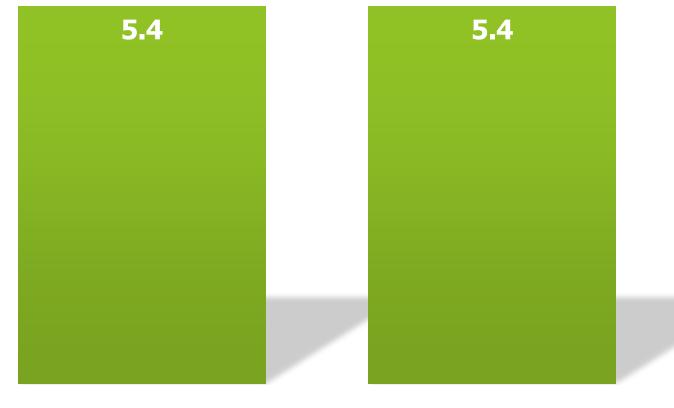
\*Statistical Areas defined by The Office of Management and Budget (OMB)

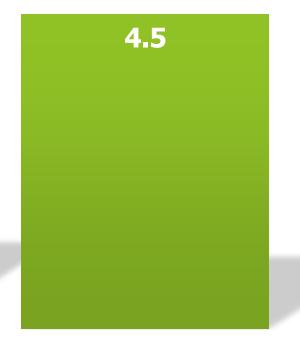
# From 2019 to 2021, **5.1%** of children ages 1-2 had a high blood Lead test result



# What is the Proportion of Children with an EBL by Year?

| Age   | EBL in 2021 (%)    |
|-------|--------------------|
| 12-23 | 3.8 (M:3.9, F:3.8) |
| 24-36 | 5.7 (M:6.3, F:5.2) |





2019 2020 2021

### Where do Children Reside Who Had a High Blood Lead Test?



46% reside in Metro (> 50 K)



21.9% reside in Micropolitan (10K<50K)



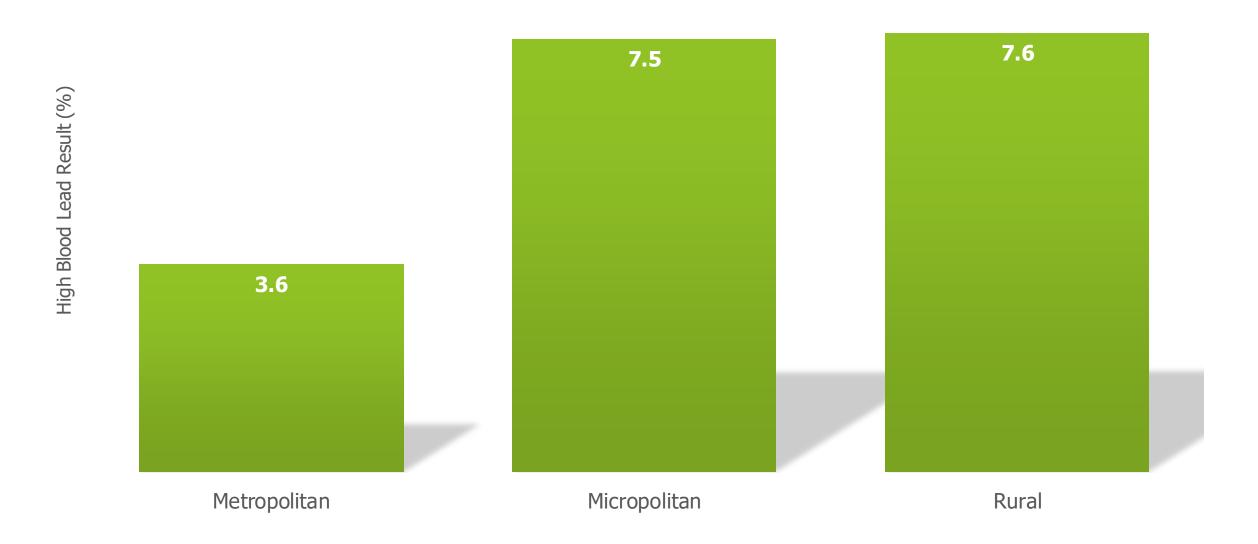
32.2%

reside in non-core (< 10 K)

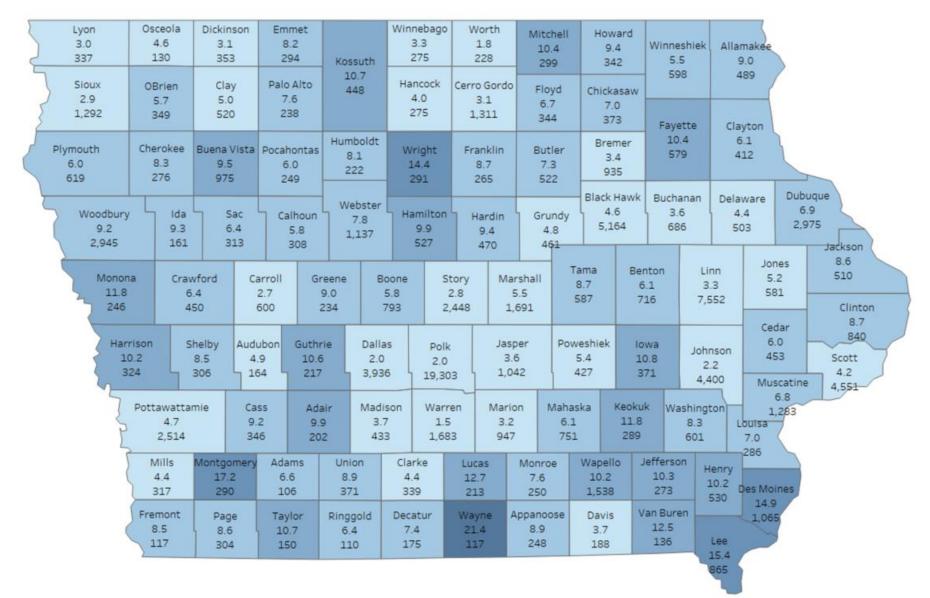
#### What Factors Predict EBLs?

- ❖ Those who resided in non-core (OR: 2.6, CI: 2.2-3.1) and micropolitan locations (OR: 2.1, CI: 1.7-2.5) were more than two times more likely to have EBLs (ref. Metro).
- Hispanic (OR: 1.41, CI: 1.2-1.7), Black/AA (OR: 1.40, CI: 1.04-1.88), and AI (2.94, CI:1.03-8.39) populations all had higher odds of EBLS (ref. White).
- ❖ Two Year Olds were 1.5 times more likely to have EBLs than those who were younger (CI:1.31-1.80).
- There was no statistically significant difference in EBLs between children who were male and female.

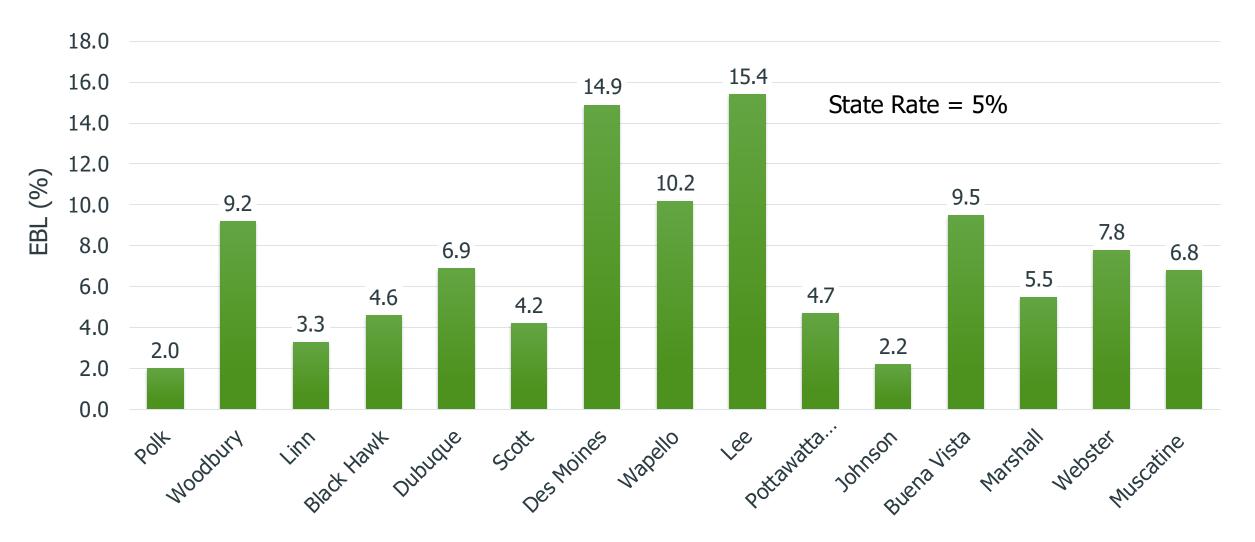
### The Proportion of Children with a High Blood Lead Test Result by Statistical Region of Residence



#### The Proportion of Children with a 'High' Blood Lead Test Result by County of Residence

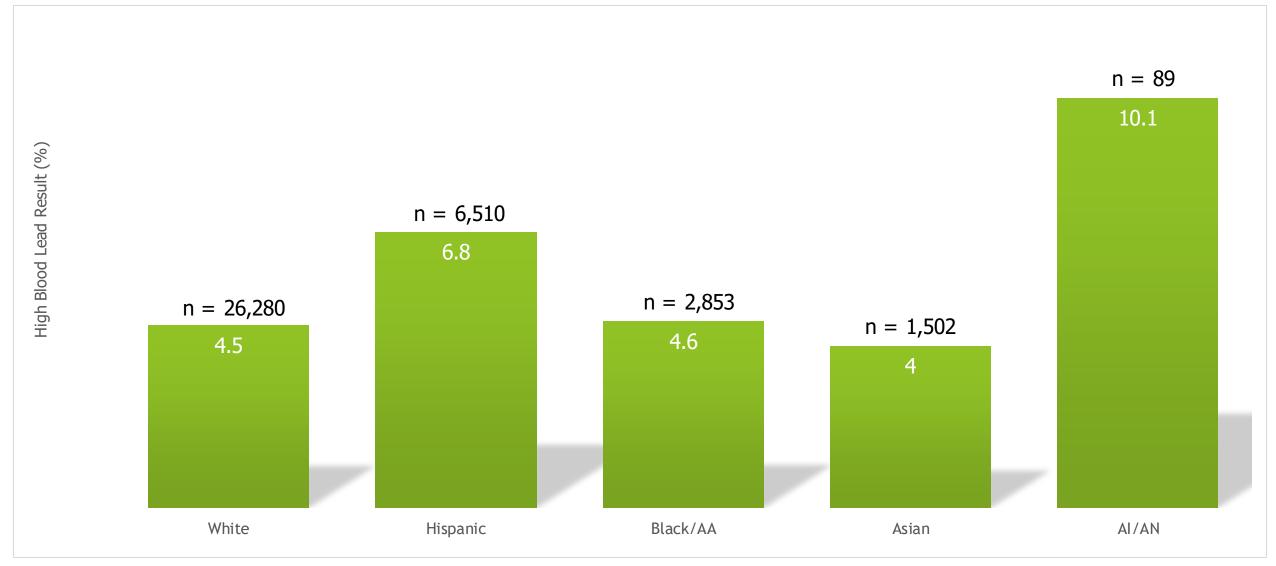


### What is the Proportion of Children with a High Blood Lead Test Result Among Top Contributing Counties of Residence?

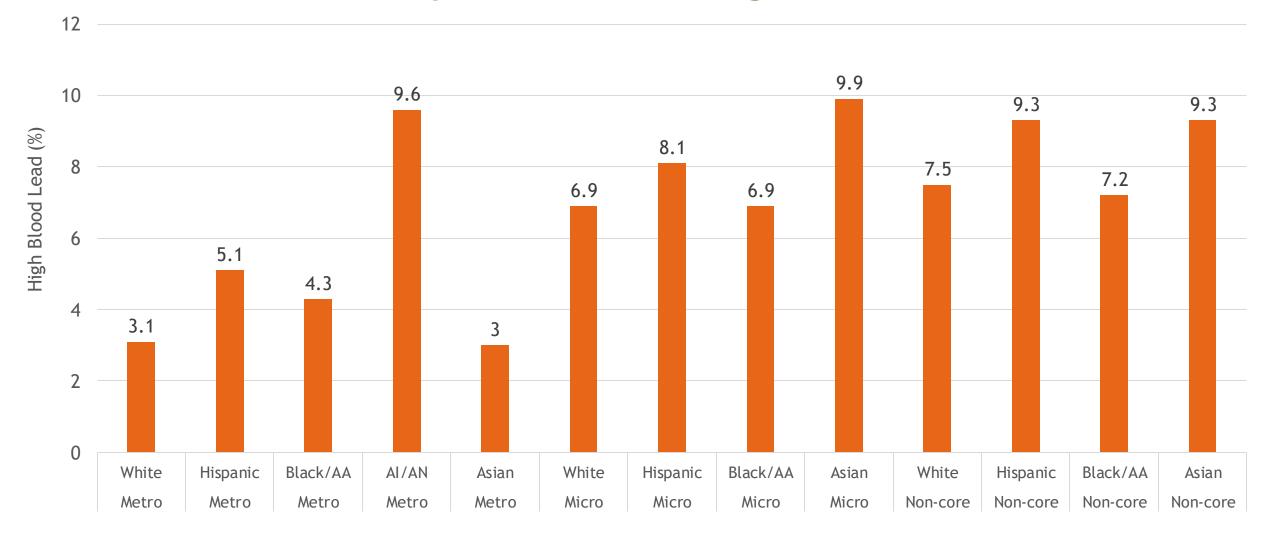


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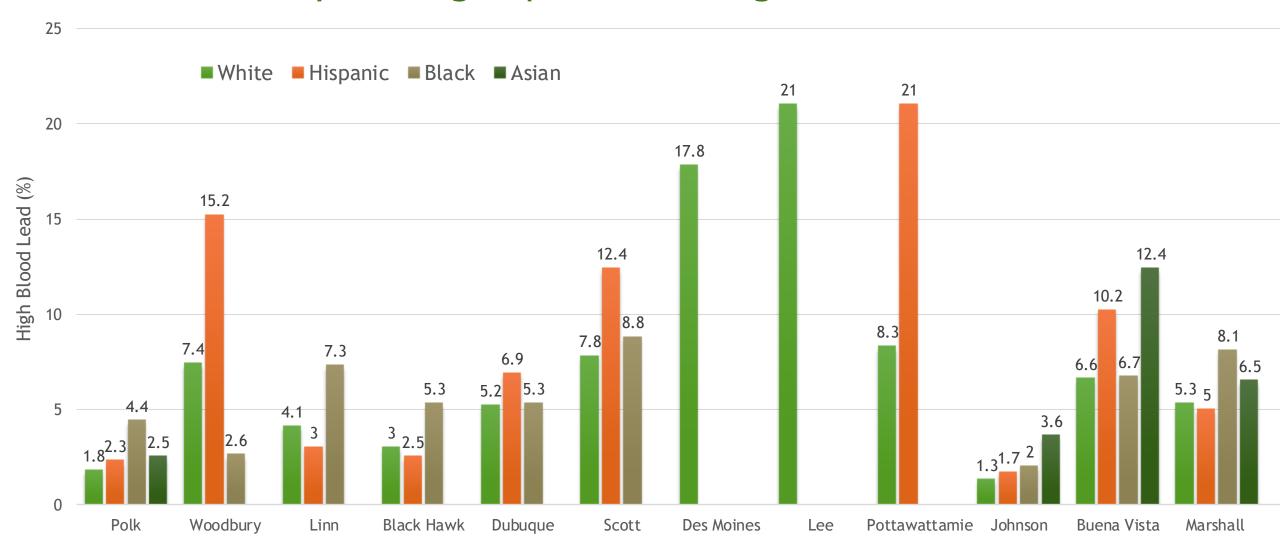


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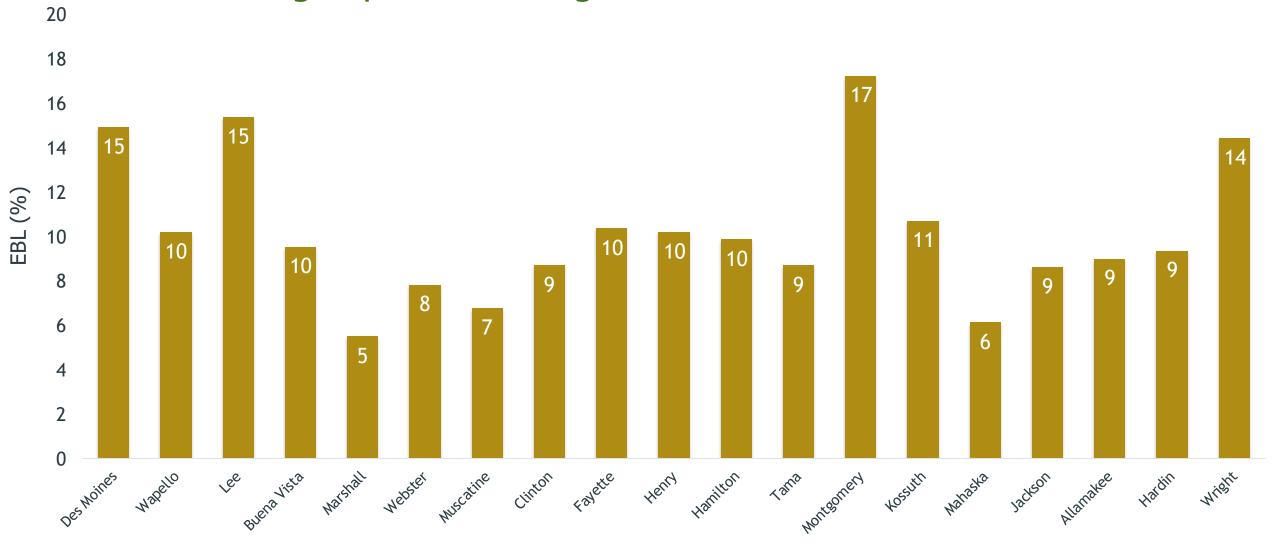
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## What is the Proportion of Children with a High Blood Lead Test Result Among Top Contributing Rural Counties of Residence?



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# White (NH) Children in Des Moines County have a high blood Lead test result of **17%**

Hispanic children in Buena Vista (10%) and Wright County (17%) have EBLS.

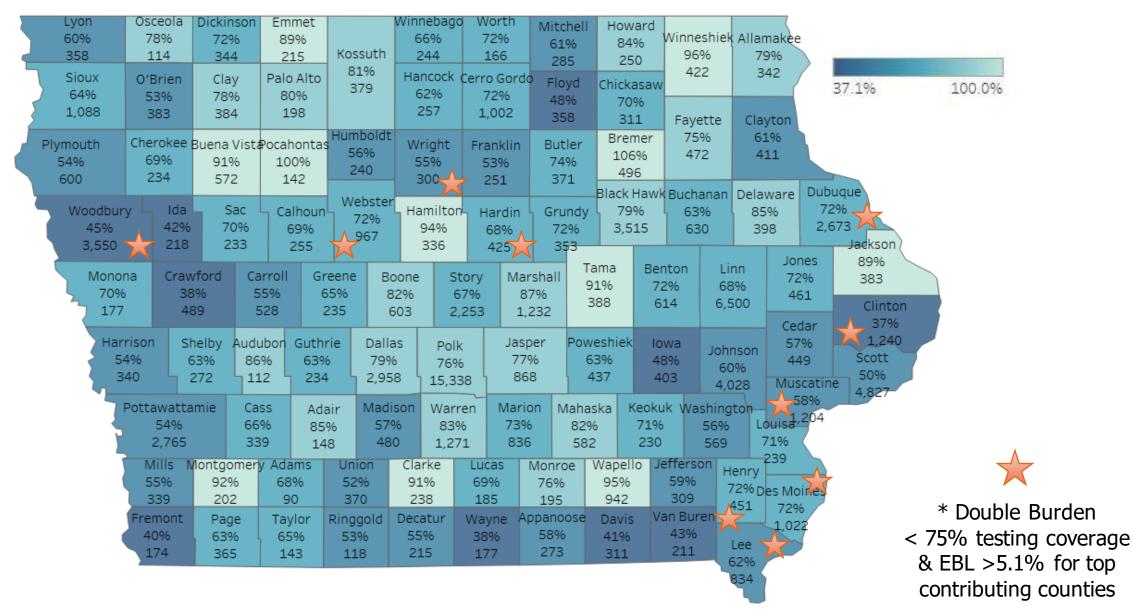


How do These Findings Compare to Testing Rates in the State for 1 and 2 Yr. Olds?

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## The Avg. Rate of Testing for 2019 & 2020 for 1 & 2 Yr. Olds in the State of Iowa



#### Recap



- Overall, the proportion of children with EBLs has decreased since 2019 and 2020.
- ▶ Rural communities are more than 2 times more likely to have EBLs compared to those in Metro locations.
- ► American Indian children had the highest percentage of children with EBL (10%) followed by Hispanic (6.5%), Black/AA (4.6%), & White (NH, 4.5%).
- ▶ Apart from AI children who resided in metro areas, all other race/ethnicity groups had higher EBLs in rural counties (micro & non-core).
- In Metropolitan locations, children who identified as AI/AN and Hispanic had the highest % of children with a EBLs.
- ► The counties Woodbury, Dubuque, Des Moines, Wapello, and Lee not only contribute a larger percentage of children with high Lead levels in their blood but also have higher proportions.
- ► A large number of counties experiencing the 'double burden" are in the lower southeast corner of the state.

#### Discussion



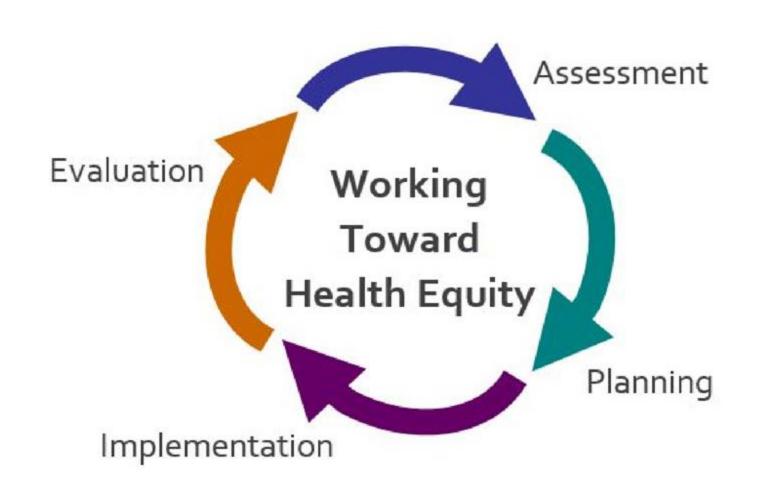
- Analysis needs to be performed to identify health behaviors and environmental factors that may be impacting EBLs in rural areas.
- The counties with higher EBLs among the Hispanic community were Woodbury (15%), Buena Vista (10%), Wright (17%), Wapello (9.7), Scott (12.4%), and Webster (19.8%).
- The Black/AA population who had the highest proportion of EBLs were those who reside in Dubuque (22%) followed by Scott County (8.8%).
- > The Asian population who had the highest EBLs were those who reside in Buena Vista (12.4%).
- > Lead exposure from water in Lead service pipes are a big issue in Iowa.
- National analysis a lot of times are helpful but state analysis tells the needs of a program! What may be a predictor for EBLs for one population may not be for another.

#### Limitations

- ▶ 8 out 10 samples were capillary.
- Some populations sizes were considerably small.
- ▶ More than 60% of the sample had unknown for race/ethnicity.
- ► Reduced Testing Rates for 2 year olds which impacts the assessment of EBLS among this population.
- Do not collect testing rates by race/ethnicity



#### How Are We Using This Data?



#### Addressing Double Burden: Health Equity Framework

#### Assessment

- Using data to health inequalities in specific population groups
- Identify WHY and HOW

#### Planning •

- Applying Health Equity Lens
- **Engaging Community**
- Program policy and guideline changes
- Health Equity Impact Assessment

#### Implementation \



- Communication (Effective/Inclusive)
- Health Measures (Physical & Mental)

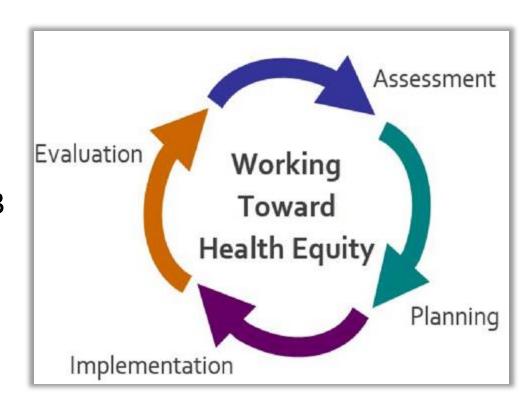
#### Evaluation /



- Assess impact & effectiveness
- Share findings
- Ongoing QI

#### Tentative Implementation Plan

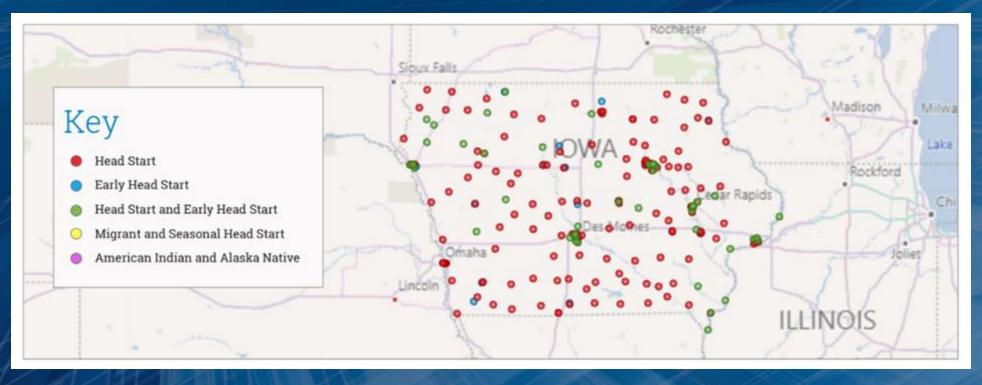
- Develop Strategy: Fall 2022
- Identify "Double Burden" County: Fall 2022
- Engage community: Winter 2022-2023
- Develop Health Equity Strategy: Winter 2022-2023
- Implement HE Strategy: Winter/Spring 2023
- Evaluate HE Strategy: Throughout 2023
- Health Equity Report: Fall 2023





Questions?

# Head Start



Lead and our children: How Head Start plays a role in proactive and responsive approaches to keeping children healthy

Department of Education

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#### Mission

Head Start promotes the school readiness of young children from low income families by enhancing their cognitive, social, and emotional development.

Support the comprehensive development of children from birth to age 5, in centers, child care partner locations, and in their own homes, in a variety of ways.

- Education
- Health
- Parent Involvement
- Social Services



#### Pre-Birth to Five Services

#### **Early Head Start**

- Prenatal, Birth-age 3
- Purpose:Promote healthy prenatal outcomes for pregnant women including follow-up, enhance the development of very young children (infants and toddlers), and promote healthy family functioning.

#### **Head Start**

- Ages 3-5
- Purpose: Promote the school readiness of children ages 3 to 5 years.



Program options may include center-based or home visitation services.

#### Services

- Child development and education
- Determination of child's health status
- Services for children with disabilities
- Nutritious meals
- Mental wellness
- Parent education
- Home visits
- Transitions



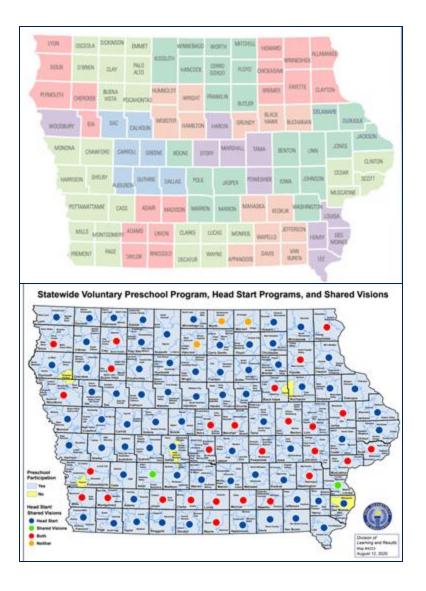




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#### Accessibility

- Meet family income guidelines
- Recipients (grantees) may serve up to 35% of their enrollment with children whose incomes are between 100-130% of poverty. (This is in addition to the current 10% over-income.)
- Categorical Eligibility:
  - Children in foster care regardless of income
  - Children who are homeless
  - Families receiving FIP/SNAP



#### Health & Wellness Initiatives

- Lead Awareness
  - **Lead Prevention**

  - Leadie Eddie Get the Lead Out (CHEEC) University of Iowa HSPPS 1302.42- Child Health Status and Care-
  - testing and follow-up HSPPS 1302.46 Family Support Services for Health, Nutrition, and Mental Health- education
- Nutrition Building Blocks to prevent obesity

  o I Am Moving I Am Learning (IMIL) 2004
  o Health and wellness

  - Cognitive health for learning
- Oral Health
  - I-Smile
- Inclusion
  - Programs must use ten percent of the spaces for children with disabilities.
- PBIS (Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports)







#### Health Advisory Committee

- HSPPS 1302.53
- Comprised of:

  - Community Health Professionals (ex. dentist, physicians...)
     Community Partners ex. (Medicaid partners, substance àbuse treatment providers..)Head Start Families

  - Head Start Staff
- Purpose:
  - Identify resources;
  - Develop policies and procedures;
  - Other activities...







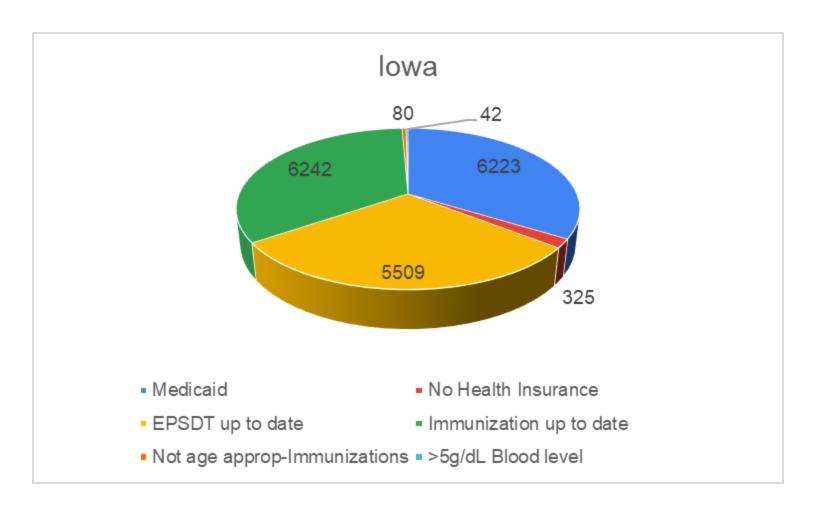
#### Drake University Head Start



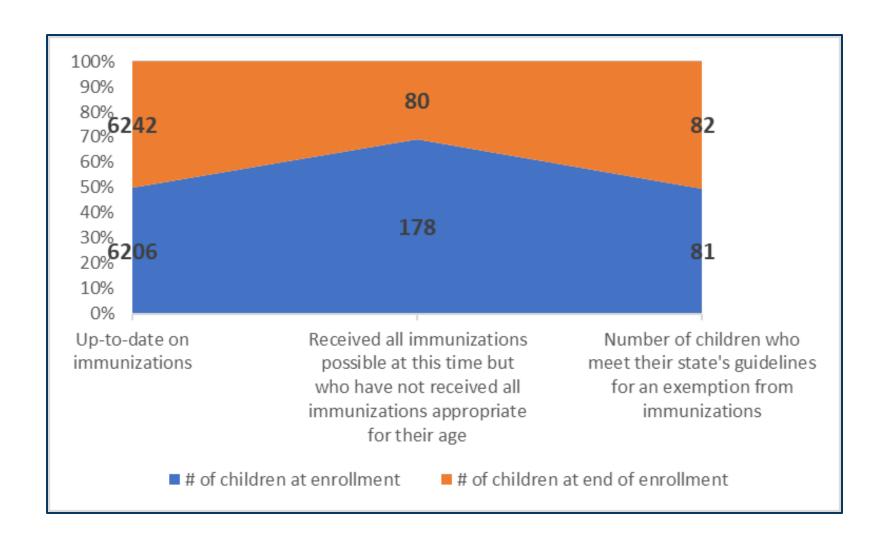
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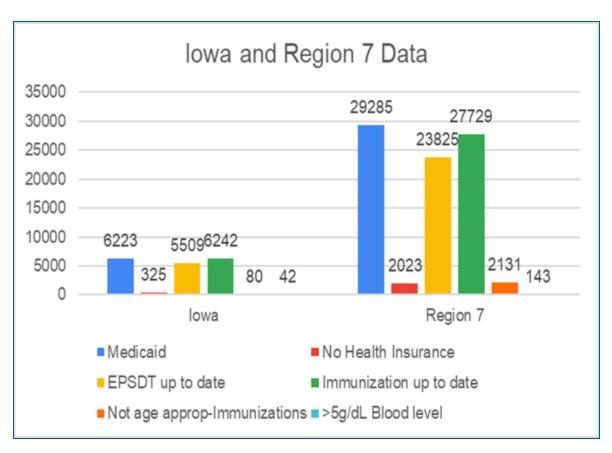
#### Iowa Data



#### **Immunizations**

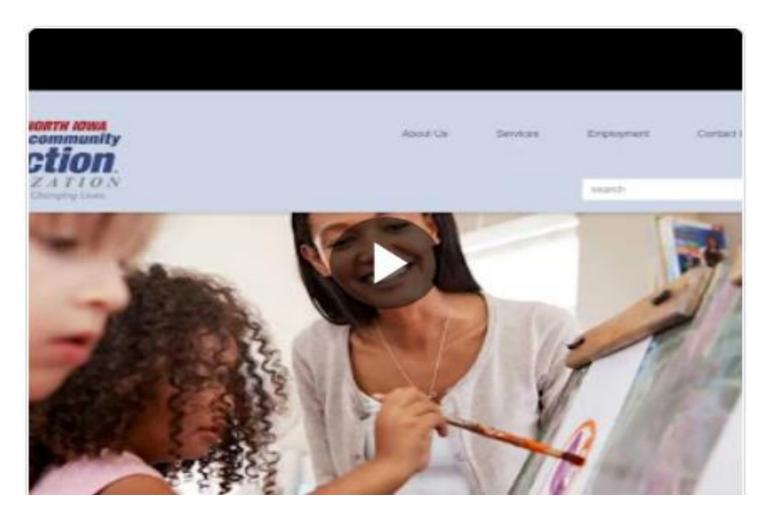


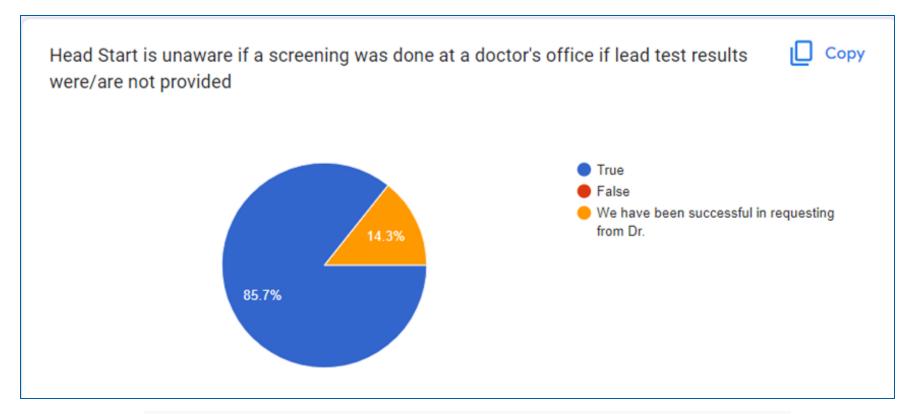
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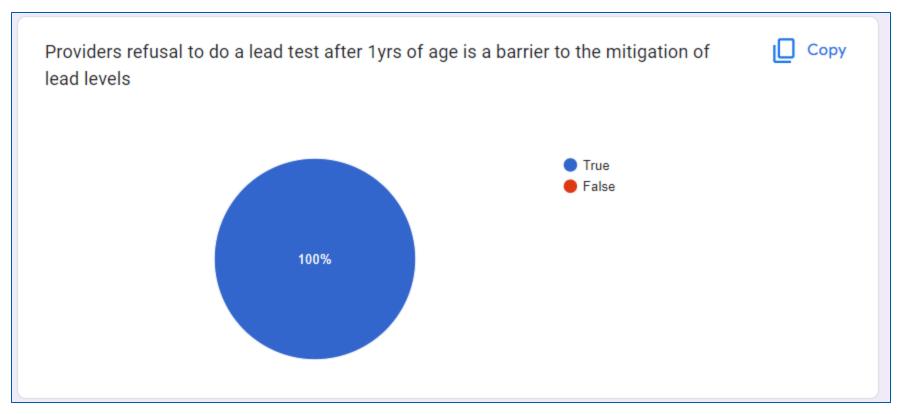
| Out of total enrollment                      |      |     |
|----------------------------------------------|------|-----|
|                                              | Iowa | R7  |
| Medicaid                                     | 86%  | 89% |
| No health insurance                          | 4%   | 6%  |
| EPSDT up to date                             | 76%  | 72% |
| Immunizations up to date                     | 86%  | 84% |
| Age appropriate Immunizations not up to date | 1%   | 6%  |
| >5g/dL Blood<br>Level                        | >1%  | >1% |

#### **NICAO**

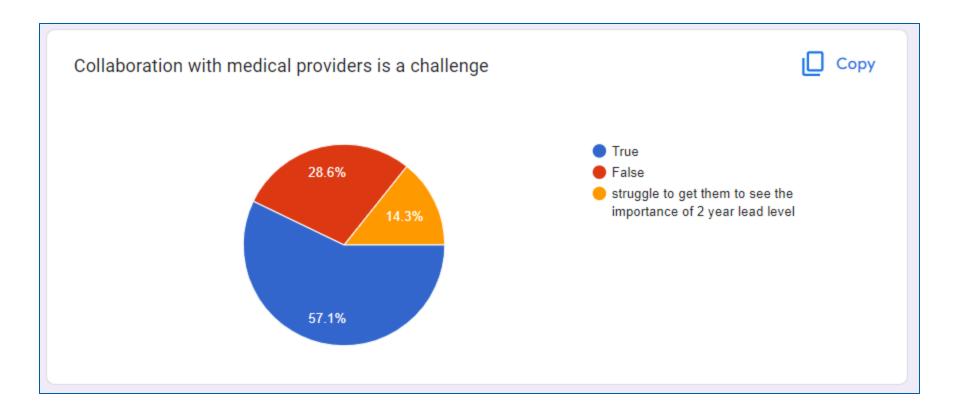




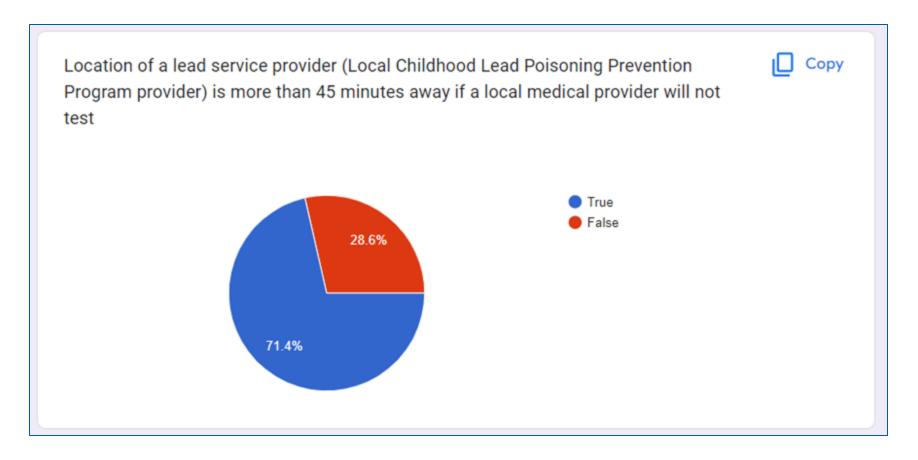
"Our families operate in a state of 'survival.' So for many it is difficult for us to obtain results because they do not remember clinic times for testing. If it isn't done while they are at the doctors appointment the follow through with families is a challenge."



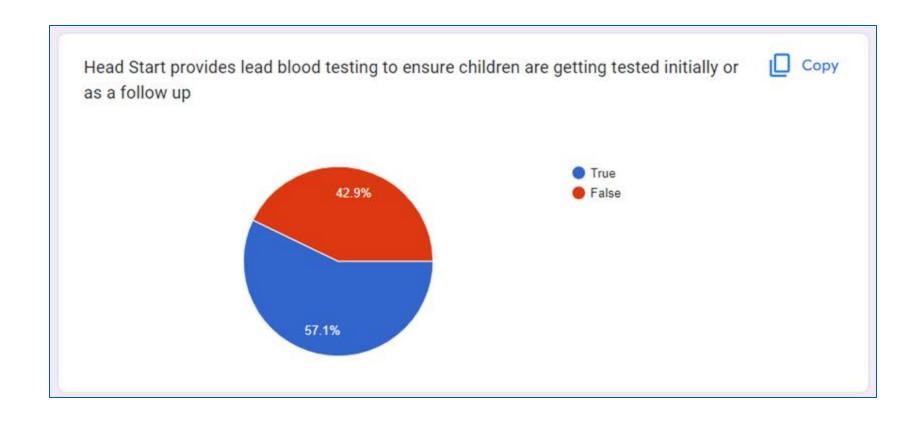
"Our families are transient, if they move into the area the providers are not looking at the historic data. Did they have a lead test prior, do they need one now? If it was listed on the Immunization list and in IRIS it would help us work on mitigation."



"We used to be fortunate to have lead prevention in our backyard but once it moved to the State it is hard to get results."



"Some of our families do not have insurance or clinics in our area do not accept medicaid. They are being asked to go 45min away for a test. With transportation barriers, gas, etc. it impedes testing from happening for these at risk children.



"Access to results at the state-this would alleviate the issues of unnecessary retesting or trouble getting releases to medical providers."

#### History

- May 18, 1965
- Federal to local funding
- Local control of programming
- Local program options



#### U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

#### **ACF**

Administration for Children and Families

ACF- Office of Head Start

#### **ACF-** Regional Office

Iowa- Region VII- Kansas City

#### Recipient

Head Start or Early Head Start

#### **Head Start**

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**Empowering Families** 

#### Changing Communities

Head Start Early Childhood Learning and Knowledge Center site



# DISCUSSION SECTION

Send your questions for presenters In the chat!

### CALL TO ACTION

Childhood Lead Advisory Workgroup (CLAW) Is practicing collective Impact throughout the year.

#### **CLAW Contributions:**

- Meaningful Metrics
- Lead and Housing Survey
- Annual Lead Report Cards
- Training Modules
- Annual Learning Collaborative
- Lead Stakeholder Survey
- Updated Lead Testing Screening Tool
- Social Media Message Review

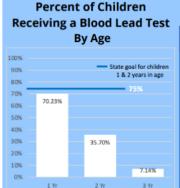


## REPORT CARD

OF ALL IOWA CHILDREN O TO 6 YEARS OLD ONLY

**WERE TESTED FOR LEAD** 

#### ALL CHILDREN SHOULD BE TESTED AT 1 AND 2 YEARS OF AGE











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## CALL TO ACTION

- Future of the CLAW:
- Resource Directory
- Quality Improvement of the screening tool
- Academic detailing for providers

# BE PART OF THE CONVERSATION, JOIN THE CLAW TODAY!

#### Thank you!!

- Please take our post evaluation
- You will receive an email from APHA to complete the process for CEUs
- You will have access to the slides as well as recording within the week
  - keep an eye out for an email from us!