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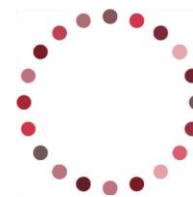
- Topic: Steps toward adoption of national lead paint laws
- Date: 9th July 2020
- Time: 14:00pm – 15:30pm (GMT + 2.00)
- Presenters: Angela Bandemehr, US EPA, Chair of the Lead Paint Alliance
- Facilitator: Andrea Rother, University of Cape Town
- Chair: Ms Maxine Brassell, MPH student, University of Cape Town



**Global Alliance to
Eliminate Lead Paint**

Steps toward adoption of national lead paint laws

Lead in Paint
Community of Practice



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Introduction

- The Global Alliance to Eliminate Lead Paint or Lead Paint Alliance is a global effort, which includes governments, industry, NGOs, legal organizations, and international organizations and works to help countries eliminate lead paint.
- UNEP and WHO serve as the Secretariat of the Alliance; the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is the Chair.
- Today's first Lead in Paint Community of Practice discussion will focus on the steps countries can take for the development and adoption of lead paint laws, which is critical to the successful elimination of lead paint in a country.

Introduction (continued)

- The Lead Paint Alliance outlines three “Suggested Steps towards laws” which have been helpful in countries that have successfully adopted laws. See: <https://www.unenvironment.org/resources/factsheet/suggested-steps-establishing-lead-paint-law>
- Each country may experience unique challenges when it comes to developing and adopting lead paint laws and country context is extremely important to consider.
- Countries can consider these three “Suggested Steps Toward Laws”:
 - The engagement of stakeholders,
 - The technical process of drafting a law, and
 - The raising of public awareness.

Introduction (continued)

- The discussion will address the following questions:
 - What steps toward adopting lead paint laws have been taken in your country? Stakeholder engagement? Development of a law? Awareness raising?
 - What are some challenges and opportunities you have encountered in your country when it has come to adopting lead paint laws? What do you think works or doesn't work?
 - What are some accomplishments and lessons learned in carrying out any of these steps?
- For each question, we will present background information to spur discussion.
- As we address these questions, we will hope to discover opportunities and solutions that may be relevant to address challenges of specific situations.

Background for Question 1

The following steps are laid out in the «Steps Toward Laws» Fact sheet:

- Stakeholder engagement to gain support for a lead paint law
 - Identify the appropriate government ministry or ministries
 - Conduct meetings
- Development of a lead paint law
 - Assess options for the development of a lead paint law
 - Designate the lead agency
 - Facilitate legal drafting
 - Develop the draft law
 - Conduct a public review process
 - Promulgate the law

Background for Question 1 (cont.)

- Awareness raising to promote development of a lead paint law
 - Identify appropriate target audience(s) for awareness raising as needed
 - Conduct targeted awareness raising as needed to promote development or implementation of lead paint laws

Question 1

- What steps toward adopting lead paint laws have been taken in your country?
- Consider the three steps:
 - Development of a law
 - Stakeholder engagement
 - Awareness raising
- Have any other steps been taken?

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Background for Question 2

- We are interested in your experience of challenges and opportunities you have been able to take advantage of.
- To spur discussion we list some challenges and opportunities that were identified, including by participants in regional lead paint workshops held in 2019.
- For information on the 2019 workshops, see:
<http://www.saicm.org/Implementation/GEFProject/LeadinPaintComponent/Output12/tabid/7975/language/en-US/Default.aspx>
- You may have experienced these challenges or opportunities, or have others to add.

Background for Question 2 (cont.)

- Challenges

- Need to engage all key ministries, e.g. environment, health, standards, industry
- Resistance to change by some in paint industry
- Convincing policymakers to take action now
- Determining the appropriate legal framework for a lead paint law
- Determine appropriate ministry for enforcement and process for implementation

Background for Question 2 (cont.)

- Opportunities
 - Momentum toward development of laws increasing across the regions
 - Existing support from industry in some countries
 - Existing testing, health and economic information to support lead paint phase-out
 - Countries may have existing laws where lead paint can be added
 - Can use existing inter-ministerial processes in some countries to help develop lead paint law
 - Support of civil society in many countries is often helpful

Question 2

- What are some challenges and opportunities you have faced in your country when it has come to adopting lead paint laws? What has worked or not worked?
- Consider the three steps:
 - Development of a law
 - Stakeholder engagement
 - Awareness raising
- Have you experienced challenges in any other part of the process?

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Background for Question 3

- The Lead Paint Alliance has observed the following successful strategies in its work with countries and stakeholders to develop lead paint laws:
 - Identify vibrant NGOs and industry champions to support effort
 - Determine appropriate ministry or ministries who will be in charge of developing and implementing a lead paint law
 - Using the Model Law and Guidance for Regulating Lead Paint draft and adopt lead paint laws, including through amending existing regulations
 - Help paint manufacturers understand that reformulation is possible and necessary

Background for Question 3 (cont.)

- For more information on Frequently Asked Questions about Lead Paint
- FAQ topics include:
 - Answers to common questions, including about the Lead Paint Alliance,
 - Why lead is used in paint,
 - Alternatives to lead in paint,
 - Costs of reformulation and paint testing.

See: <https://www.unenvironment.org/explore-topics/chemicals-waste/what-we-do/emerging-issues/global-alliance-eliminate-lead-paint-2>

Question 3

- What are some accomplishments and lessons learned in carrying out any of these steps?
- What are two key pieces of advice you would give to other countries implementing lead paint laws?

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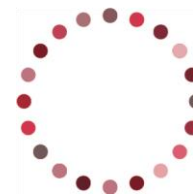
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DISCUSSION 2
11th August 2020
14:00pm - 15:30pm (GMT +2)



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