

NATIONAL HEALTH AND NUTRITION EXAMINATION SURVEY (NHANES)
INFORMED CONSENT FOR LEAD DUST STUDY

Print name of respondent _____
First Middle Last

Purpose: The purpose of collecting a dust sample is to find out if there is lead dust in your home. Lead in dust most often comes from peeling or chipping lead-based paint. It can cause health problems especially to young children. Lead-based paint in good condition and left alone usually is not a concern.

Procedure: The interviewer will collect dust samples from the floor and window sill of one room in your house. The procedure will take about 15 minutes. You may agree to the dust collection or not. That is your choice. No penalties or loss of benefits will come from refusing.

Benefits: If one or more of the dust samples are above thresholds published in Federal guidelines, you will receive a report on the findings of the lead dust collection, along with an informational pamphlet about lead in homes. The report and pamphlet will provide information that will help you deal with any lead hazards found in your home.

Risks or discomforts: No risks or discomforts are associated with the dust collection procedure. **If you get the report on lead hazards in your home, Federal law requires you to disclose this information to buyers or renters at the time of purchase or rental, unless your home fits an exemption included in the law.** The exemptions include 1) houses built after 1977; 2) dwellings without bedrooms, such as lofts, efficiencies and studios; 3) short-term leases of 100 days or less, such as vacation homes; 4) housing that has been inspected by a certified inspector and found free of lead-based paint; and 5) housing for the elderly and the disabled, with no children residents. The interviewer will give you a pamphlet describing the disclosure requirements.

Participant Protection: We will use information collected in the survey only for research and statistical reports. NCHS will keep strictly private all health data and samples that we collect in NHANES. Our staff is not allowed to discuss that you are part of this survey under penalty of Federal law: Section 308(d) of the Public Health Service Act (42 USC 242m) and the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 USC 552A).

I have been informed about the purpose and procedure of the lead dust collection, and understand both the risks and benefits. I agree to have dust samples collected in my home.

Signature of respondent Date

I do not want a report of my lead dust results

Signature of interviewer Date

Household/Family ID

Public reporting burden of this collection of information is estimated to average 6.6 hours per response for total participation, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to CDC/ATSDR Reports Clearance Officer; 1800 Clifton Road, MS D-24, Atlanta, GA 30333, ATTN: PRA (0920-0237).