
From: Scott, Robert L. (DCH)
Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2015 12:45 PM
To: Paul Diefenbach
Subject: RE: Medicaid Lead Testing reports

☺ I'm glad to hear we (Lead) are not the first.

From: Paul Diefenbach [mailto:pdiefenbach@mlpp.org]
Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2015 12:43 PM
To: Scott, Robert L. (DCH)
Subject: RE: Medicaid Lead Testing reports

Thanks for the explanation. That's what I was afraid of, since we use both the single year results and have a trend file on the national Data Center.
At least we're used to it; seems like most of our indicators have explanatory notes.

From: Scott, Robert L. (DCH) [mailto:ScottR9@michigan.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2015 10:43 AM
To: Paul Diefenbach
Subject: RE: Medicaid Lead Testing reports

It's a sticky one. We felt we needed to make the change to "confirmed" after we took a closer look at our data—even at the 5-9 levels so many capillary tests are followed by a lower venous test, so including all 5-9s (cap and venous) is misleading. On the other hand, that creates a precipitous drop in the number of kids with BLL >=5, so I provided the old version (confirmed and unconfirmed) for comparison with previous years.

So, my suggestion is this: when displaying 2014 numbers only, use the "confirmed" columns. When comparing against previous years, use the "confirmed & unconfirmed" columns. Of course this creates potential for lots of confusion, so some explanatory notes might be appropriate.

From: Paul Diefenbach [mailto:pdiefenbach@mlpp.org]
Sent: Wednesday, July 22, 2015 9:51 AM
To: Scott, Robert L. (DCH)
Subject: RE: Medicaid Lead Testing reports

I do have a question, now that I am processing the data.

There are now confirmed and unconfirmed counts of >5 ug/dL. Which one should I use?

From: Scott, Robert L. (DCH) [mailto:ScottR9@michigan.gov]
Sent: Monday, July 20, 2015 12:59 PM
To: Paul Diefenbach
Subject: RE: Medicaid Lead Testing reports

Paul,

Please see three attached files. Let me know if you have questions.

Bob

From: Paul Diefenbach [<mailto:pdiefenbach@mlpp.org>]
Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2015 9:12 AM
To: Scott, Robert L. (DCH)
Subject: RE: Medicaid Lead Testing reports

I didn't get an attachment. We use the data for 12 cities -- all but Benton Harbor and Hamtramck.

From: Scott, Robert L. (DCH) [<mailto:ScottR9@michigan.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2015 4:28 PM
To: Paul Diefenbach
Subject: RE: Medicaid Lead Testing reports

Paul,

I apologize for letting the target date slip by. I think I can work on them now, will try to have them to you by the end of this week. Please see attached—do you need all of those cities, or are you looking for specific ones?

Thanks,
Bob

From: Paul Diefenbach [<mailto:pdiefenbach@mlpp.org>]
Sent: Tuesday, July 14, 2015 11:17 AM
To: Scott, Robert L. (DCH)
Subject: FW: Medicaid Lead Testing reports

Bob,
Could you estimate when the files will be ready?
Thanks.

From: Scott, Robert L. (DCH) [<mailto:ScottR9@michigan.gov>]
Sent: Tuesday, May 19, 2015 3:41 PM
To: Paul Diefenbach
Subject: RE: Medicaid Lead Testing reports

Will do!

From: Paul Diefenbach [<mailto:pdiefenbach@mlpp.org>]
Sent: Tuesday, May 19, 2015 3:18 PM
To: Scott, Robert L. (DCH)
Subject: Medicaid Lead Testing reports

Hi Bob,
Attached are the annual reports you have been sending us. Could you please send the 2014 versions? June 19 would be a good target date.

Thank you.