

Requirements for Lead Testing*

Washington

* This information is subject to change

Licensure

Facility must: Hold a Washington Medical Test Site Certificate.

1. The form can be downloaded at: [Medical Test Site Licensing Applications | Washington State Department of Health](#)
2. Complete the application and mail to:
Washington State Department of Health
Revenue Section
P.O. Box 1099
Olympia, WA 98507-1099

To determine your correct license category, please call the LQA office at (253) 395-6746 or visit [Medical Test Site Licensing Applications | Washington State Department of Health](#).

Phlebotomists: WA requires anyone who draws blood to be licensed and certified to do so (including finger-stick blood collection).

For more information, call (360) 236-4700 or visit

<http://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/FacilitiesNewReneworUpdate/LaboratoryQualityAssurance/Laws>

Patient Testing

Training Tools: www.LeadCare2.com/training

Recommended: Confirm capillary blood lead test results greater than or equal to 5 µg/dL for youths under age 15 with a venous sample by a reference lab. For more information, contact the DOH Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program at: lead@doh.wa.gov or (360) 236-4280.

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 by State: www.LeadCare2.com/reporting

Facility must: Report **ALL** blood lead test results to the Washington State Department of Health (DOH).

1. All elevated blood lead levels (5 µg/dL) must be reported to DOH within two (2) business days. All other test results must be reported monthly.
2. Results must be reported to DOH electronically.
3. Regular data reporters should contact DOH to receive reporting documents, instructions, and a secure access portal account.
Washington State Department of Health
Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program
(360) 236-4280 or Toll Free (800) 909-9898
lead@doh.wa.gov
4. Laboratories are encouraged (but not required) to use Electronic Lab Reporting (ELR): [Electronic Laboratory Reporting | Washington State Department of Health](#) or email: informatics.csc@doh.wa.gov.

For more information please visit:

[Blood Lead Reporting | Washington State Department of Health](#)

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 Washington State Department of Health Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program at (360) 236-4280 or Toll Free (800) 909-9898, or by email lead@doh.wa.gov
- www.doh.wa.gov/ehp/lead