

Lead is a metal that was used in a variety of home products. It is also very dangerous if breathed in or swallowed. Lead poisoning is one of the most serious health hazards for children in a lodge.

Kids are very sensitive to lead and can get very sick if any gets in their bodies.

Lead poisoning can cause learning and behavior problems.

Lead isn't used as much as it used to be, but you still have to be careful. If your lodge was built before 1978, it might have lead-based paint or pipes. The most common way people get sick is from breathing the dust of old, worn paint from around windows or doors, especially when repainting or remodeling.

Keep kids away from any chipped, peeling or cracked paint and use proper safety instructions to remove or cover up the hazardous areas. When dealing with old paint it is best to hire a 'lead certified renovator.'

