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Detection of Lead Poisoning in Children

Risk Factor Questionnaire

- Risk factor questionnaire completed on children age 6, 12, 18 and 24 months, and 3, 4, 5, and 6 years of age.
 - If the risk factor questionnaire indicates risk for lead exposure, then a capillary screening test will be performed.
- **Note: All children on Medicaid receive a capillary screening test at 12 and 24 months old.**

Capillary Screening Test

- Public health receives test results via electronic laboratory reports and from medical providers.
- If the capillary screening test is $\geq 5\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$, Sedgwick County Division of Health (SCDOH) contact the medical provider who ordered the test to ensure appropriate follow-up, which includes a venous confirmatory test.

Confirmatory Venous Test

- If the venous confirmatory test is $\geq 5\mu\text{g}/\text{dL}$, Sedgwick County Division of Health will:
 - Conduct phone interviews and provides education to parent/guardian;
 - Perform home assessment if criteria are met and when no exposure is identified during the phone interview;
 - Contacts medical provider to ensure appropriate follow-up and monitoring.



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Testing for Lead Exposure: When to Retest?

- A **risk factor questionnaire** helps determine a child's risk for lead exposure.
- Children at high risk for lead exposure receive a capillary screening test.
- All children on Medicaid receive a capillary screening test at 12 and 24 months old.

