



Lead Accreditation Update for Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19)

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Lead Poisoning Prevention Program



Dear Lead Paint Service Providers:

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Governor Larry Hogan issued a state of emergency for the State of Maryland. As part of these proactive measures to minimize the spread of the virus, the Governor issued an [executive order](#) related to licenses, permits, registrations, and other authorizations that may be expiring or up for renewal during the state of emergency. The executive order immediately extends the expiration of these authorizations until 30 days after the date of termination of the state of emergency. This includes accreditations processed in the Lead Poisoning Prevention Program, Lead Accreditation Division.

What this means for Lead Paint Service Providers, is that any accreditation that has expired on or after the executive order was issued, will be automatically extended per the executive order. This extension only applies to currently accredited service providers who are renewing their accreditation. The Lead Program is still processing Lead Accreditation Applications at this time; however, due to the current circumstances, the processing time may be delayed. Please continue to mail your applications for accreditation and payments to the P.O. Box listed on the application. In keeping with the guidance for social distancing, if you need assistance with your application, please call 410-537-3825 for help, and one of our staff will get back to you as soon as possible.

Additionally, if you are scheduled to attend a Lead Paint Course at one of the accredited [Training Providers](#), please contact them directly to make sure that the class has not been canceled. We will continue to provide updates as necessary.

Thank you for your understanding and patience during this time.

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