

**Michigan Department of Community Health
Lead Hazard Remediation Program
Legislative Report**

**Reporting Period: September 30, 2001 to March 31, 2002
Report Addressing: Section 903 of PA 296**

I. Lead Hazard Remediation Program Fiscal Year 2002 Achievements

The following tables summarize the Lead Hazard Remediation Program's activities. It should be noted that to date the various funding sources have provided lead abatement for over 725 units.

Activity	This Period	To Date
Housing units inspected for lead	171	1,202*
HUD grant housing units abated or in progress	97	545*
CMI applications received	65	311*
CMI-funded housing units abated or in progress	76	182*
Children residing in lead-safe homes	318	873*
Public presentations	28	28
Enforcement of Lead Abatement Act of 1998 — Activities	50	50

* Since lead hazard control activities began

Accredited Lead Training Course Programs	This Period	To Date
Lead Inspector Training Programs	0	5
Risk Assessor Training Programs	0	5
Abatement Supervisor Training Programs	0	14
Abatement Worker Training Programs	0	10
Certified Lead Professionals		
Lead Inspector	54	304
Risk Assessor	62	278
Abatement Supervisor	221	728
Abatement Worker	12	127
Abatement Contractor Companies	42	188

In addition to the above, the following activities also occurred in fiscal year 2002:

- C The Detroit Lead Partnership is presenting a play entitled, *Jimmy's Getting Better*. The story line is about a little boy who is poisoned by lead. The play highlights the hidden individual and societal costs that are borne by not preventing lead poisoning in children. The Partnership is holding this event to focus attention on Detroit's lead poisoning crisis. The 45-minute play will be followed by a Question and Answer/Dialog Session and a brief presentation outlining suggested solutions. *Jimmy's Getting Better* will be shown on Wednesday, April 17th at the Coleman A. Young Municipal Center, 13th floor, City Council Auditorium from Noon until 2:00 p.m. All are invited. Lunch will also be served. Please call 313.961.4780 to reserve seating.
- C The Lead Hazard Remediation Program is developing a collaboration with two community-based organizations in Grand Rapids, Lighthouse Communities and Get The Lead Out, to expend Clean Michigan Initiative funds on making lead-safe housing units within the city. Thirty-two percent of Kent County's housing stock was built before 1950, and one in every 20 children tested in the county has lead poisoning.
- C The Lead Hazard Remediation Program has made proposed amendments to the Lead Abatement Act and rules in order to accommodate the needs of the Michigan State Housing Development Authority and Housing and Urban Development's Part 35 regulations by creating a Clearance Sampling Technician discipline. Additional amendments include revisions of the lead abatement definition and lead hazard determination levels in order to maintain EPA authorization of Michigan's certification program. Lastly, the amendments include a clause to keep child information confidential, and not subject to the Freedom of Information Act. The amendments are in the Legislative Service Bureau for the drafting of language.
- C Eighty nine lead professionals were re-certified, which entails a refresher course and a State-sponsored examination. Lead training and recertification is required every three years according to Michigan law.
- C In October, LHRP co-sponsored an annual workshop for lead abatement contractors. The workshop provided a forum for contractors to learn about the latest regulations, interpretations and policy/procedure changes. It also provided clarification and insight for contractors performing lead hazard control activities under the Housing and Urban Development's Part 35 regulations.
- C In October, LHRP printed its first brochure in Spanish entitled, *Esta Su Hijo a Salvo del Envenenamiento por Plomo?: Sepa Como Proteger a Su Familia* (Is Your Child Safe from Lead Poisoning?: Learn How to Protect Your Family). Brochures can be obtained by calling the Program toll-free at 1.866.691.LEAD.

- C LHRP sponsored a two-day workshop in October for its subgrantee local health departments performing lead hazard control activities throughout the State. The workshop theme was *Working Effectively, Working Efficiently* with streamlining program functions as the primary purpose of the meeting. The subgrantee counties include Berrien, Calhoun, Genesee, Ingham, Muskegon, Oakland, Saginaw and St. Clair.
- C During this reporting period, the Lead Hazard Remediation Program was transferred to the Bureau of Epidemiology, Division of Environmental and Occupational Epidemiology during a minor departmental reorganization.

II. Lead Hazard Remediation Program Elements

The Lead Hazard Remediation Program provides four primary functions that address the reduction of lead-based paint poisoning throughout the State of Michigan. They include the 1) administration of Housing and Urban Development Lead Hazard Control funds to abate lead-based paint hazards in 8 high risk counties; Clean Michigan Initiative bond funds are currently being used by the program to make an estimated 300 homes throughout the State lead-safe for young children over the next year; 2) public and professional education efforts; 3) the certification of lead inspectors, risk assessors, abatement workers, supervisors, abatement contractors and the accreditation of training providers; and 4) the enforcement of lead professional activities per the Lead Abatement Act of 1998.

III. Fiscal Year 2002 Year-To-Date Expenditures

C	Administrative:	
	Certification and Enforcement	\$186,876
	Abatement	\$284,982
•	Laboratory Services	\$42,256
•	Contracts:	\$641,041
	State & Local Site Management	
	Abatement Contractors	
•	Total	\$1,155,155

IV. Fiscal Year 2002 Funding Allocations Available

C	Clean Michigan Initiative	\$2,500,927
C	HUD	\$1,878,781
•	EPA	\$443,907
C	Program Revenue	\$100,000
	TOTAL	\$4,923,615

Program fee and penalty revenue carried over from last fiscal year amount to \$289,067. During this reporting period, \$140,550 was received in certification and accreditation fee revenue, and \$1,012 was collected as a result of lead law violations. These funds are used to support enforcement and compliance functions within the Lead Hazard Remediation Program.

MEMORANDUM

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FROM: David Johnson, MD, MPH, Deputy Director for Public Health
and Chief Medical Executive

SUBJECT: Lead Hazard Remediation Program - Section 903 of PA 296

DATE: April XX, 2002

Attached is the legislative report for the Lead Hazard Remediation Program. If you have any questions, please contact David Wade at 335-8834.

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