



HAPPY, HEALTHY, LEAD-FREE ME!

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Our family is getting bigger,
a baby on the way.
We need more space
to grow and to play.



Parents, did you know:

Lead is a poison that harms nearly every part of a child's body, especially the brain.

Simple steps can help keep your child lead-safe.





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Looking for a bigger place,
learning as we go.
If there's lead paint,
we need to know.



Parents, did you know:

Before you buy or rent a home built before 1978, you should, by law, receive the *Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home* booklet. Homes built before 1978 may contain lead-based paint and lead dust.

Before making rooms warm and bright, we check for lead to renovate right.



Parents, did you know:

Before you decide to buy or to renovate a home, a licensed lead inspector can test for lead-based paint.

A home inspection does not include a test for lead-based paint.



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Using a test kit,
the swab tip turns red.
Now we know
where there is lead.



Parents, did you know:

The amount of lead dust that can poison a child is so tiny, you can't see it on hands, toys, floors, or other surfaces.

You can buy EPA-recognized lead test kits at a hardware store.

Packing for our trip.
It's going to be fun!
Staying away from home
until the work is done.



Parents, did you know:

Children and pregnant women should leave until lead-safe work is complete and the area has been thoroughly cleaned.

Work that disturbs lead-based paint creates dangerous lead dust.



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Working lead-safe is important to do, to protect our family and the workers, too.



Parents, did you know:

Renovators certified in lead-safe work practices are also trained to check for lead and to give out the *Renovate Right* booklet.

Lead-safe renovation training is available for homeowners.

Blowing out the candle,
our family gathers near.
Singing “Happy Birthday”
to celebrate the year.



Parents, did you know:

Children who look happy and healthy can have dangerous levels of lead in their bodies.

Children's lead levels should be tested at age 1 and **again** at age 2.



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When visiting the doctor at ages one and two, a lead level test is what we will do.



Parents, did you know:
Your child's lead level can be tested in the doctor's office with a simple finger prick.
Test results are available before you leave the office.

Checking baby
from head to toe,
a quick lead level test
before we go.



Parents, did you know:

Washing your child's hands with soap and water is important **before** eating, sleeping, and lead level testing to remove lead particles.

Alcohol swabs and hand sanitizers **do not** remove lead.



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Laughing together
while playing with toys,
our home is filled
with joyful noise.



Parents, did you know:

There are many places in your home and environment where lead may be found, including paint, dust, soil, toys, and water.

Lead can be carried home from some types of jobs and hobbies.

Taking simple steps
easy as can be,
keeps us happy,
healthy, and lead-free!



Parents, did you know:

There is no safe level of lead exposure for children; even low levels are bad for their health, brain development, and growth.

Lead poisoning is 100% preventable.



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