

# Protect Children from Lead

Lead poisoning is serious but preventable!

*Be sure the contractor you hire for home renovations is Lead-Safe Certified*

*Lead-based paint* is the most widespread and dangerous source of lead exposure for young children. Protect your family when renovating!

*Home repairs* that create even a small amount of lead dust are enough to poison your child and put your family at risk. No safe blood lead level in children has been identified.

*Common renovation, repair, and painting* activities that disturb lead-based paint (like sanding, cutting, replacing windows and more) can create hazardous lead dust and chips, which can be harmful to adults and children. If required safety procedures are not followed, lead hazards can happen at home, and your child's day care facility.

*Lead hazards must be identified and controlled, or removed safely, especially in a child's environment.*

[www.epa.gov/lead](http://www.epa.gov/lead)

[www.cdc.gov/nceh/lead/parents.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/nceh/lead/parents.htm)

