WINNEBAGO COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT
LEAD-SAFE HOMES PROGRAM

The Lead-Safe Homes Program helps coordinate and pay for the safe removal of lead hazards from homes and rental properties in Winnebago County.

Why is lead bad? Exposure to lead damages the brain, body and nervous system. Even at low levels, it affects learning capacity, ability to pay attention and academic achievement. Lead is toxic to everyone, but children under age 6 are at greatest risk for harm. Lead is most commonly found in lead-based paint, lead dust and contaminated soil in homes built before 1978. Exposure in kids typically happens when they put things in their mouths that are contaminated with lead dust, eat paint chips or chew on windowsills and door frames.

Lead poisoning is preventable. The Winnebago County Health Department's Lead-Safe Homes Program makes homes safe for kids and pregnant women by safely removing lead hazards to ensure that kids do not experience long-term effects of lead exposure.

WHY SHOULD I APPLY FOR THE LEAD-SAFE HOMES PROGRAM?

Homeowners: The program covers up to 100% of the costs to make your home lead-safe.

Landlords: The program covers 85-100% of the costs to make your rental properties lead-safe.

Renters: There is no cost to you. Encourage your landlord to apply today!

All costs are subject to approval.

WHAT TYPES OF LEAD HAZARD REPAIRS ARE COVERED?

- Flooring
- Fences
- Porches
- Soil
- Paint
- Doors & windows
- Siding
- Garages & sheds
- Gutters & exteriors

WHO QUALIFIES FOR THE PROGRAM?

Apply to the program if:
- You own or rent your home and it was built before 1978, and
- Your home has children or a pregnant woman living or regularly visiting who are on, or eligible for, Medicaid or BadgerCare Plus, and
- Your property is insured and taxes are up to date.

HOW DO I APPLY?

- Call: 920-232-3000
- Visit: www.wchd.pub/lead
- Email: health@winnebagocountywi.gov
- Point your phone's camera at the QR code
- Stop by the Winnebago County Health Department

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