

## Understanding On-Site Visits at Your Facility: Lead-Based Paint and Asbestos

### You may see certified and accredited professionals conducting on-site visits for lead-based paint and asbestos as part of the Clean Classrooms for Carolina Kids™ program.

The Clean Classrooms for Carolina Kids program helps fulfill North Carolina requirements for public schools and child care facilities to identify and eliminate exposure to lead and asbestos hazards. The program is a partnership between the NC Department of Health and Human Services (NC DHHS) and RTI International, along with our liaison, the NC Department of Public Instruction (NC DPI).

### Why does my facility require an on-site visit?

Based on information your facility provided during program enrollment, your facility needs an on-site visit to assess whether there are lead-based paint and/or asbestos hazards in your building(s). Exposure to building materials that contain lead or asbestos is a public health concern, but the materials may not present a hazard if they are managed safely.

### What can I expect during an on-site visit?

A certified/accredited professional will perform a scheduled on-site visit. They may begin by gathering information on the facility layout and any areas of concern. Then, they will perform a visual inspection to locate any lead-based paint or asbestos hazards and collect samples,



as needed. On-site visits are estimated to take one to three days depending on the size of the facility and buildings can remain open during the visit. Local areas may need to be closed at the discretion of the professional while samples are being collected.

### What happens after an on-site visit?

We will provide results and recommended actions in our online portal for facilities, and any sample results will be publicly available on the Facility Data and Mapper of our program website after five business days. Your facility is required to restrict access to or mitigate any identified hazards.

### QUESTIONS?



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