Mission
To eliminate childhood lead poisoning by preventing environmental exposures to lead and identifying and caring for lead-burdened children.

What We Do

Lead Poisoning Prevention
Raise awareness of lead poisoning, prevention, and testing among the public, health care providers, lead professionals, and other stakeholders through outreach and education.

- Approximately 302,640 families and residents reached by more than 7,710 health fairs, media events, and collaborations with local businesses and organizations.\(^1,2\)
- Health care providers reached through more than 1,820 targeted outreach activities.\(^1,2\)
- Over 20 lead education materials in up to 20 languages on the State website.

Lead Hazard Reduction
Certify workers to identify and safely abate lead in buildings.

- 9,108 certified Lead-Related Construction professionals in California.\(^1\)
- 24,204 lead hazard evaluations for lead-based paint and contaminated dust and soil.\(^1\)
- 2,478 abatements of lead hazards and lead-based paint.\(^1\)

Case Management
Conduct home visits to children with elevated blood lead levels (EBLLs) meeting the state case definition to provide ongoing case management services, home inspection, and remediation for lead hazards (i.e., paint, dust, soil, water, and personal items).

Provide monitoring, outreach and education, and encourage appropriate venous retesting to children with EBLLs below full state case-making criteria.

- 426 home visits conducted for full state cases.\(^1,2\)
- Case management services provided to 7,953 children with EBLLs below full state case-making criteria.\(^1,2\)

Blood Lead Surveillance & Data Management
Perform surveillance and manage blood lead data.

- 514,786 children under the age of 21 years old were tested for lead in California.\(^1,3\)

How We Do It
The State provides lead poisoning prevention and case management services to 11 local health jurisdictions and funds 50 local health departments to provide these services.

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\(^1\) Calendar year 2019
\(^2\) As reported by funded local health department programs
\(^3\) Data from RASSCLE surveillance database including both unprocessed and processed blood lead levels; analysis completed on 10/5/2020. Each child is counted only once during a year. For blood lead tests without a unique patient identifier, first name, last name, date of birth, and ZIP code were used to deduplicate children.