

Requirements for Lead Testing*

Georgia

* 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://dch.georgia.gov/sites/dch.georgia.gov/files/related_files/document/LAB_LicensurePacket_8-7-12.pdf)
2. Mail or fax completed applications to:
DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY HEALTH
Healthcare Facility Regulation Division
Diagnostic Services Unit
2 Peachtree Street, N.W., Suite 31-447
Atlanta, GA 30303-3142
Fax: (404) 657-5442

For questions or more information, please contact the Department of Community Health (CLIA Division) at (404) 657-5447.

Patient Testing

Training Tools: www.LeadCare2.com/training

Facility must: Confirm capillary blood lead test results greater than or equal to 7 µg/dL with a capillary or venous sample by a reference lab. (Venous sample is preferred.)

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 All results, within 7 days, to the state via State Electronic Notifiable Disease Surveillance System (SENDSS) – <http://sendss.state.ga.us>

For more information regarding lead reporting and SENDSS:
<http://dph.georgia.gov/lead-screening-lab-submissions-reporting-guidelines> or (404) 657-6534

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
- Contact the Georgia Healthy Homes and Lead Poisoning Prevention Program at (404) 463-3754