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Lead poisoning is a danger parents cannot ignore. Children exposed to even small amounts of lead can face lifelong behavioral and learning problems.

A new program from the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services provides free testing kits to check homes for lead paint dust, the most common source of childhood lead poisoning.



Take the time NOW
to protect your
growing family.

Testing your home for lead paint dust is recommended if:

- You are pregnant or have children six years old or younger living in your home
- Your home was built before 1978
- You don't know when your home was built

Wipe Out Lead NJ provides expectant parents in select New Jersey cities with free testing kits to determine if their home contains harmful levels of lead paint dust.

Call 888-722-2903
For More Information



Wipe Out Lead New Jersey is a program of the NJ Department of Health and Senior Services, lead poisoning prevention programs, under the direction of Family Health Initiatives.

Expecting...

Now is the time to protect your baby from lead poisoning.



Helping Expectant Parents
Identify Harmful Lead Dust in the Home

Lead...

It is found in paint,
the soil and water pipes.

But the most common source of lead that poisons children is dust from lead based paint. Lead paint is found in older homes, those built

before 1978 when lead paint was banned. If a home



Testing now provides information about your home's safety before the baby arrives

is kept in good condition, lead paint is generally not dangerous. However opening and closing lead painted windows, or remodeling, can produce hazardous levels of lead dust.

The normal actions of babies and children place them at high risk for lead poisoning. Crawling and putting things in their mouths exposes infants to getting lead in their bodies.

Help protect your baby. Use the Wipe Out Lead NJ kit to find out if your home has a dangerous level of lead dust.



The Wipe Out Lead NJ test kit contains all you need

The gloves, wipes, instructions, and even a pre-paid return envelope.

- **Testing takes about 20 minutes. And it's easy.**

You do not need any special skills. Just wipe two small areas. Put the dirty wipes in a tube and mail. Simple.

- **Within 2-3 weeks the results will be mailed to you.**

You'll learn if your home has lead dust and if the amount is high enough for further action.

- **Wipe Out Lead NJ is a first step.**

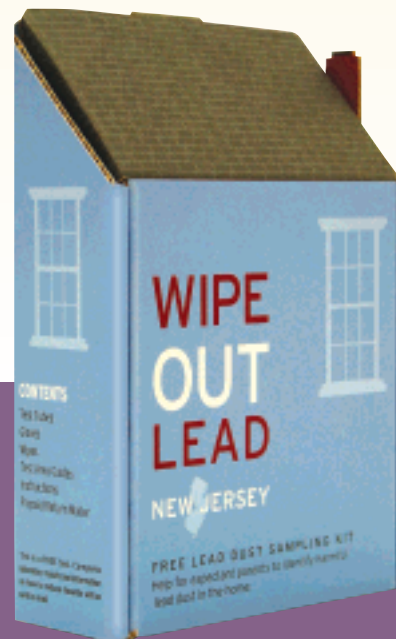
Testing helps identify if a problem exists. A more complete risk assessment may be needed.

- **Who is eligible**

Free kits are now available to pregnant women in select NJ cities identified with high rates of childhood lead poisoning.



Whether you rent or own, testing your home for lead paint dust is an important step in protecting your baby.



To find out if you are eligible for a free testing kit from Wipe Out Lead NJ

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