

RRP Rule Survey

The purpose of this survey is to garner expert opinion concerning how states should best utilize the opportunity that the federal Renovation, Repair, and Painting (RRP) Rule provides to prevent lead poisoning. Our hope is that consensus concerning what actions are necessary, or perhaps less important, would be useful in developing more effective programs to reduce unnecessary exposures. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at rccp@bu.edu. This research is being conducted by the Regulated Community Compliance Project at Boston University, an effort begun in 2004 to increase understanding of laws intended to prevent lead poisoning.

Please enter your full name (this is for internal purposes only and will be kept confidential).

First

Last

What is your field of expertise?

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If you answered "Other," please indicate your field of expertise.

Please briefly describe your experience with lead (relevant degrees, qualifications, years of experience, etc.)

In which state do you work? If different, in which state do you live?

For the remainder of the survey, you will be asked about the importance of actions a state could take concerning the RRP Rule. For each action, please rate it as: "Absolutely necessary", "Very important", "Important", "Not as important", or "Not necessary". For each of the four categories, in addition to rating each action, please select the one action you think is most critical for an effective state program. In the questions below, we refer to the "regulated community," which is defined as those who are compensated for work that disturbs sufficient paint surface area to be regulated by the RRP Rule. We also refer to those who hire regulated entities, and those who are responsible for the safety of children. This survey has a special focus on child-occupied facilities. The term "relevant facilities" used below includes schools, daycare centers, shelters, pre-K programs, and residences built before 1978.

Rate the following actions pertaining to outreach toward the regulated community:

The state informs the regulated community of the RRP Rule and potential liabilities for violations.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

The state informs the regulated community of opportunities to become lead-safe certified.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

The state offers subsidies for becoming lead-safe certified.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

The state informs the regulated community that complying with the law's provisions for preventing lead dust is quality work practice.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

Select the one action you think is most critical for an effective state program:

The state informs the regulated community of the F ▼

Rate the following actions pertaining to outreach toward the public/relevant facilities:

The state informs relevant facilities of the RRP Rule.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important

- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

The state has an effective program for educating parents, tenants, landlords, and other stakeholders about the importance of using lead-safe contractors.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

The state provides relevant facilities with a list of certified contractors, or information on how their employees can be trained.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

The state informs relevant facilities of the importance of obtaining a copy of documentation proving that the contractors have followed the law.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

The state informs relevant facilities of the importance of being present when the cleaning verification step is performed in lead abatement to ensure adequate cleaning.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

The state informs relevant facilities of the importance of considering the use of lead-dust testing.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important

- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

The state informs relevant facilities of the importance of visually inspecting work as it proceeds to verify that actions have been taken in a lead-safe manner.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

The state advises relevant facilities that contracts for work that disturb paint should specify that it should be done in compliance with the RRP rule.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

The state advises relevant facilities that contracts for work that disturb paint should specify that it should be done in compliance with OSHA.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

Select the one action you think is most critical for an effective state program:

Rate the following actions pertaining to enforcement of the RRP Rule:

If the state has authority to do so, it takes reasonable enforcement actions to ensure work in relevant facilities is performed in a lead-safe manner.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

If the state does not have authority to do so, it refers violations to the federal authorities.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

The state requires relevant facilities when renovating to either hire certified contractors or train and certify their own employees in lead safety.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

The state requires information from relevant facilities about whether work is performed by certified entities and done in a lead-safe manner.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

The state requires online notification of all work that disturbs paint in a relevant facility so that inspections may be performed.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

The state requires a building permit when there are renovations that disturb paint.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

The state requires the contractor's RRP certification number on above-mentioned permit.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

The state has a process in place to accept tips or complaints from the public regarding unsafe work and actively promotes the reporting of such.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

The state takes action to prevent the spreading of lead dust at facilities with children older than six years.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

Select the one action you think is most critical for an effective state program:

If the state has authority to do so, it takes reasonable ▼

Rate the following actions pertaining to lead testing:

The state makes testing mandatory for all children under the age of 2.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

The state mandates testing for all children prior to entering kindergarten.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important

- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

The state requires health professionals to report testing results.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

The state keeps a record of the percentage of children tested or screened for lead poisoning and strives to increase that percentage.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

The state keeps a record of the number of incidents of lead poisoning in its jurisdiction.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

The state uses 5 micrograms per deciliter or higher as the action level for an environmental investigation.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

The state monitors changes in the results to assess efficacy and target problem areas.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

The state tests all relevant facilities for lead.

- Not necessary
- Not as important
- Important
- Very important
- Absolutely necessary

Select the one action you think is most critical for an effective state program:

The state makes testing mandatory for all children | ▼

Is there any state which you believe currently has a strong program? Why?

What actions do you believe the federal government (EPA) should take to improve the RRP Rule?

May we contact you over the next couple weeks with further questions regarding state programs and the RRP Rule?

- Yes
- No

If you answered "Yes," please list your e-mail and/or phone number.

Do you have any other comments, or are there any important aspects of a successful and effective state program that we didn't mention here?

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