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Child Lead Exposure Elimination Commission host community forum in Jackson to gather feedback on action plan

Five-year plan aims to create a state free of lead

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Jackson, Mich. —In order to gather feedback on a plan to create a lead-free Michigan, a public forum will be hosted by the state's Child Lead Exposure Elimination Commission (CLEEC) in Jackson on **Wednesday, June 13th from 2:30 - 5:00 p.m. at the Jackson County Health Department located at 1715 Lansing Avenue, Jackson in Conference Room 005.** Everyone with a concern about lead exposure for children is invited to this meeting.

The CLEEC's [five-year Action Plan](#) builds upon the work of the former Child Lead Poisoning Elimination Board with 51 specific action steps to be taken to benefit the health of Michigan's children. The action plan places a priority on the prevention of exposure before children are lead poisoned. Federal, state, local and community leaders, healthcare providers, private sector/academic experts, privacy law experts, local health departments, childcare centers and homeowners and tenants are invited to attend any of the forums to provide input on the next steps for implementation.

"We are hoping to gather feedback from a wide variety of individuals on how to move forward," said Dr. Eden Wells, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services chief medical executive and CLEEC chair. "Lead is a known irreversible neurotoxin that impacts children's development, and there is no safe level. The action plan is the state's guide to a state free of lead exposure."

Additional forums may be scheduled in other areas of the state. For a full listing of forums, visit Michigan.gov/leadcommission.

The CLEEC was established in 2017 to coordinate all efforts for the elimination of child lead exposure statewide, including the implementation of recommendations from the report [A Roadmap to Eliminating Child Lead Exposure](#) issued by the Child Lead Poisoning Elimination Board in November 2016. The commission prioritized the recommendations and grouped the objectives into six categories: regulations/laws, funding, testing, data, partnerships and education.

For more information or to review the action plan, visit Michigan.gov/leadcommission. To submit comments on the action plan, email MDHHS-leadcommission@michigan.gov.

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