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Dear Homeowner or Renter,

LSU School of Public Health is enrolling families in the New Orleans area for a study to check the levels of lead in tap water. The study is being done in partnership with the LA Office of Public Health.

Lead is a toxic metal found in old plumbing. It can cause learning problems and violent behavior in children. You may be at risk if you can answer yes to the following questions:

- Do you drink or cook with water straight from the tap?
- Is your home old or does it have old water pipes?
- Are there children or women below the age of 45 in your home?

If you answered yes to these questions, and would like to participate in this study or have more questions, contact Adrienne Katner at 504-568-5942 or [akatn1@lsuhsc.edu](mailto:akatn1@lsuhsc.edu).

LSU will give you a free kit to collect your water. We will also ship your water to the lab and pay for all lab costs.

If high levels of lead are found in your tap water, we can show you some free and easy steps to lower the lead. We can then re-sample your water to see if these steps worked.

Please feel free to pass this along to anyone you think may be at risk.



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