

leadcare II™

Blood lead testing in South Carolina

This information is subject to change

Who needs to be tested?

Universal

- Federal rules require blood lead testing of all Medicaid children at ages 1 and 2 years old and 3 to 6 year olds if they have not been previously tested.
- Lead test required for all Head Start children prior to enrollment.
- Discuss lead risk exposure as part of the first prenatal visit. Per CDC & ACOG recommendations, test when a single risk factor is identified.
 - *For more information:* [CDC's Guidelines for the Identification and Management of Lead Exposure in Pregnant And Lactating Women](#)

Targeted

- All other children should be screened with the Lead Risk Assessment Questionnaire.
- Refugee children 6 months to 16 years of age should be tested upon arrival and within 6 months of finding stable housing.
- Internationally adopted children should be tested upon arrival, and again at 1 & 2 years of age.
- *For more detailed information:* <https://scdhec.gov/environment/your-home/lead>

What is the reimbursement?*

- CPT Code 36416, Collection of a capillary blood specimen, ~\$3.00
- CPT Code 83655, Blood Lead
- Private Insurance: ~ \$13.00
- Medicaid: ~ \$13.00

** Actual reimbursement rates vary by plan and should be verified.*

What do you need to get started?

State Licensure

- CLIA Certificate of Waiver or higher

Lead Testing Reporting Requirements

- **ALL** blood lead results must be reported to the state.
For more detailed information, refer to:
<https://scdhec.gov/sites/default/files/media/document/10422-DHU-10-24-2018-LEAD.pdf>

Need Help?

- Call LeadCare Product Support at (800) 275-0102
- Visit our website at www.MagellanDx.com
- For more information visit <https://www.scdhec.gov/environment/your-home/lead/childhood-lead-data-information>
- Contact the DHEC Division of Children's Health Lead Line at (866) 466-5323 or (866) 4NO-LEAD