

## **LEAD POISONING**

Lead paint and lead paint dust cause most lead poisoning. A tiny speck of lead dust (the size of a grain of salt) is enough to increase the lead level inside a person's body.

Lead paint was banned in the U.S. in 1978, long after it had been outlawed in Europe. But it still exists in about 38 million older buildings across the country.

When old lead paint peels and cracks, it loosens paint chips and creates lead dust. This happens a lot in areas like doors and windows that have moving parts. It also happens during renovation work that involves scraping, sanding or heating.

## **LEAD PAINT**

Lead is very, very dangerous when it gets inside our bodies. It can cause a wide range of serious long-term symptoms and in some cases, even death.

Who can get lead poisoning? Anyone.

Who's most at risk for lead poisoning? Small children and pregnant women.

## LEAD ABATEMENT

LEAD ABATEMENT reduces the dangers of lead paint in a building.

LEAD ABATEMENT "cleans up" the lead by removing, sealing or enclosing it.

LEAD ABATEMENT can be dangerous and should be done by trained professionals. Only state-accredited contractors and workers can legally and safely perform LEAD ABATEMENT work.

LEAD ABATEMENT turns older buildings into safe environments where people can live and work with peace of mind.

