

# get ahead of Lead



[www.achd.net/lead](http://www.achd.net/lead)

## Resources

Lead is a toxin commonly found in our daily lives. Allegheny County Health Dept. has put together this resource list to help you **Get Ahead of Lead.**

### ACHD Phone Education

#### About

- Learn how to recognize and avoid the dangers of lead at home.
- You may be referred to the Safe and Healthy Homes Program.

#### Requirements

- Any parent can call.
- Live in Allegheny County.

Call **412-350-4046**



### Blood Lead Level Testing

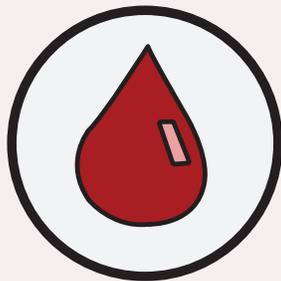
#### About

- Children should be tested for lead by their doctor.
- **Under insured or uninsured** children in Allegheny County can get tested for free at one of ACHD's clinics (see below).

Call **412-578-8062**

#### Visit

**Immunization Clinic**  
(Downtown)  
every Tuesday 9am-noon;  
every Thursday noon-4pm



### Early Intervention

#### About

- Home and community services to support learning.

#### Requirements

- Children ages 0-3 with confirmed blood lead levels 5 µg/dL and above.

Call Alliance for Infants & Toddlers **412-885-6000**

- Children up to 5 years old may be eligible for resources based on need.

Call Pennsylvania Department of Human Services

**1-800-692-7288.**

### ACHD Safe and Healthy Homes

#### About

- Free home visit to look for health and safety hazards.
- Takes 2-3 hours.

#### Requirements

Family Size	Income up to
1	\$37,470
2	\$50,730
3	\$63,990
4	\$77,250
5	\$90,510
6	\$103,770

*\* Income requirements are updated every year in March*

- Pregnant woman or person under 22 is often in home.
- Available to renters and homeowners in Allegheny, Beaver, Washington, and Westmoreland Counties.

Call **412-350-4048**

or Visit

[www.achd.net/safehomes](http://www.achd.net/safehomes)

### ACHD Home Lead Investigations

#### About

- Home lead risk assessment (2-4 hours, depends on size of home). Test paint, take dust, water, and soil samples.
- Education on lead exposure and prevention.

#### Requirements

- Children under 6 with confirmed blood lead levels 5µg/dl and above.
- Live in Allegheny County.

Call **412-350-4046**



### ACED Lead Safe Homes

#### About

- FREE repairs to make homes safe from lead-based paint.

#### Requirements

Family Size	Pre-Tax Income
1	\$42,600
2	\$48,650
3	\$54,750
4	\$60,800
5	\$65,700
6	\$70,550

*\* Income requirements are updated every year in May*

- Home is in Allegheny County; built before 1978.
- Open to all tenant housing. Also open to owner-occupied housing where a pregnant woman or child under 6 lives or regularly visits.

Call **412-227-5700** or Visit

[www.alleghenycounty.us/leadsafeprogram](http://www.alleghenycounty.us/leadsafeprogram)

Information last updated: **January 31, 2020**

## Soil Testing

### About

Soil samples from your yard and garden can be tested for lead.

### Learn More

- Allegheny County Conservation District can help test your soil.

### Contact

Jonathan Burgess at **412-291-8017** or

### Email

[jburgess@accdpa.org](mailto:jburgess@accdpa.org)

- Penn State Extension in Pittsburgh offers a Soil Lead Analysis Monday - Friday, 8:30am - 4:30pm.

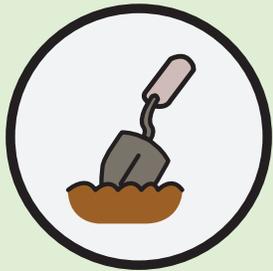
Call **412-263-1000**

### Visit

The Penn State Center Energy Innovation Center Suite A  
1435 Bedford Avenue  
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

### Email

[alleghenyext@psu.edu](mailto:alleghenyext@psu.edu)



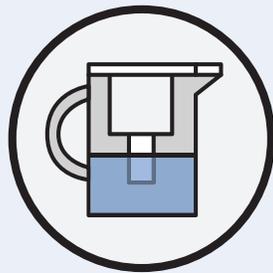
## Water Filters

### About

NSF certified water pitchers and filters remove lead.

### To purchase a filter

- Check your local hardware store or big box retailer.
- Filter pitchers cost around \$25.
- Make sure it is NSF-certified to remove lead.
- Filter cartridges need to be replaced according to manufacturer recommendation.



## Water Testing

### About

Some water authorities offer lead testing for customers. Check your local authority for more information.

- PWSA drinking water customers can get their water tested for free! Visit [lead.pgh2o.com/resources/request-a-lead-test-kit/](http://lead.pgh2o.com/resources/request-a-lead-test-kit/) or Call **412-255-2423** between 8am and 6pm, Monday - Friday.
- Wilkinsburg-Penn Joint Water Authority customers: Visit [wpjwa.com/how-to-have-your-water-sampled-for-lead/](http://wpjwa.com/how-to-have-your-water-sampled-for-lead/) or Call **412-243-6200**.
- Pennsylvania-American Water customers: Visit [amwater.com/paaw/water-quality/lead-and-drinking-water](http://amwater.com/paaw/water-quality/lead-and-drinking-water) or Call **1-800-565-7292**.
- West View Water Authority customers: Visit [westviewwater.org/lead-in-water/](http://westviewwater.org/lead-in-water/) or Call **412-931-3292 ext. 3220**.
- Hampton Shaler Water Authority customers: Call **412-486-4867** or Email [info@hswa-pa.org](mailto:info@hswa-pa.org).
- Fox Chapel Authority customers: Call **412-963-0212** or Email [info@foxchapelwater.com](mailto:info@foxchapelwater.com).
- Other County residents: Call your water provider to ask about testing for lead.



## Looking for lead- safe renovations?

### About

To avoid creating lead hazards, property owners who want to renovate/remodel pre-1978

housing should use a lead safe certified firm.

To find a lead safe certified firm,

### Visit

<https://www.epa.gov/lead> and click:

**“Consumers: Find a Lead- Safe Certified firm”**

## Lead service line replacement with PWSA

### About

Owners of properties with a lead public service line (from the water main to the curb) can coordinate replacement with PWSA. If your private line (from curb to home) is also lead, you may be eligible to have your line replaced at no cost. Low-interest loans are also available.

### Requirements

- PWSA drinking water customer.
- Homeowner.
- At least one portion of service line is lead (private and/or public).

Contact the Lead Help Desk at **412-255-8987** or

### Email

[leadhelp@pgh2o.com](mailto:leadhelp@pgh2o.com)

### Visit

<http://www.pgh2o.com/replacing-your-lead-serviceline>