

You, your children, and your pets can become lead poisoned any time you breathe lead dust, fumes, or swallow anything that contains lead.

The highest risk is in windows of homes built before 1978. The older the home, the more likely it is to have lead-based paint.

Pets can track lead dust into your home from lead in soil and chipping/peeling paint on the outside of your home.

Lead dust collects on fur. Pets should not be allowed to sit or lay in window wells. Once lead dust collects on their fur, it will easily spread to other areas of your home.

Pets can disturb lead paint when they scratch or chew on surfaces that contain lead paint.

Following Lead Safe Work Practices when renovations are being done can protect everyone.....

**PETS INCLUDED.**

Call the Oneida County Health Department at the number below to find out how you can protect yourself, your children, and your pets from lead poisoning.



# PROTECT YOUR PETS FROM LEAD POISONING



## Oneida County Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program

185 Genesee St. 4th Fl. Utica, NY 13501

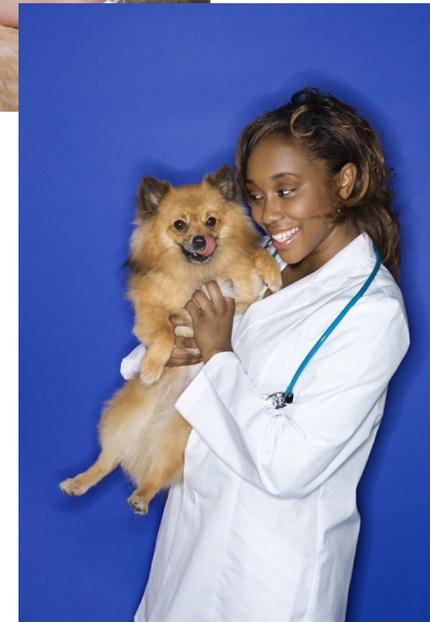
Secondary Prevention Program (CLPPP)

(315)-798-5842

[www.ocgov.net](http://www.ocgov.net)

HEPA Vacuum Loaner Program

(315) 798-5067



**ANIMALS CAN HAVE THE FOLLOWING PROBLEMS FROM BECOMING LEAD POISONED**

Vomiting

Loss of appetite

Stomach pain

Nervous system problems

Convulsions

Hysteria

Uncontrolled biting/scratching

Blindness

Tremors



**WHAT YOU CAN DO TO PROTECT YOUR PETS**

Remove pets from older homes during remodeling.

Do not allow pets to be in areas where there is chipping or peeling paint.

Keep pets from things that can be easily swallowed such as fishing sinkers, plumbing materials, and imported toys and jewelry.

Do not use ceramic food or water bowls.

Do not keep food or water bowls under windows where you see chipping or peeling paint.

**PUPPIES AND KITTENS GET LEAD POISONED EASIER THAN ADULT ANIMALS**

