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HUD Announces National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week

In a [press release](#) yesterday, the Department of Housing and Urban Development ([HUD](#)) announced that National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week ([NLPPW](#)) 2023 will be held from October 22 through October 28. NLPPW is a partnership between HUD, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention ([CDC](#)), and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ([EPA](#)). The three agencies work together to raise awareness, provide resources, and encourage preventive actions to decrease childhood lead exposure.

This year’s NLPPW theme, “Together, we can prevent lead exposure,” emphasizes the importance of coordinating to protect communities from the dangers of lead exposure. According to the [NLPPW 2023 website](#), about 3.6 million American households have children under six years of age who live in homes with lead exposure hazards.

The three agencies have created outreach materials that are customizable, allowing partners to select and tailor information to best meet the needs of their local communities. The materials are centered around three key messages: get the facts, get your child tested, and get your home tested.

Some of the resources available on the NLPPW 2023 website include the [information kit](#), a [sample social media package](#), a [modifiable version of the flyer](#), a [web banner](#), and a [lead paint safety guide](#). HUD encourages all its stakeholders to use the resources to support NLPPW and expand the reach of engagement, especially in disadvantaged communities.



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