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MEMORANDUM

From: Commanding Officer, Naval Support Activity Panama City  
To: Child and Youth Programs Parents and Caregivers

Subj: SAFE DRINKING WATER

Encl: (1) NAVFAC Safe Drinking Water - Checking for Lead

1. The safety and wellness of your children are our utmost priority, and I thank you for trusting me to implement measures that will further assure we provide the most healthful environment for your children who attend programs at our Navy facilities.

2. The Navy has issued new policy requiring each Installation to test for lead in drinking water every five years in priority areas, to ensure your children are protected. This policy aligns with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recommendation to sample for lead in drinking water at youth program sites and childcare facilities, and is more stringent than current water testing requirements.

3. Current data indicates our youth program sites and childcare facilities are safe. Plans are progressing to sample and analyze the drinking water for lead to identify any potential concerns and take all actions necessary to ensure the continued safety and wellness of your children. Testing samples will be drawn from fountains, faucets, and outlets where water is used for drinking or cooking.

4. The following locations at Naval Support Activity Panama City (NSA PC) will be tested:

- a. Child Development Center, Building 2087
- b. Youth Center, Building 632
- c. Outdoor Play Areas

5. Please refer to enclosure (1) NAVFAC's factsheet accompanying this letter to learn more about water testing onboard NSA PC.

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6. Testing onboard NSA PC is scheduled to occur 19-20 November. Test results, updates, and actions necessary to address any concerns will be available on our website as well as at the front desk of our childcare facilities and selected youth program sites approximately 4-6 weeks after the sampling event. For more information, please visit the EPA's website at <http://www2.epa.gov/lead> or the Commander Navy Region Southeast website at [http://www.cnrc.navy.mil/regions/cnrse/om/environmental\\_support/water\\_quality\\_information.html](http://www.cnrc.navy.mil/regions/cnrse/om/environmental_support/water_quality_information.html).

7. Contact Staci Mathewson, Environmental Engineer, NSA PC Public Works Department Environmental Office, (850) 235-5888 if you have questions or concerns.

8. I am committed to updating you every step of the way and will continue to ensure the safety and wellness of your children.



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