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Dr. J. F. Cole
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292 Madison Avenue
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Dear Dr. Cole:

Thank you for your comments on our proposed regulations making lead poisoning a reportable disease.

It is our intent to develop and implement a program for control of lead poisoning in children based upon the policy statement and recommendation of the Surgeon General. The proposed regulations do not make this clear and we have revised them to read:

Section 2(C)(3) Childhood Lead Poisoning
Lead poisoning as evidenced by a blood
level of 80 micrograms

Section 3(D)(2) Childhood Lead Poisoning
Any person who is in charge of a laboratory .

This new program will be part of our Division of Maternal and Child Health program and under the direction of Robert D. Gens, M.D., Chief, Handicapped Children's Program. I would be very happy for you to make arrangements to visit the Department and discuss any questions you have, or to make any suggestions based on your experience which you feel would be helpful to us. Please make arrangements for your visit with Doctor Gens.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "J. Finton Speller".

J. Finton Speller, M.D.

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