

Lead Elimination Action Program (LEAP) Risk Analysis

In January 2004 LEAP Government Technical Representatives (GTRs) performed a risk analysis of 7 active LEAP grants, which represents the first funded round of LEAP grants. The objective of the risk analysis was to identify and rank grants that most critically needed assistance from the Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control (OHHLHC). By ranking grantees relative to performance (low risk, medium risk or high risk) OHHLHC is in a position to optimally allocate funds for compliance monitoring and technical assistance for the purpose of providing resources to grantees so that goals and deliverables proposed grant applications can be achieved.

The risk analysis was based on a risk ranking worksheet that reviewed the performance period of each LEAP grant through September 30, 2003. The following criteria, as applicable to a specific grant, were used for this assessment:

- Financial Responsiveness (LOCCS Draws)
- Physical (treatments, evaluation and lead safe work practices)
- Management
- Satisfaction
- Services (unit production, relocation)

If a GTR considered that the numerical risk rating did not reflect an appropriate risk, the GTR was allowed the ability to adjust the numerical rating to reflect the risk considered to be appropriate, provided that a justification was documented. Grantees were assigned High, Medium, or Low Risk status according to the following scores:

- Low Risk -- <29
- Medium Risk -- 30-50
- High Risk -- >51

Results of the risk analysis for the 7 LEAP grants were distributed as follows:

- Low Risk - 4
- Medium Risk - 3
- High Risk- 0