To: All Medi-Cal PCPs and Medi-Cal IPAs
From: IEHP – UM Department
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Subject: CDC Alert: Expansion of Recall of LeadCare Blood Lead Tests Due to Risk of Falsely Low Results

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has issued a Health Alert Network (HAN) Health Update as an update to HAN Update 454: Expansion of Recall of LeadCare Blood Lead Tests Due to Risk of Falsely Low Results.

The purpose of this HAN Update is to clarify options for retesting children who were tested with the recalled LeadCare lead test kits.

Magellan Diagnostics, Inc. is recalling LeadCare II, LeadCare Plus, and LeadCare Ultra Blood Lead Test kits due to a significant risk of falsely low blood lead level results.

The FDA has concerns that falsely low results associated with LeadCare test kits referenced above may contribute to health risks in special populations such as young children and pregnant individuals.

Please reference the CDC’s announcement on our Correspondence page for recalled test numbers and Provider recommendations regarding retesting at-risk populations:

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