

Broome County Health Department & Cornell Cooperative Extension of Broome County



Lead Primary Prevention HEPA Vacuum Loaner Program



**Lead poisoning is a serious health concern for children.
Most lead exposure happens in homes built before 1978.**

Cleaning of areas that may contain lead dust is important to prevent lead exposure in children. Invisible lead dust collects on window sills, floors, toys, furniture, or even the fur of animals. From there, it can easily find its way into a child's mouth through normal activities. **The industrial HEPA vacuums available for checkout are specially designed to capture hazardous lead dust particles 0.3 microns or larger at 99.97% or greater efficiency.**

There are two vacuums available for loan, and you may borrow a unit for up to 3 days. **You must call ahead to reserve a vacuum.** You must provide a valid driver's license or state ID and a home address (no P.O. boxes). The unit is to be used for DRY, household cleaning ONLY and must be returned clean. **Please call Broome County's Lead Primary Prevention Program at 607-778-2847 if you have questions about how to conduct any lead-based hazardous work.**

To reserve a HEPA vacuum, call:

Cornell Cooperative Extension
840 Upper Front Street, Binghamton, NY 13905
8:30am-4:30pm, Mon-Fri
(607) 584-5014 or (607) 772-8953