

# Mid Atlantic Lead Forum

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## AGENDA

### DAY 1: OCTOBER 1, 2019

- 8:00 am**      **Registration and Continental Breakfast**  
*Hunt Ballroom, downstairs from the hotel's main level*
- 8:30 am**      **Welcome**  
*Jen Cotting, Director, University of Maryland Environmental Finance Center*  
*Cosmo Servidio, Regional Administrator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 3*
- 8:40 am**      **Federal Action Plan to Reduce Childhood Lead Exposures**  
*Presenters will discuss the President's Task Force on Environmental Health Risks and Safety Risks to Children, as well as the Federal Action Plan to Reduce Childhood Lead Exposures and Associated Health Impacts.*
- Margot Brown, Deputy Director, Office of Children's Health Protection, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
  - Bruce Haber, Division Director, Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
- 9:10 am**      **Mid Atlantic Implementation of Federal Action Plan**  
*Regional Administrators will discuss efforts to implement the Federal Action Plan at the regional level.*
- Cosmo Servidio, Regional Administrator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
  - Dalton Paxman, Regional Health Administrator, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
  - Joseph DeFelice, Regional Administrator, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
- 9:40 am**      **Break / Networking**  
*Beverages available in Exhibitor's Hall*
- 10:00 am**      **City Panel Discussion**  
*Moderated by Patrick McDonnell, Secretary, Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection*  
*Representatives from invited cities will share their challenges and successes related to lead exposure and risk reduction.*  
Panelists:
- Bob Weir, Director, Real Estate and Housing Department, Wilmington, DE
  - Nancy Hausrath, Director of Utilities, Hagerstown, MD
  - Bill Murray, Executive Director, Reading Area Water Authority, Reading, PA
  - Daniel Mouer, Housing and Community Development Programs Administrator, Richmond, VA
  - Timothy Mitchell, Director of Water Resources, Lynchburg, VA

- 11:15 am**      **Federal Lead Action Plan and Other Initiatives**  
*Andrew Wheeler, Administrator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency*
- 11:45 am**      **Lunch / Networking Session in Exhibitors' Hall**  
*Fixed-price lunch available for purchase in Cinnamon Tree Restaurant, located on the hotel's main level; refer to event information packet for off-site dining options.*
- 1:30 pm**      **Community Panel Discussion**  
*Moderated by Ruth Ann Norton, President, Green and Healthy Homes Initiative*  
*Representatives from invited community organizations will share their needs, concerns, approaches, and successes in reducing lead exposure.*  
Panelists:
- Amy Roe, Co-Chair, Lead-Free Delaware, Newark, DE
  - Dennis Williams, Health Chairperson, NAACP, Reading, PA
- 2:00 pm**      **Maryland: Lead Risk Reduction Efforts**  
*Introduction by John Armstead, Director, Land, Chemicals and Redevelopment Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 3*  
*Presenters will describe Maryland's efforts to reduce blood lead levels in children.*
- Ben Grumbles, Secretary, Maryland Department of the Environment
  - Clifford Mitchell, Director, Maryland Department of Health
- 2:30pm**      **Break / Networking**  
*Beverages available in Exhibitor's Hall*
- 3:00 pm**      **Huntington, WV: Pursuing Partnership and Resources to Achieve Impact in a Small City**  
*Introduction by Scott Mandirola, Deputy Cabinet Secretary, West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection*  
*This session will highlight how the small city of Huntington, WV creatively collaborated with federal agencies and leveraged resources to achieve outsized impact.*
- Steven Williams, Mayor, City of Huntington
- 3:30 pm**      **City of Lancaster**  
*Introduction by Patrick McDonnell, Secretary, Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection*  
*Lancaster will share its experience becoming a certified training provider as well as its efforts to expand the number of lead-certified contractors and compliance assurance within the city.*
- Darren Parmer, Housing Rehabilitation & Lead Specialist, City of Lancaster, PA
  - Kevin Kauffman, Lead Inspector, City of Lancaster, PA
- 4:00 pm**      **Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention Lead Initiatives**  
*Alexandra Dunn, Assistant Administrator, Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency*
- 4:10 pm**      **Opportunities for Collaboration**  
*Moderated by Alexandra Dunn, Assistant Administrator, OCSPP*  
*Discussion of opportunities for collaboration between the cities and communities.*
- 4:30 pm**      **End of Day 1**
- 6:00 pm**      **Informal groups gather in hotel lobby for dinner outings**

## DAY 2: OCTOBER 2, 2019

- 8:00 am      **Registration and Continental Breakfast**
- 8:30 am      **Lead's Effects on Children and the Community**  
*Moderated by Ellen Kohler, Director of Water Resources, University of Maryland Environmental Finance Center*
- Laura Anderko, Director, Mid-Atlantic Center for Children's Health
  - Ruth Ann Norton, President, Green and Healthy Homes Initiative
  - Margot Brown, Deputy Director, Office of Children's Health Protection, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
  - Noel Brathwaite, Director, Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities, Maryland Department of Health
- 9:15 am      **Empowering Community Action**  
*Moderated by Ellen Kohler, Director of Water Resources, University of Maryland Environmental Finance Center*  
*Panelists will describe their respective roles in community-based lead reduction initiatives.*
- Sacoby Wilson, Associate Professor, School of Public Health, University of Maryland
  - Jerome Shabazz, Executive Director, Overbrook Environmental Education Center
  - Sarah Bucic, Environmental Health Committee Chair, Delaware PTA
  - Yvonne Johnson, NPTA Vice President of Advocacy, Delaware PTA
- 10:00        **Break / Networking**  
*Beverages available in Exhibitor's Hall*
- 10:15 am     **Federal Resources and Tools to Support Lead Reduction Efforts**  
*Federal agencies will present resources and tools available to support local lead risk reduction efforts.*
- EPA Targeted Brownfields Assessments (Kristeen Gaffney, EPA)
  - HUD Lead Hazard Control Grants (Edward A. Thomas, HUD)
  - EPA Drinking Water Grants (David McGuigan, EPA)
- 10:45 am     **Tools to Help You Make the Case for Local Action**  
*Jonathan Wilson, Deputy Director, National Center for Healthy Housing*
- 11:15 am     **Break**
- 11:30am      **Delivering on the Promise of Ending Lead Poisoning: Financing at Scale for Community-Driven Success**  
*Ruth Ann Norton, President, Green and Healthy Homes Initiative*
- 12:00 pm     **Closing of Forum**  
*Vernice Miller-Travis, Principal, Miller-Travis & Associates*
- 12:30 pm     **Thank You and Adjourn**  
*John Armstead, Director, Land Chemical and Redevelopment Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 3*