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Getting the Lead Out

A Case Study of Environmental Pollution and Child Development

Because lead has so many useful properties, it is widespread in the modern-day urban environment. Recent studies indicate that exposure to very small amounts of lead adversely affects children's brains and their futures. Despite this evidence, efforts to reduce the morbidity associated with lead exposure have moved sluggishly. In a case study of these efforts, Dr. Bellinger highlights the role of sociological factors in medical and public health decision-making.

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