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Governor Musgrove Proclaims “Lead Poisoning Prevention Week”

(Jackson, MS) – Governor Ronnie Musgrove has proclaimed the week of October 19, 2003, as “Lead Poisoning Prevention Week” to make Mississippians aware of the dangers of lead poisoning.

“Lead poisoning can affect everyone especially children and cause acute as well as lifelong problems,” said Musgrove. “Lead poisoning is preventable though, and if children are tested at a young age parents can more effectively protect their child’s future health.”

Lead poisoning can cause learning disabilities and at very high levels can cause seizures, coma, and even death.

For information please visit the Mississippi State Department of Health’s website at www.msdh.state.ms.us or call 601-576-7400 for more information.

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