



Connecticut Department Of Public Health

Lead Working Group - Public Act 22-49 Initial Meeting

Convened by Dr. Manisha Juthani, Commissioner

August 4, 2022 | 9:30 AM – 11:00 AM

Welcome & Agenda

9:30 - 9:35 | Welcome / Overview – Meeting Facilitator

- Lori Mathieu, DPH Branch Chief, Environmental Health & Drinking Water Branch

9:35 – 10:15 | Work Group Members Self – Introductions & Role in Lead Poisoning Prevention

- Facilitated by Lori Mathieu & Dan Aubin

10:15 – 10:30 | Lead Work Group P.A. 22-49 & Report

- Presented by Commissioner Juthani

10:30 – 10:45 | Public Comment – 3 min each person, total time 15 minutes

- Facilitated by Lori Mathieu & Dan Aubin

10:45 – 10:55 | Next Steps – Meeting schedule/arrangements, answer questions, other business

- Facilitated by Lori Mathieu

10:55 - 11:00 | Commissioners Closing Comments

- Dr. Manisha Juthani, DPH Commissioner





- Self Introductions:
 - Commissioner Juthani and Deputy Commissioner Aaron
 - DPH Staff
 - Appointee Introductions
- Role in Lead Poisoning Prevention
- Roughly 2 minutes each
- *Wish to end by 10:30 am*

- Governor Lamont's Lead Poisoning Prevention Initiative
- Governor Lamont's Lead Poisoning Prevention Public Act 22-49
 - Lowering Blood Lead Levels, Sections 1 to 4
 - Lead Working Group, Section 5
- Lead Working Group convened by Commissioner Juthani
 - Why is the Group together?
 - Who is part of the Group?
 - What is required?

- “Lead poisoning has catastrophic impacts on the health and development of children, including irreversible learning and developmental disabilities, and in particular it most frequently impacts those who live in disadvantaged communities. By strengthening these laws, we are taking an evidence-based, cost-effective approach to reducing these negative impacts. I look forward to signing this into law.” - Governor Lamont spoke about **House Bill 5045: An Act Reducing Lead Poisoning** which he later signed into law as **Public Act 22-49**. – *Office of Governor Ned Lamont (5/3/2022 press release)*

Lead Poisoning Prevention & Treatment

Funding Support & Public Act 22-49 - Sections 1 to 4 , effective 1/1/23

Lead Poisoning Prevention PA 22-49

	Current	2023	2024	2025 and beyond
Parental Notice	10 micrograms/dL	3.5 micrograms/dL	3.5 micrograms/dL	3.5 micrograms/dL
Onsite Inspection	15 micrograms/dL	10 micrograms/dL	5 micrograms/dL	5 micrograms/dL
EPI Investigation	20 micrograms/dL	15 micrograms/dL	10 micrograms/dL	5 micrograms/dL

Working Group to be convened by Commissioner of Public Health to recommend any necessary legislative changes concerning (section 5):

- lead screening for pregnant persons or persons who are planning pregnancy,
- lead in schools and child-care centers,
- reporting the results of lead tests or lead screening assessments to schools and child-care centers in health assessments for new students,
- reporting additional data from blood lead test laboratories and providers to the Department of Public Health, and
- any other matters regarding lead poisoning prevention and treatment.

Lead Work Group Report

- **Work Group Report Due By December 1, 2022** – Commissioner of Public Health shall report to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public health, education and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies regarding the recommendations of the working group. Working group shall terminate upon the submission of the report
- **Report** – written by DPH staff
- **Work Group to:**
 - Meet and provide input
 - Meet 4 to 6 times, August to October
 - Review Draft Report - to be shared by mid/end of October
 - Provide input on draft report October/November
 - Final Report December

Public Comment



- 15 minutes set aside to accept and listen to Public Comment
 - Public can ‘raise their hand’ on Go-to-Webinar to acknowledge your comment.
 - Professional language is required.
 - Mic’s can be disabled; harmful language may result in removal.
- 3 minutes per person
- Written comments are accepted – send to DPH Lead working group email in-box: DPHLeadWorkingGroup@ct.gov

Next Steps

- Discuss with Work Group - upcoming meeting schedule
- Review & Receive input from Working Group on:
 - meeting arrangements and dates/times
 - setting, hybrid/in-person/location
- Q and A with Work Group
- Other business/new business from work group members





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- By DPH Commissioner, Dr. Manisha Juthani