Childhood Lead Poisoning Media Campaign

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Prevention is the key

For every \$1 spent on prevention, at least \$17 is saved by

- ▶ Reducing medical costs
- Increasing earning potential
- Reducing special education
- ► Reducing attention-hyperactivity disorder
- Reducing costs of crime

Source: Elsie Gould. Environmental Health Perspectives. 117(7) July 2009.

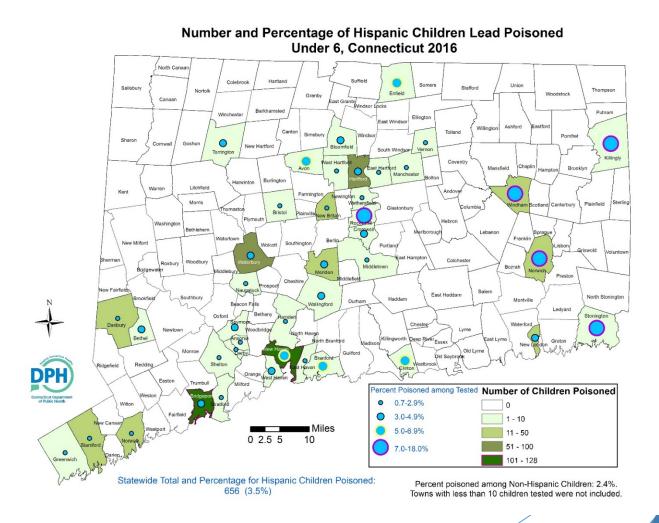
Bilingual Media Campaign

- ► The goal:
 - Increase knowledge of lead paint and dust hazards in the home
 - ► Teach how to clean lead dust in appropriate manners

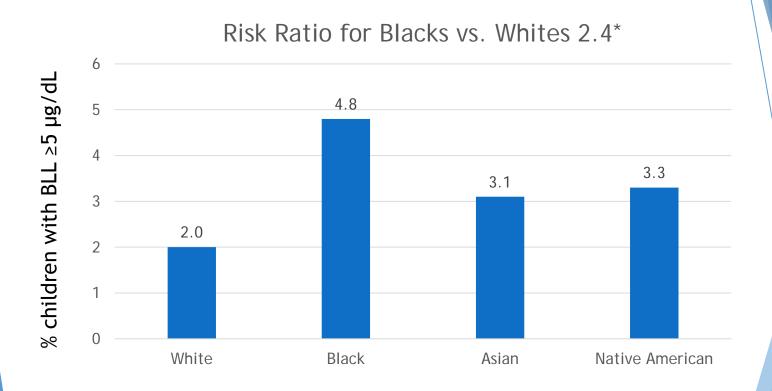
- ► When:
 - ▶ July-September, 2018

Bilingual Media Campaign

Where: Hartford, New Britain, Waterbury, Meriden, New Haven, Bridgeport



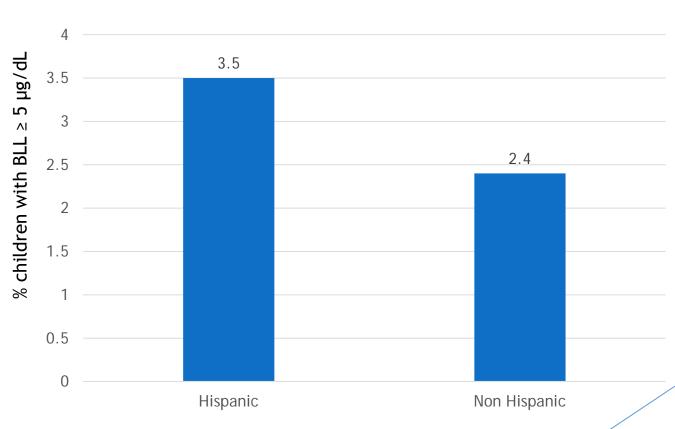
Percent of children under 6 with a BLL ≥ 5 μg/dL by race



^{*}P-value <0.001 (95% confidence Interval: 2.1-2.7)

Percentage of children under 6 with a BLL \geq 5 µg/dL by ethnicity





*P-value <0.001. Risk ratio 1.5 (95% confidence Interval: 1.3-1.6)

Social Media



TV and Pandora





More Prevention Activities

- Raise awareness via
 - ▶ Governor's Press Release
 - ▶ Local Access TV stations
 - Provided Videos
 - Hispanic Council
 - Presentation
 - Community Health Centers
 - Provided educational materials
 - New Opportunities Meeting
 - ► Explore collaboration
 - WIC Partnership
 - ► Educational Materials and Presentation



Potential allies for future outreach

- Community Health Workers
 - Members of the community
 - Know available services
 - Trusted
 - ▶ Share same culture
 - Hold hands
 - ► Help with appointments
 - ► Some states provide Medicaid reimbursement

Going forward...

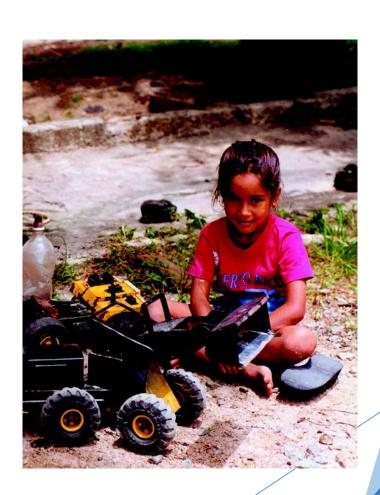
Work with partners to improve our outreach to CT populations

► Work to identify effective marketing to Black and Hispanic populations

Identify campaigns that most effectively move people to action

Prevention Activities

Other ideas?



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