



Lead Screening Incentive Program

The Minnesota Department of Health recommends that children be tested for blood lead poisoning at one and two years of age. For children on state public programs, this includes a capillary blood lead test – not just a screening history.

We need your assistance to ensure eligible children are tested. In return, we will provide you with a monetary incentive per lead test completed for eligible South Country children.

Program Details

- **\$50 per child tested during the month of December 2009**
- Recipient must be **9-30 months of age** on the date of the lead test
- **Procedure code 83655** (capillary or venous blood lead test)
- **For lead tests sent to an outside laboratory**, attach a -90 modifier with \$0.00 in order to identify that the test was completed

Claims Submission

To accommodate timely reimbursement, claims should be submitted by 3/1/2010 to our third-party administrator MMSI.

The \$50/child incentive will be calculated after 3/31/2010 and payment will be sent to participating providers (it will not be included with the claims payment for the lead test).

Note: South Country will provide the names of children due for a blood lead test to the appropriate primary care clinics.

Questions or Comments?

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