

Environmental Blood Lead Level (EBLL) Case Investigation

Sending in Environmental Samples

When environmental samples are sent to the lab, a chain-of-custody form needs to be completed and sent with the samples. Fill out the chain-of-custody form completely. See sample included in the environmental investigation kit packet. The completed form must be included with the samples or the lab will not analyze the samples. Place samples and chain-of-custody form together in the 1-gallon plastic bag that is labeled and included in the environmental investigation kit.

Place the plastic bag that includes the samples and the chain-of custody form into a mailing/packing container. Mailing label for EHS Labs is provided.

It is highly recommended that you send the package by UPS ground. UPS ground provides tracking services. Record and keep tracking number available for possible shipping problems.

Sampling turnaround time is 72 hours. Results will be available according to when samples are received by the lab. If samples are received by noon, the results will be available by close of business on the third day. If samples are received after noon, the results will be available by close of business on the fourth day. Turnaround times do not include weekends or holidays. In some cases we can order a 24 hour sampling turnaround time (contact the Oregon Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program for more information).

The finalized report will be emailed to the Oregon Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program (OCLPPP) and then sent to you. If you do not receive the report within 5 working days of shipping, please contact OCLPPP at 971-673-0440 and they will inquire about the status of the samples. Hardcopy results (the original report and a copy of the Chain of Custody) will be sent to the OCLPPP within two days following analysis. Please send a copy of the EBLL Report (questionnaire) and all follow-up documentation for the case to OCLPPP or attach in Orpheus.

Send EBLL investigation/sampling kit back to the Oregon Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program with the enclosed mailing label. If you have any questions call the Oregon Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program at 971-673-0440.

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