

Requirements for Lead Testing*

Arkansas

* This information is subject to change

Licensure

Facility must: Hold a CLIA Certificate of Waiver or higher.

1. Complete the application for a CLIA Certificate of Waiver (<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/cmsforms/downloads/cms116.pdf>)
2. Mail or fax completed applications to:
HEALTH FACILITY SERVICES Slot H9
Arkansas Department of Health and Human Services
5800 West 10th Street, Suite 400
Little Rock, AR 72204-9916
Fax: (501) 280-4930

For questions or more information, please contact the Office of Health Facility Services at (501) 661-2201.

Patient Testing

Training Tools: www.LeadCare2.com/training

Facility must: Confirm capillary blood lead test results greater than or equal to 5 µg/dL with a venous sample by a reference lab.

Quality Control

Facility must: Run two levels of Quality Control according to the manufacturer's instructions, which are:

1. Each new lot of test kits.
2. Each new shipment of materials even if it's the same lot previously received.
3. Each new operator (i.e. operator who has not performed the test recently).
4. Monthly, as a check on continued storage conditions.
5. When problems (storage, operator, instrument, or other) are suspected or identified.
6. If otherwise required by your laboratory's standard QC procedures.

Result Reporting

Reporting Solutions by State: www.LeadCare2.com/reporting

Facility must:

1. Report blood lead results over 5 µg/dL (patients 6 yrs and younger), and over 10 µg/dL (patients 73 months and older), within 24 hours to the Arkansas Department of Health via:
 - Fax to 501-661-2428; (Using the Communicable Disease Reporting Form)
 - 24 hr. answering machine 800-482-8888; or
 - In person to 501-537-8969
2. Include the following information:
 - a. the reporter's name, location and phone number;
 - b. the name and onset date of the disease;
 - c. the patient's name, address, phone number, age, sex and race;
 - d. the attending physician's name, location and phone number;
 - e. any pertinent clinical, laboratory, and treatment information.

For more information, please visit <http://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/programsServices/epidemiology/Documents/ReportableDisease.pdf>

Proficiency Testing

Recommended: To monitor the quality of your blood lead testing program.

Contact Wisconsin State Laboratory of Hygiene (WSLH) proficiency program for more information about their program at 800-462-5261 or go to www.wslhpt.org.

Still Have Questions?

- Call LeadCare Product Support at (800) 275-0102
- Please contact the non-emergency disease reporting system at (800) 482-8888