

Blood lead testing in New Hampshire

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Who needs to be tested?

Universal

- Federal rules require blood lead testing of all Medicaid children at ages 1 and 2 years old, and 3 to 6 year olds if they have not been previously tested.
- Lead test required for all Head Start children prior to enrollment.
- Discuss lead exposure with all women who are planning a pregnancy, pregnant or lactating. CDC & ACOG recommendation testing 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

Per [NH state law](#), Senate Bill (SB) 247, signed into law February 9, 2018:

- Test ALL children at 12 months and again at 24 months (2 tests).
- Test ALL children 3 to 6 years old who haven't been tested.
- For refugee children:
 - Test all children between 6 months and 16 years old upon entry into the US.
 - Regardless of initial test result, conduct a follow up on all children 6 months to 6 years old
- For more information:
<https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/bchs/clpp/documents/pedi-need2know-testchnng.pdf>

What is the reimbursement?*

- CPT Code 36416, Collection of a capillary blood specimen, ~\$3.00
- CPT Code 83655, Blood Lead
- Private Insurance: ~ \$15.00
- Medicaid : ~ \$10.00

** 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:
http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rules/state_agencies/he-p1600.html

Need Help?

- Call LeadCare Product Support at (800) 275-0102
- Visit our website at www.MagellanDx.com
- Contact the NH Healthy Homes and Lead Poisoning Prevention Program at (603) 271-4507, LeadInfo@dhhs.nh.gov or visit <https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/bchs/clpp/index.htm>

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