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Spokane County Head Start/ECEAP/EHS LEAD EXPOSURE RISK

Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention

Head Start/Early Head Start mandates that all enrolled children have blood lead screening based on the EPSDT guidelines. This mandate was implemented based on DHHS's, Administration for Children, Youth and Families, January 1999 U.S. General Accounting Office Report on Lead Poisoning. The report points out these findings:

- Elevated blood lead levels remain a significant problem for children served by federal health care programs (Medicaid).
- Most children served by Medicaid are not being screened for lead.
- There are problems that hinder timely treatment and follow-up services for elevated blood lead levels.

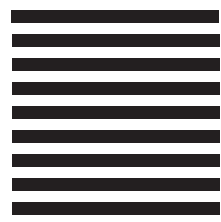
A "risk assessment" (i.e., a paper and pencil questionnaire or parent interview) does not meet this requirement. Screening blood test results are needed and/or your recommendation for follow-up.

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