

LEAD ABSORPTION

Basis of Diagnosis	
LABORATORY CRITERIA	
Whole blood lead concentration	Specify the results of blood lead testing. Note that the concentration of whole blood lead is required not the red cell level. Give the result in either $\mu\text{mol/l}$ or $\mu\text{g/dl}$.
Type of specimen	Indicate whether the blood specimen was capillary or venous.
Date specimen collected	Specify the date the specimen was collected.
Reason for specimen	Indicate the reason the specimen was collected.
STATUS	<p>Under investigation - A case which has been notified but information is not yet available to classify it as confirmed.</p> <p>Probable - Nil</p> <p>Confirmed - Blood lead level $\geq 0.48 \mu\text{mol/l}$ (or $\geq 10 \mu\text{g/dl}$)</p> <p>Not a case - A case that has been investigated and subsequently has been shown not to meet the case definition.</p>
ADDITIONAL LABORATORY DETAILS	
Other laboratory details (eg, environmental sampling)	Specify details of any other laboratory testing. Use this section to summarise the results of any environmental sampling.
Risk Factors	
Lives in or regularly visits a building built pre-1970s	<p>Indicate whether the case lives in or regularly visits a building built before 1970 e.g. school, pre-school, grandparent's home, caregiver's home etc. If not known or unavailable then tick the "Unknown" box.</p> <p>If yes, specify type of building and indicate whether:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • it has paint chalking/flaking, • old paint is being or has recently been stripped • it is undergoing or has recently undergone alterations or refurbishment
Case plays in soil containing paint debris	Indicate whether the case plays in soil containing paint debris. If not known or unavailable then tick the "Unknown" box.

Case ingests substances such as soil, dirt etc.	Indicate whether the case ingests substances such as soil, dirt etc. If not known or unavailable then tick the "Unknown" box.
Case has an occupation which involves exposure to lead	Indicate whether the case has an occupation which involves exposure to lead. If "Yes", ensure that the Occupation question in the Case Demography section has been filled in. If not known or unavailable then tick the "Unknown" box.
Close contact of case has an occupation which involves exposure to lead	Indicate whether a close contact of the case (e.g. caregiver, spouse) has an occupation which involves exposure to lead. If "Yes", specify the occupation and the relationship of the contact to the case. If not known or unavailable then tick the "Unknown" box.
Case or close contact of case has a hobby which involves exposure to lead	Indicate whether the case or close contact of the case has a hobby which involves exposure to lead. If "Yes", specify the hobby and the relationship of the contact to the case. If not known or unavailable then tick the "Unknown" box. Possible hobbies include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • making stained glass or lead lighting • making lead sinkers for fishing • making lead shot/ammunition • glazing pottery or ceramic work • collection/making lead models, lead soldiers or any other items containing lead • furniture restoration.
Case lives near an industry that is likely to release lead	Indicate whether the case lives near to an industry that is likely to release lead e.g. battery plant, lead smelter, manufacturing plant where lead may be used. If "Yes", please provide details. If not known or unavailable then tick the "Unknown" box.
Other risk factors	Specify any other risk factors for lead absorption if they were present.
Probable source of exposure	Specify the probable source of exposure to lead.

MANAGEMENT	
CASE MANAGEMENT	
Was the source identified?	<p>Indicate whether the source of lead exposure was identified. If not known or unavailable then tick the "Unknown" box.</p> <p>If yes, specify the measures that were taken to remove either the source from the case or the case from the source.</p>
Was case referred to a specialist?	<p>Indicate whether the case was referred to a specialist for treatment. If not known or unavailable then tick the "Unknown" box.</p>