

How to protect children from lead poisoning?









I do not play in dirty places!



I always wash my hands with soap when I come home!

I always wash my hands before eating!



I never put in my mouth anything picked up from the floor or from the ground



I drink a lot of milk, eat fruits and vegetables.
It is good for health!



Draw your favorite toys!



Make sure you keep your hands and toys clean!



Information for parents

Lead compounds are toxic. Lead affects the nervous system, lungs and digestive organs, causes pathological changes in blood composition and anemia. Lead poisoning is far more dangerous for children than for adults. Even small doses of lead may cause decreased intelligence and learning disability, attention disorders, aggressiveness, hyperactivity and other behavioral problems.



How does lead enter the human body?

Lead enters the body from polluted air, soil, indoor and outdoor dust, and in some cases food. Poor personal hygiene contributes to increased exposure to lead.

What increases the risk of lead poisoning of children?

The risk factors include: smoking of adults, lack of calcium in food, playing with contaminated soil or sand, eating unwashed berries and fruits in lead-contaminated areas, dust in the house, access to surfaces painted with lead paint.

How can you reduce the risk of lead poisoning?

Improving personal and household hygiene decreases the risk of lead posisoning. Children should get plenty of food containing calcium. Children may not be allowed to play near industrial and other contaminated areas. Do not graze livestock or grow agricultural products in the immediate vicinity of a lead smelter.



