It’s the most important text you’ll get for your child’s future.

Keep your child on schedule for blood lead tests. Use these easy steps to enroll:

Text “LEAD” to (202) 788-5578. Reply “YES” to enroll or “STOP” to leave the program.

Enter child’s birth month and year as MMYYYY, such as 052021 for May 2021 or 102021 for October 2021.

Schedule a doctor’s visit and blood lead test for your child as soon as you get a text reminder.

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ASK YOUR DOCTOR TO TEST YOUR CHILD FOR LEAD

Most children poisoned by lead do not look or act sick. But lead exposure can lead to future medical, behavioral, and learning problems.

A blood test is the only way to know if your child is being exposed to lead.

Get Your Child Tested!

By law, all children who live in the District of Columbia must be tested for lead at ages 6–14 months and 22–26 months.

If your child’s lead level is high, your doctor can help you identify ways to protect your child from further lead exposure and offer treatment as needed.

Learn more at: doee.dc.gov/twicebytwo.