The National Center for Healthy Housing (NCHH) has provided innovative, reliable, responsive support to the NYSDOH Childhood Lead Poisoning Primary Prevention Program (recently renamed to CLPPP+) since 2007. In this role, NCHH has worked in concert with NYSDOH and the CLPPP+ grantees to amass knowledge of field operations, evaluate programmatic process and outcome data, thoughtfully assess and evaluate county-level practices and policies, strategically target technical assistance efforts, design quality improvement activities, and shape next steps. This program-level support has traditionally taken the form of data evaluation and management, program improvement activities, training webinars, peer-to-peer sharing opportunities, site visits, and technical assistance on priority topic areas. Further, NCHH offers tailored technical assistance directly to individual CLPPP+ grantees as needed. A sampling of the ways NCHH can support local efforts is included below, and other activities to meet your unique needs are also available. Contact Laura Fudala at lfudala@nchh.org to learn more.

NCHH can provide assistance on most programmatic and policy issues facing CLPPP+ grantees. Historically, these issues have included increasing compliance rates, decreasing compliance time frames, addressing case/inspection backlogs, advising on staffing structure, assuring a community value for lead-safe housing, securing political will, and conducting cost-benefit analyses.

NCHH can work with individual grantees to develop and analyze local data in response to program-specific needs. This support might be used to advance internal program priorities and identify opportunities for improvements, or it might be used to develop visually engaging and concise data-driven materials valuable in supporting leadership and public engagement efforts at all levels.

NCHH can provide CLPPP+ grantees with strategic planning facilitation to engage multiple stakeholders in developing community-wide and shared strategic priorities to address childhood lead poisoning more comprehensively and proactively from health, housing and community-based perspectives.

Preventing childhood lead poisoning includes developing a compelling and consistent way of ‘making your case’ to a range of stakeholders. Doing so results in stronger relationships, promoting your value, highlighting successes, presenting opportunities, and ultimately increasing your impact. NCHH can work with CLPPP+ grantees to develop materials that "make their case" and support grantee involvement in related capacity-building offerings.

NCHH specifically offers flexible technical assistance to grantees looking to prepare for, compete for, partner on, and/or implement a local HUD Lead Hazard Control program. Support can begin before the funding notice is released to build capacity, develop a grant strategy, and establish partnerships; it can also extend post-award to support implementation. NCHH support for a variety of other grant opportunities is also available.

Local coalitions (e.g., task forces, advisory committees, formal coalitions, etc.) are critical to leveraging community-wide resources, political leadership, and sustainability in the prevention of childhood lead exposure. NCHH can assist CLPPP+ grantees in identifying key stakeholders, completing a local inventory of programs/policies, developing meeting materials, and facilitating discussions to support coalition efforts at all levels.

There are many ways local policies can be used as a lever to motivate and implement positive change, and every community’s needs, ground-level realities, and potential solutions will be unique. From strategizing approaches to reviewing and drafting ordinance language to acting as a bridge with codes departments and other stakeholders to supporting implementation efforts and more, NCHH can help CLPPP+ grantees achieve cross-sector partnerships and put sustainable, systems-level policies and programs in place.