

PEOPLE'S HEALTH CENTERS DEMONSTRATE AT LEAD CONFERENCE

On Thursday, May 11, 1972 at 9:00 AM - representatives from several People's Free Health Centers will demonstrate at the Midwest Regional Conference on Childhood Lead Poisoning at the Conrad Hilton Hotel.

The purpose of the demonstration is to demand that the City of Chicago be "delead" by 1973.

This would mean:

1. All homes in Chicago with children under the age of five years be tested for lead.
2. Immediate action be taken by the City of Chicago to make these homes "delead"
3. All children in the City of Chicago between the ages of 1 to 5 years be tested for lead poisoning.
4. The immediate development of a long term treatment and follow-up program for all children with dangerously high lead levels.

We are not demonstrating to attack current model programs (as in Uptown) or the well-meaning efforts of this conference. We are here to say that model programs, conferences and minimal enforcement of existing laws are not preventing lead poisoning - an entirely preventable disease.

The people of Chicago have to see serious deleading programs put into effect in every community. Until then, the members of this conference, the city government, its Department of Buildings, the Board of Health, the housing courts, the real estate interests and the medical profession are joining in committing criminal acts against the people of Chicago.

Some of the People's Free Health Centers are initiating programs to begin deleading Chicago. We want to see everyone who says they are concerned about lead poisoning to begin to do the same.

Signs:

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