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Thank you all for your comments this AM--very helpful!

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Eden, thanks for checking. I think that is a great pro-active plan. What I was cautioning against was the comments made in the TAC meeting designed to convince us that the change in lead levels after the change over to Flint River water has something to do with paint.

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On Wed, Nov 11, 2015 at 6:19 PM, Wells, Eden (DHHS) <WellsE3@michigan.gov> wrote:
Hi Pete,

I just want to check in on this one statement to be sure we are on the same page-I may be over-reading-as we go through the EBL investigations every child with a level of 5 or more is and will be undergoing a home investigation which will look at all sources of potential lead exposure, including potential water sources, regardless of the fact that the river source has switched. These home investigations have already begun by GCHD and additional PH staff.

My concern is that if we mitigate all of the potential water sources for a child, there will still be other environmental sources that should also be mitigated/abated as part of that investigation—I would hate to have the child continue to be exposed to any sources of lead, even as water is addressed?

My long-term view is that, as water sources improve (that is the goal!!), there will still be a need for general lead abatement, but I am not viewing this as a deflection as much as a need to consider for long-term public health planning.

Your thoughts welcome,

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On Nov 11, 2015, at 9:57 AM, Pete Levine <plevine@gcms.org> wrote:

I also think it is important for folks to stop trying to deflect this crisis into a general lead abatement discussion.



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