

National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week

Oct 22, 2017- Oct 28, 2017

Lead is a toxic metal that was an ingredient in many household products, including lead-based paints manufactured before 1978. The main source of lead exposure among U.S. children is lead-based paint and lead-contaminated dust and soil found in and around old, deteriorating homes and buildings.

The National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week theme, "**Lead-Free Kids for a Healthy Future**," focuses on the importance of the many ways parents can reduce a child's exposure to lead and prevent its serious health effects.

- Get you child tested!! Children under 6 are most at risk for lead poisoning. **NYS Department of Health Public Health Law states that ALL children should be tested at ages 1 and 2.**
- Protect your family from lead exposure: Was your home built before 1978? Find out how to get your home tested for lead.
- Remodeling your home? Renovate right with lead-safe work practices.
- ***Join us at the County Executive's Healthcare Symposium Addressing the Impact of Lead Poisoning in Orange County on 10/27/17 from 9 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. at OCCC Rowley Center, 115 South Street, Middletown, NY. For more information call 845-360-6680.***

Call the Orange County Department of Health to see if you qualify for a lead inspection and to learn more about our Lead Safe Work Practices training at (845) 360-6680.

