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Dear Submitter:

**Subject: Change in Pediatric Reference Range for Blood Lead Reports**

**Effective June 1, 2013, the reference range for blood lead will be less than 5.0 ug/dl.** This change (from < 10.0 ug/dl) follows the CDC MMWR (April 5, 2013) and other similar reports (1, 2).

For questions or comments, please contact Mark Knottnerus at [KnottnerusM@michigan.gov](mailto:KnottnerusM@michigan.gov) or 517/335-9490.

In addition, you may want to review the reference materials listed below:

1. CDC Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR), 62 (13); 245-248, 2013. Blood Lead Levels in Children Aged 1-5 Years-USA; 1999-2010.
2. CDC response to advisory committee on childhood lead poisoning prevention recommendations in "Low Level Lead Exposure Harms Children: A Renewed Call of Primary Prevention" 2012. Document can be viewed at website: [http://www.cdc.gov/nceh/lead/ACCLPP/CDC\\_Response\\_Lead\\_Exposure\\_Recs.pdf](http://www.cdc.gov/nceh/lead/ACCLPP/CDC_Response_Lead_Exposure_Recs.pdf)

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