

leadcare II™

Blood lead testing in North Carolina

This information is subject to change

Who needs to be tested?

Universal

- Federal rules require blood lead testing of all Medicaid children at ages 1 and 2 years old, and up to 6 years old if they have not been previously tested.
- A lead test is required for all Head Start children prior to enrollment.
- Discuss lead risk exposure as part of the first prenatal visit. Per CDC & ACOG recommendations, test when a single risk factor is identified.
 - For more information: [CDC's Guidelines for the Identification and Management of Lead Exposure in Pregnant And Lactating Women](#)

Targeted

- Test all WIC and Health Choice enrolled children at 12 and 24 months
- Test all children living in high-risk zip codes at 12 and 24 months, and up to 6 years old if they have not been previously tested.
- All refugee children 6 months to 16 years of age are to be tested at the time of arrival in the US and again for children 6 months to 6 years of old, three to six months after placement in a permanent residence regardless of initial test results.
- All other children should be screened with the Lead Risk Assessment Questionnaire at 1 and 2 years old and up to 6 years old.
 - Refer to <http://ehs.ncpublichealth.com/docs/forms/cehu/2012-0416-46LeadRiskAssessmentQuestionnaire3958.pdf>

For detailed information:

<http://ehs.ncpublichealth.com/hhccehb/cehu/lead/docs/2016ClinicalTrainingManualFINAL042116.pdf>

What is the reimbursement?*

- CPT Code 36416, Collection of a capillary blood specimen, ~\$3.00
- CPT Code 83655, Blood Lead
- Private Insurance: ~ \$12.00
- Medicaid : ~ \$15.00

** Actual reimbursement rates vary by plan and should be verified.*

What do you need to get started?

State Licensure

- CLIA Certificate of Waiver or higher

Lead Testing Reporting Requirements

- **ALL** blood lead results must be reported to the state.
For more detailed information, refer to the NC Administrative Code 130A-131.8 at:
<http://ehs.ncpublichealth.com/hhccehb/cehu/lead/docs/generalstatutes.pdf>

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