

CHILDHOOD LEAD SCREENING FOR **KINDERGARTEN**

Under the guidelines from the Rhode Island Department of Health for kindergarten this year, lead screening is recommended for all students.

Lead poisoning is a serious disease caused by lead in the body. Even a little lead is poison to a small child. A child's brain is very sensitive to small amounts of lead. Lead poisoning can harm a child's developing brain and may result in problems with learning, behavior and coordination. Childhood lead poisoning, which is caused by environmental exposure to lead, is **COMPLETELY PREVENTABLE**.

Children need to have the lead screening for kindergarten along with their regular immunizations.

Thank you for your cooperation,

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