





Lead-Free Ohio Best Practices and Strategies

Ohio State law requires all 12- and 24-month Medicaid patients or those living in high-risk zip codes to receive a capillary test to measure their blood lead levels.

Best Practices in Lead Prevention	Intervention Strategies to Accomplish Goals	Resources
<p>Provide anticipatory guidance at 6m WCC</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Educate providers on anticipatory guidance to share with families ✓ Add anticipatory guidance prompt in EMR note ✓ Provide Ohio AAP Lead Family Rack Card ✓ Provide Ohio AAP Lead Board Book 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ohio AAP Lead Board Book • Ohio AAP Family Rack Card • Anticipatory Guidance Slide Deck (linked below) 
<p>Administer ODH screening questionnaire yearly from 1-6 years of age</p> <p>*NOTE: This step may be skipped if conducting universal testing at 12 and 24 months, which is considered the GOLD STANDARD</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Print Ohio Department of Health (ODH) questionnaire for families to complete in office ✓ Integrate ODH questionnaire into EMR pre-visit surveys ✓ Establish workflow for provider review of questionnaire results before/during WCC visit 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ODH questionnaire and high-risk zip code list (linked below) 
<p>In-office capillary testing for all children at 12 or 24 months of age (GOLD STANDARD)</p> <p>OR</p> <p>In-office capillary testing for all children at 12 and 24 months with a "yes" or "do not know" response on ODH questionnaire</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Integrate testing prompt into EMR vaccine/screening alerts ✓ Add testing prompt in EMR note ✓ Add test order to WCC order sets ✓ Complete capillary test using <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Microtainer (.5 ml) - Filter paper 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ODH questionnaire and high-risk zip code list (linked above) • Ohio AAP Lead Toolkit (linked below) 
<p>Capillary test result of 3.5 µg/dL or higher requires a venous confirmation test</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Add EMR note to document medical management of elevated blood lead levels ✓ Build order set for medical management of elevated blood lead levels ✓ Schedule lab visit for confirmatory blood work ✓ Ensure patient is set to receive lab and medical appointment reminders ✓ Care coordination 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ODH Medical Management Guidelines (linked below) • Ohio AAP appointment reminder and education card 
<p>Follow-up lab work and referrals after a confirmed result</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Add EMR note to document medical management of elevated blood lead levels ✓ Build order set for medical management of elevated blood lead levels ✓ Schedule lab visit for confirmatory blood work ✓ Ensure patient is set to receive lab and medical appointment reminders ✓ Generate list of your local and state resources to share with families ✓ Care coordination ✓ Provide Ohio AAP Reminder Card 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Help Me Grow and WIC referrals (linked below) • ODH - (877) 532-3723 