



## **LEAD IN SOIL POLICY FOR HOMES BUILT PRIOR TO 1978**

We decrease possible lead exposure from soil in our home-based child care by:

- Regularly checking the condition of our home's exterior paint for signs of chipping, cracking, or peeling.
- Testing any bare soil around our property for lead contamination OR making sure all bare soil is covered with mulch, plantings, or grass.

We also reduce lead dust and dirt levels indoors by using healthy best practices.

**For more information, tips, and resources, see our Lead in Soil Worksheet.**

NOTE: Lead in soil is a common source of lead in and around homes. Lead may also be present in paint, drinking water, foods, candies, spices, pottery/dishes, cosmetics, toys, jewelry, traditional medicines, painted furniture, other consumer products, and other sources, including exposure to lead associated with certain jobs or hobbies. Visit the [Lead-Safe Toolkit for Home-Based Child Care](#) for more information.

\*\*Always check that you're complying with state or local licensing regulations.