



Lead Remediation Resources for Child Care Providers

Background Information:

In November 2021, the city of Pittsburgh adopted a lead safety ordinance that aims to prevent potential lead exposure in young children. This ordinance impacts “child occupied facilities” including active child care providers and early learning programs that operate in buildings (residential or commercial) located within the City of Pittsburgh that were constructed prior to 1978.

Child care facilities within the City of Pittsburgh were required to register their program by December 31, 2022 at [OneStopPGH](#). To learn more about the registration process, please review the following training: [Training Recording: City of Pittsburgh Lead Safe Child Care Registry](#). After completing the registration process, providers must schedule a lead dust wipe inspection. With additional questions, contact PLIOperationsSupervisors@pittsburghpa.gov.

Prior to your program’s scheduled lead dust wipe inspection, it is recommended to follow health and safety precautions such as frequently and thoroughly cleaning all surfaces (including window sills and floors) and addressing all chipping/peeling paint.

Recognizing the significant health and developmental concerns linked to lead exposure in young children and the potential financial cost for providers, Trying Together compiled a list of lead remediation resources for child care programs.

Funding Resources for Lead Remediation:

- **1,000 Hours a Year Initiative: Addressing Lead and Radon in Learning Environments**
 - Child care providers from Southwestern PA can apply for mini-grants (ranging from \$500 - \$5,000). Grant awards will be prioritized for schools and child care programs with demonstrated need, including those that serve children from environmental justice communities in Allegheny County, areas most at risk for lead and radon exposure through aging infrastructure and geographic location. All licensed childcare providers in the 10-county southwest PA region are welcome to apply.
 - Visit <https://www.1000hoursayear.org> to learn more about the initiative.
 - Review [Frequently Asked Questions](#)

- Application form: <https://form.jotform.com/193526176356162>
- **Allegheny County Lead Safe Homes Program**
 - [Allegheny Lead Safe Homes Program](#) may support lead remediation home repairs for Allegheny County residents up to \$12,000 (income eligibility requirements must be met).
 - For home-based providers to be eligible, a parent of a child five years old or younger must confirm that their child spends at least 60 hours of a given year in the home. The parent would also have to sign off on any medical releases and the child care provider would have to meet income qualifications. For more information, contact ACTION-Housing at 412-227-5700, send an email to alleghenylead@actionhousing.com, or complete the following [online form](#) to start the application process.

Additional Lead Remediation Resources:

- [Get the Lead Out, Pittsburgh](#)
 - Learn more about the [Pittsburgh Lead Safety Law](#)
- Community Justice Project: Non-profit Legal Assistance in PA
 - [Lead Poisoning Risk Checklist](#)
- [Certified Lead Abatement Companies](#)
- Environmental Protection Agency
 - [Search tool](#) for inspections, risk assessments, and abatement firms
 - [Locate Certified Renovation Firms](#)

Additional Lead Health and Safety Resources:

- [Blood Lead Level Testing](#) in Allegheny County
- [Fast Facts about Lead Poisoning](#)
- [CDC Lead Poisoning Prevention](#)
- [American Academy of Pediatrics Lead Exposure](#)