

**STATEMENT OF POLICY: 1993  
LEAD BASED PAINT**

Lead should be viewed as a public health issue. We support increased education of all homeowners about lead so that they will become aware of, and motivated to test for, potential health hazards. Legislative and administrative efforts should be directed at the general public, rather than focused on the real estate transaction and we strongly oppose any form of mandatory testing tied to the real estate transaction process. We support efforts to identify and reduce the potential health threat that the presence of lead may pose.