

# Prevent Childhood Lead Poisoning



## Exposure to lead can seriously harm a child's health



**Damage to the brain and nervous system**



**Slowed growth and development**



**Learning and behavior problems**



**Hearing and speech problems**

### **This can cause:**

- Lower IQ
- Decreased ability to pay attention
- Underperformance in school

### **Take these steps to make your home lead-safe:**

- Talk with your child's healthcare provider about a simple blood lead test.
- Call Franklin County Public Health at (614) 525-3017 to test your home for lead if you live in a home built before 1978.
- Renovate safely. Common renovation activities can create hazardous lead dust. Use contractors certified by the EPA.
- Keep recalled toys away from children. Current recalls can be found at [www.cpsc.gov](http://www.cpsc.gov).

