

Did You Know?

Lead poisoning is **still** a serious health problem for infants, young children and pregnant women.



The most common source of lead is paint used in homes that were built before 1978.



Toddlers who swallow lead paint chips or dust can become lead poisoned, resulting in seizures, brain injury and even death.



Lead in the mother's body can pass to her unborn child.



Even low levels of lead poisoning can cause reduced IQ and learning disabilities.

LEAD POISONING

How Can YOU Prevent Lead Poisoning?

If your house was built before 1978, have it professionally tested for lead content.



Have all lead paint removed by a certified lead paint abatement contractor. Relocate pregnant women and children during renovations involving lead paint.



Run unfiltered tap water for 30 seconds before drinking or cooking.



Read labels to ensure toys and jewelry are lead-free – if in doubt, choose products made in the USA.



Wash hands thoroughly and often.