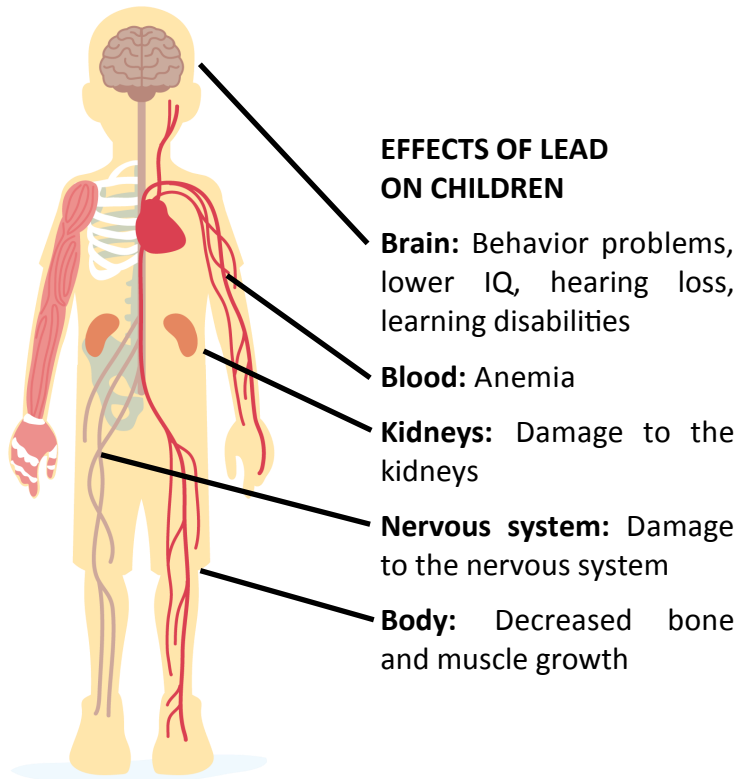




# LEARN ABOUT THE RISKS OF LEAD



**Lead exposure can come from lead-based paints, soil, dust, or water that comes in contact with lead pipes or plumbing.**

There is no safe level of lead for children or adults. Symptoms of lead exposure may not appear, but damage can still occur. Lead poisoning can cause a coma, seizure or death, although that is rare.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) estimates that 10 to 20 percent of a person's potential exposure to lead may come from drinking water. Infants who consume mostly formula mixed with lead-containing water can receive 40 to 60 percent of their exposure to lead from drinking water.

Don't forget about other sources of lead such as lead paint, lead dust, and lead in soil. Wash your children's hands and toys often as they can come into contact with dirt and dust containing lead.

## **To learn more about the risks of lead, contact these agencies:**

- The National Lead Information Center 1-800-424-5323
- EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline 1-800-426-4791
- Consumer Product Safety Commission 1-800-638-2772
- Visit the EPA at [www.epa.gov/lead/](http://www.epa.gov/lead/)

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