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Vicki Schultes, Hearing Officer
Division of Public Health
253 N.E. Front Street
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RE: 30 DE Reg. 124 DHSS/DPH Revisions to Regulations Governing the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Act Regulations (September 1, 2026)]

Dear Ms. Schultes:

The Governor's Advisory Council for Exceptional Citizens (GACEC) has reviewed the Delaware Health and Social Services (DHSS)/Division of Public Health (DPH) proposal to make revisions to 4459A Regulations Governing the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Act. DHSS determined that additional changes needed to be made for two of the defined terms, "amending requirements for blood lead level screenings and tests and amending the timeline for valid blood lead level screening and testing" based on comments received on earlier proposed amendments.

The GACEC **supports** this proposed revision which will bring the Division of Public Health (DPH) and the regulations into compliance with current testing practices and related changes to Delaware law.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please feel free to contact Pam Weir or me should you ever have any questions on our comments. Thank you again for this opportunity.

Sincerely,

Molly Cleary Merrill

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Chairperson

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