

**Peeler, Nancy (DHHS)**

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**From:** Minicuci, Angela (DCH)  
**Sent:** Friday, September 25, 2015 1:13 PM  
**To:** Scott, Robert L. (DCH); Peeler, Nancy (DCH)  
**Subject:** FW: Flint follow-up

**Importance:** High

Hi Nancy and Bob,

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Thank you,

Angela

**From:** Tanner, Kristi [mailto:ktanner@freepress.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, September 25, 2015 12:16 PM  
**To:** Minicuci, Angela (DCH) <MinicuciA@michigan.gov>  
**Subject:** Flint follow-up

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Can you ask you epidemiologist to confirm? Also, is this the first significant increase that Flint has seen for this cohort?

Thanks!

Kristi

(313) 222-8877 office

PPI cell

Children in Flint, less than 16 years of age, tested for lead

| Children with Elevated BLL* |     |          | Children Tested**     |       |
|-----------------------------|-----|----------|-----------------------|-------|
| May 2010 - April 2011       | 168 | 0.043796 | May 2010 - April 2011 | 3,836 |
| 2011-2012                   | 153 | 0.036085 | 2011-2012             | 4,240 |
| 2012-2013                   | 118 | 0.028379 | 2012-2013             | 4,158 |
| 2013-2014                   | 95  | 0.023691 | 2013-2014             | 4,010 |
| 2014-2015                   | 123 | 0.032106 | 2014-2015             | 3,831 |
| May - August 2015           | 34  | 0.029746 | May - August 2015     | 1,143 |

\*Each child counted only once.

\*\*Some children counted in more than one year.

September 24, 2015

Source: MDHHS Data Warehouse

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**To:** Peeler, Nancy (DCH)  
**Cc:** Scott, Robert L. (DCH)  
**Subject:** RE: Flint follow-up

Bob, I like what you had to say. That's basically what I told her, but she wants to hear it from someone other than a spokesperson ☺ Are you available for a call with her?

Angela

**From:** Peeler, Nancy (DCH)  
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**Cc:** Scott, Robert L. (DCH) <ScottR9@michigan.gov>  
**Subject:** Re: Flint follow-up

I think Bob is the best person to speak to them about the lead data, if you are comfortable with that, Bob. My secret hope is that we can work in the fact that this pattern is similar to recent past. :)

Sent from my iPad

On Sep 25, 2015, at 1:12 PM, Minicuci, Angela (DCH) <MinicuciA@michigan.gov> wrote:

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