

Requirements for Lead Testing*

Maryland

* This information is subject to change

Licensure

Facility must: Hold a CLIA Certificate of Waiver **and** Maryland Letter of Exception for blood lead testing.

Mail completed application to:
MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & MENTAL HYGIENE
Office of Health Care Quality – Laboratory Licensing Programs
Spring Grove Center – Bland Bryant Building
55 Wade Avenue
Catonsville, MD 21228
Phone: (410) 402-8025

For laboratory licensure information, please go to <http://dhmh.maryland.gov/ohcq/Labs/Pages/Licensure.aspx>

To **Add Lead Testing** to your existing license, fill out “Laboratory Licensing Change Form” -
<http://dhmh.maryland.gov/ohcq/Labs/docs/LabsForms/Change%20Form%20revised2.pdf>

For questions or more information, please contact Mr. Paul Celli at (410) 402-8022.

Patient Testing

Training Tools: www.LeadCare2.com/training

Facility must: Confirm capillary blood lead test results ≥ 10 $\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$ 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.

Critically Elevated Blood Lead Levels

Facility Must: Fax all blood lead test results greater than or equal to 10 $\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$ within 24 hours.

Result Reporting

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

Facility must:

1. Report all blood lead results within 2 weeks of final test results.
Go to <http://www.leadcare2.com/Product-Support/Reporting-Solutions> to download a FREE copy of the LeadCare[®] reporting form.

For detailed reporting information contact Ezatollah Keyvan-Larjani at (410) 537-3987.

Proficiency Testing

Required: Labs must enroll in and participate satisfactorily in an approved blood lead PT program.
Most LeadCare II users are enrolled in WSLH (<http://www.slh.wisc.edu/proficiency/>).

Contact Wisconsin State Laboratory of Hygiene (WSLH) proficiency program for more information about their program at (800) 462-5261 or go to <http://www.slh.wisc.edu/proficiency/>

Still Have Questions?

- Contact the LeadCare Product Support Team at (800) 275-0102
- Contact Ezatollah Keyvan-Larjani, MD, Maryland Department of the Environment Lead Poisoning Prevention Program
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