

## Objective

This conference is held to assist environmental professionals, renovation contractors, and home property managers in identifying home health risks and improving maintenance and remodeling practices while maintaining a healthy home environment for occupants. Sessions will focus primarily on exposure to lead and home toxicants that may cause short- and long-term health effects as a result of these exposures.

This conference will cover the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (USEPA) Renovation, Repair, and Painting Rule (RRP).

To help prevent lead contamination when contractors perform RRP projects, the USEPA issued regulations in March 2008 that will require all renovators in the United States that work on certain types of housing or child-occupied facilities to be certified and follow specific work practices as of April 2010.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report dated January 30, 2009, identified RRP activities as being the most probable source of elevated blood lead levels in children due to lead exposure during renovation activities conducted by contractors, building managers, owners and tenants.

Renovation contractors, maintenance workers in multi-family housing, painters and other specialty trades will be required to be a certified renovator if they are performing renovation, repair and painting projects that disturb lead-based paint in homes, schools, and childcare facilities built prior to 1978.

This rule does not apply to homeowners performing renovation, repair or painting in their own home. However, adopting safe maintenance and remodeling practices can benefit not only the home owner/manager but prevent potential harmful health effects to family members and residents.

## Target Audience

Renovation contractors, property managers, housing inspectors, indoor air quality professionals, licensed home inspectors, legislators, community health educators, public health and environmental health professionals, lead program case managers, and the general public.

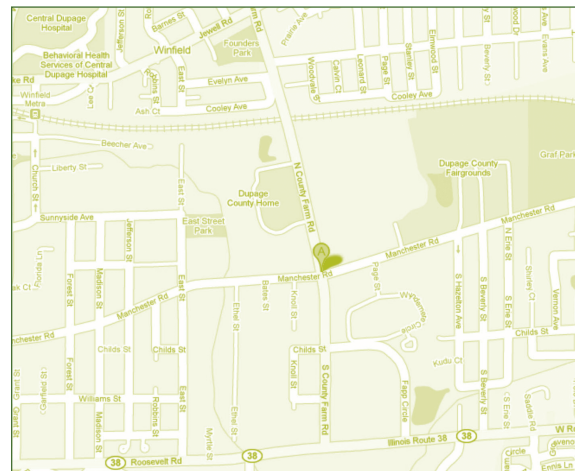
## Exhibits

The conference will feature a variety of exhibitors from organizations, programs and companies offering products, educational materials, and information on ways you can better protect you, your family and the health of families during renovation projects.

## Conference Sponsors

This workshop is sponsored by the Illinois Department of Public Health's Lead Program and the DuPage County Health Department. This conference is offered free of charge.

## Map of Conference Location



### Free parking

North side of building - area designated as "Public Parking"

Illinois Department of Public Health  
Illinois Lead Program  
525 W. Jefferson St., Third floor  
Springfield, IL 62761



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Illinois Department of Public Health

# 2009 Lead Poisoning Prevention and Healthy Homes Conference

Thursday  
**October 22, 2009**  
9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

**DuPage County  
Administration Building  
Building #421  
111 N. County Farm Road  
Wheaton, Ill. 60187**



## Workshop Agenda

**8 a.m. Registration/Continental Breakfast**  
Join us for an opportunity to network with your counterparts, view exhibits, and enjoy a light breakfast prior to the conference.

**9 a.m. Welcome**  
Master of Ceremonies  
Rich Cowgill, National Association of the Remodeling Industry

**9 a.m. Opening Remarks**  
Damon T. Arnold, M.D., M.P.H.  
Director, Illinois Department of Public Health

**9:15 a.m. "Recent Developments in Healthy Housing: A Review of the Evidence and Best Practices"**  
Dave Jacobs, Ph.D., CIH,  
This session will examine the current and historical evidence that housing improvements result in health gains and will discuss methods for integrating these improvements into routine housing finance, maintenance, construction, weatherization, and rehabilitation systems. The experience and approaches to adopting a broader, more holistic approach to healthy housing also will be presented.

**10:30 a.m. Break**

**10:45 a.m. "Medical Consequences of Home Health Hazards"**  
Karole Lakota, M.D.  
This session will discuss the prevalence and medical consequences to a family's health from exposure to lead and other potential health hazards found in the home.

**11:45 a.m. Lunch, Networking and Exhibits**

**12:30 p.m. "RRP rule"**  
Cindy Wheeler, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

In this session, Wheeler will discuss the new Renovation, Remodeling and Paint Rule, including specific details on:

- who must be certified
- how to get certified
- which renovation projects are covered
- the exception for minor maintenance
- how to determine whether lead-based paint is present
- renovator responsibilities
- work practices, including cleaning verification

**1:30 p.m. Break**

**1:45 p.m. "Conducting Lead Safe Work Practices"**  
John Dreher  
This session will educate contractors and housing maintenance personnel on the importance and ease of conducting lead-safe work practices.

**2:30 p.m. "Training and Certification for Certified Renovator"**  
Nicholas Peneff, Ph.D., CIH

This session will include:

- available training courses
- information for locating an accredited training provider
- typical fee schedule for training and certification
- eligibility requirements for refresher training
- description of new role as environmental contractor

## Meet the Speakers

**David Jacobs, Ph.D., CIH**, Director of Research at the National Center for Healthy Housing, Columbia, Maryland. For nearly a decade, Jacobs was director of the Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Jacobs has been involved in the writing of guidelines and policy for lead poisoning prevention and has testified before Congress a number of times.

**Karole Lakota, M.D.**, Medical Director of Performance Improvement for PCC Community Wellness Center, Oak Park, Illinois, is a family medicine physician actively involved in the prevention of lead poisoning in children. Lakota brings pertinent information on the medical consequences of exposure to lead to children as well as adults.

**Cindy Wheeler**, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Washington, D.C. Wheeler has been an attorney-adviser with the National Program Chemicals Division (NPCD) in EPA's Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics since 1995. She has been working primarily on the Renovation, Repair and Painting Rule since 2005. Her areas of expertise include lead-based paint and asbestos. She graduated cum laude from the University of Michigan Law School in 1989.

**John Dreher** serves as Community Development Manager, City of Danville, Illinois. He is a former union carpenter, having operated a business producing millwork replacements for historic buildings. Dreher has been involved in the designing and supervising of rehabilitation in more than 200 historic homes.

**Nicholas Peneff** operates Public Health and Safety, Inc. (Chicago) throughout Illinois. He has developed and conducted OSHA/EPA/IDPH-compliant training for environmental contractors with focus on lead and asbestos certifications for more than 20 years. PHS bases much of its training on its experience in lead, asbestos and mold surveys and project management with follow-up strategies for ongoing maintenance and compliance programs.

## Registration form

This is a FREE conference. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. Space is limited. Please complete and send this registration form to:

Eleanor Davis  
Illinois Lead Program  
525 W. Jefferson St., Third floor  
Springfield, IL 62761

or fax to 217-557-1188

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To register online, visit the IDPH Web site at [www.idph.state.il.us/training.htm](http://www.idph.state.il.us/training.htm).

For questions regarding online registration, please contact Vicky Ritz at 217-785-4475 or [vicky.ritz@illinois.gov](mailto:vicky.ritz@illinois.gov).

## Cancellation Policy

As a professional courtesy, please give 48 hour notice if you cannot attend. This is necessary for catering purposes and to allow others to attend.