

Requirements for Lead Testing*

Nebraska

* This information is subject to change

Licensure

Facility must: Hold a CLIA Certificate of Waiver or higher.

1. Complete the CMS 116 application form available at <http://www.cms.hhs.gov/cmsforms/downloads/cms116.pdf>
2. Complete the disclosure of ownership form and the list of tests performed, available at <http://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/CLIA-Clinical-Labs.aspx>
3. Mail or fax completed applications to:
Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services
Division of Public Health
Licensure Unit - Facilities
PO Box 94986
Lincoln, NE 68509-4986
Fax: (402) 742-8319

For questions or more information, please call the Nebraska CLIA Program at (402) 471-0386 or dhhs.asbestoslead@nebraska.gov.

Patient Testing

Training Tools: www.LeadCare2.com/training

Facility must: Confirm capillary blood lead test results greater than or equal to 5 µg/dL with a venous sample by a reference lab.

For additional information on childhood lead testing and follow-up, refer to: www.dhhs.ne.gov/lead or <http://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Lead-Resources-for-Health-Care-Professionals.aspx>

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: www.leadCare2.com/reporting

Facility must: Report ALL blood lead test (venous and capillary) results within 7 days of detection, regardless of result.

1. Report using an electronic format approved by the Department. For more information, please refer to: http://www.sos.ne.gov/rules-and-regs/regsearch/Rules/Health_and_Human_Services_System/Title-173/Chapter-01.pdf
2. Report the following information: The date of sample collection and analysis; whether the sample is a capillary or venous blood sample; the date of birth, address, and sex of the patient; the name and address of the physician; and the race and ethnicity of the patient, if known.
3. Except for reports made through NEDSS, lead reports can be sent to:
DHHS - Office of Epidemiology
PO Box 95026, Lincoln, NE 68509-5026
Phone (402) 471-0386 | Fax (402) 471-8833

For more information on reporting, contact DHHS Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program at (402) 471-0386 or visit www.dhhs.ne.gov/lead

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 <http://www.slh.wisc.edu/proficiency/>

Still Have Questions?

- Call LeadCare Product Support at (800) 275-0102
- Contact the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program at (402) 471-0386, Toll Free (888) 242-1100, Ext. 1 (NE only), derry.stover@nebraska.gov or www.dhhs.ne.gov/lead