IS YOUR HOME SAFE FROM RADON?

What is radon?

Radon is a naturally occurring invisible, odorless gas that comes from the natural radioactive breakdown of uranium in soil, rock, and water.

Radon can enter any home

Radon is drawn in through cracks and gaps in the foundation.

About 50% of homes in Colorado have high radon levels

Testing for radon is easy

Do-it-yourself short-term and long-term radon test kits are easy to set up and available for less than $35.

Fixing the problem is easy and inexpensive

There are many options to fix this problem. Contact your health department for information.

200 chest x-rays

In Colorado, living in a home with average levels of radon (6.4 pCi/L) for one year is like having 200 chest x-rays every year. That’s more than three chest x-rays for every person in the house every week.

Radon occurs naturally in soil

Due to the geology of Colorado, homes in our state have higher levels of radon than the national average.

Radon causes cancer

Every year in the U.S., over 20,000 people die from lung cancer caused by radon.

Radon decays into radioactive particles that, when inhaled, can damage the DNA in sensitive lung cells. The damaged cells can become cancerous.

200 chest x-rays

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Contact Your Health Department

Boulder County Public Health
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Broomfield Public Health & Environment
720.887.2220 Email: publichealth@broomfield.org
Denver Environmental Health
720.913.1311 Website: Denvergov.org/phi
Jefferson County Public Health
303.232.6301 Website: Jeffco.us/public-health/air-quality/radon-gas
Tri-County Health Department
303.220.9200 Website: TCHD.org/282/Healthy-Homes
Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment
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