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To: Kindergartner

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Subject: Blood Lead Testing for Kindergartners

The Iowa Department of Public Health has launched a mandatory blood lead testing program for kindergartners. The program aims to identify and address lead poisoning in young children, ensuring their health and safety.

The program requires blood lead testing for all kindergartners entering school in the fall, regardless of age or previous testing. Children enrolled in Medicaid, Hawk-i, or other insurance programs will automatically be tested.

In 2008, the state of Iowa implemented mandatory blood lead testing for children (Mandatory Blood Lead Testing). This initiative is designed to prevent lead poisoning and protect the health of Iowa's children.

For more information, visit the Iowa Department of Public Health's website at https://idph.iowa.gov/Portals/1/Files/LPP/Chapter.641.67.pdf.

Please be advised that this is a state-wide requirement, and you are strongly encouraged to comply.

Sincerely,

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