New Maternal and Child Health Resource!
AMCHP releases new interactive toolkit for lead poisoning prevention

The Association of Maternal & Child Health Programs (AMCHP) is pleased to announce the release of a new resource, its “MCH Lead Toolkit” to prevent and mitigate lead poisoning for infants, children, pregnant people, and families. This interactive, action-oriented toolkit is the final product of a three-year grant AMCHP received from the Health Resources and Services Administration’s Maternal and Child Health Bureau to lead a national Maternal and Child Environmental Health Collaborative Improvement and Innovation Network (MCEH CoIIN). The MCH Lead Toolkit shares best practices and lessons learned from the MCEH CoIIN, its national partners, and state teams. It aims to help public health professionals access resources, strategies, tools, and ideas that they can replicate or adapt in their states, jurisdictions, and communities.

The MCH Lead Toolkit features:

• Easy navigation to meet your needs – you choose how you go through the toolkit and which sections you use
• Interactive action center organized by focus areas for systems change (Family Engagement and Partnership, Clinical Settings, and more!)
• Case studies from nine state teams that tested out innovative practices and quality improvement methods
• Tip sheets and resources
• Searchable resource index

This toolkit was developed for anyone who works in local and state health departments, but it will also be of use to state and local decisionmakers, public health and environmental health professionals and leaders, family and community leaders, students, policymakers, and anyone interested in decreasing maternal and child exposure to lead and improving systems of care to meet the needs of lead-exposed MCH populations.

You can access the toolkit at www.MCHLeadToolkit.org. Check out the Tips For Getting Started to learn more about how to make the most of the toolkit for your work. For more information about the project, visit AMCHP’s MCEH CoIIN website. You may also contact MCHLeadToolkit@amchp.org for additional questions or information requests.