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TO: Directors of Health
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SUBJECT: Child Day Care Facilities – Lead Hazard Identification, Abatement, and Hazard Remediation Protocol (11/1/08).

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Attached is updated protocol dated 12/1/08 regarding lead hazard identification, abatement, and remediation in child day care facilities. This protocol replaces previous directives dated 3/22/00, 11/2/01, and 5/13/02.

As you know there are two sets of Statutes and Regulations that apply to child day care facilities. One encompasses child day care centers and group day care homes while the other encompasses family day care homes.

Changes include:

- Requirement that a comprehensive lead inspection be conducted as part of the required bi-annual (2-year) facility inspection of any licensed child day care center or group day care home that is: (1) located in building(s) that was/were constructed in whole or in part prior to 1978 and (2) has not been previously inspected by a trained code enforcement official or a DPH-certified lead inspector or lead inspector risk assessor. Properly trained members of your staff may conduct these inspections, at your discretion.
- Requirement that a comprehensive lead inspection be conducted by a trained code enforcement official or a DPH-certified lead inspector or lead inspector risk assessor of any pre-1978 vintage child day care facility that has been identified as serving a child who has an elevated blood lead level (EBLL) and which has not been previously inspected. LHDs are to conduct a site visit at any such pre-1978 facility where a documented comprehensive lead inspection has been conducted in the past. The site visit is necessary to determine whether a written lead management plan has been developed and implemented and evaluate the current condition of all previously identified lead-based painted surfaces.
- Whenever testing identifies deteriorated lead-based paint in an existing or proposed family day care home that has not been previously inspected, DPH will require that a comprehensive lead inspection be conducted by a trained code enforcement official or a DPH-certified lead inspector or lead inspector risk assessor. Properly trained members of your staff may conduct these inspections, at your discretion.



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These changes will be reviewed during upcoming Lead Inspector and Lead Inspector Risk Assessor refresher training courses that are offered to Code Enforcement Officials by the Department. Additionally, the new protocol is posted at the Laws and Regulations Section of the LPPCP web page at:

<http://www.ct.gov/dph/cwp/view.asp?a=3140&q=387554>

Please contact LPPCP staff at (860) 509-7299 if you have any specific questions with regard to these changes.

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