

### ASSEMBLY STANDING COMMITTEE ON HEALTH ASSEMBLY COMMISSION ON STATE-LOCAL RELATIONS

# NOTICE OF ROUNDTABLE

<u>SUBJECT</u>: Lead Paint Poisoning Prevention

<u>PURPOSE</u>: To examine how localities respond to lead paint poisoning and the role of state government in assisting localities.

#### City Council Chambers Room #302-a City Hall Rochester

Tuesday August 30, 2016 11:00 AM

## **Participation by Invitation Only**

Exposure to lead can have lasting health effects, particularly in children, including irreversible brain damage and damage to the kidneys and nervous system. Although lead paint was banned for residential use by the Federal government in 1978, it remains in housing built before the ban and poses a continued health risk. According to the New York State Department of Health (DOH), over 8,000 children had confirmed high blood lead levels from 2011-2013. Throughout the state, municipalities have addressed lead paint abatement in various ways; however, there is no statewide standard for lead paint abatement. DOH plays an oversight role in local lead screening, environmental assessment and lead hazard control efforts. This roundtable will review municipal programs addressing lead poisoning (such as Rochester's) and whether the State should have a larger role.

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