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Blood lead testing in Washington

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 3 to 6 year olds if they have not been previously tested.
- A lead test is 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

- "Health care providers should use clinical judgment when screening for lead toxicity using nationally-recognized screening criteria."
- Recommendations for Blood Lead Testing of Children in Washington State can be found at: <http://www.doh.wa.gov/Portals/1/Documents/Pubs/334-394.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: ~ \$12.00

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

What do you need to get started?

State Licensure

- WA Medical Test Site Certificate of Waiver or higher. Instructions can be found here: <http://www.doh.wa.gov/Portals/1/Documents/Pubs/505038.pdf>
- Phlebotomists must be licensed and certified in order to perform capillary finger-stick collection. <http://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/ProfessionsNewReneworUpdate/MedicalAssistant/FrequentlyAskedQuestions#4>
- For more information, visit: <http://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/FacilitiesNewReneworUpdate/LaboratoryQualityAssurance/Licensing/LicensingTypesRequirementsandForms>

Lead Testing Reporting Requirements

- **ALL** blood lead results must be reported to the state.
For more detailed information:
<http://www.doh.wa.gov/ForPublicHealthandHealthcareProviders/HealthcareProfessionsandFacilities/ProfessionalResources/BloodLeadTestingandReporting/BloodLeadTestReporting.aspx>

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