

**144.9507 LEAD-RELATED FUNDING.**

Subdivision 1. **Lead education strategy contracts.** The commissioner shall, within available federal or state appropriations, contract with:

(1) boards of health to provide funds for lead education as provided for in sections 144.9503 and 144.9504; and

(2) swab team workers and community-based advocacy groups to provide funds for lead education for primary prevention of toxic lead exposure in areas at high risk for toxic lead exposure.

Subd. 2. **Lead risk assessment contracts.** The commissioner shall, within available federal or state appropriations, contract with boards of health to conduct lead risk assessments to determine sources of lead contamination and to issue and enforce lead orders according to section 144.9504.

Subd. 3. **Temporary lead-safe housing contracts.** The commissioner shall, within the limits of available appropriations, contract with boards of health for temporary housing, to be used in meeting relocation requirements in section 144.9504, and award grants to boards of health for the purposes of paying housing and relocation costs under section 144.9504. The commissioner may use up to 15 percent of the available appropriations to provide temporary lead-safe housing in areas of the state in which the commissioner has the duty under section 144.9504 to perform secondary prevention.

Subd. 4. [Repealed, 1999 c 245 art 2 s 45]

Subd. 5. **Federal lead-related funds.** To the extent practicable under federal guidelines, the commissioner of health may use federal funding to contract with boards of health for purposes specified in this section, but only to the extent that the federal funds do not replace existing funding for these lead services.

Subd. 6. **Medical assistance.** Medical assistance reimbursement for lead risk assessment services under section 256B.0625, subdivision 52, shall not be used to replace or decrease existing state or local funding for lead services and lead-related activities.

**History:** 1995 c 213 art 1 s 9; 1998 c 407 art 2 s 71-73; 2001 c 205 art 1 s 34; 2007 c 147 art 16 s 8