## **KEEP IT PEST AND CONTAMINANT FREE** Healthy Housing Solutions Inc.

## **HEALTH CONCERNS**

## **Pests Can**

- Trigger/cause asthma and allergies
- Contaminate food
- Lead people to overreact and ignore pesticide
- Transmit disease
- · Hitchhike in belongings





## **PESTICIDES CAN CAUSE:**

- Eye, nose, throat irritation
- Skin rashes, stomach cramps, nausea
- Central nervous system damage
- Kidney damage
- Increased risk of cancers











## INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT

- Keep them out and give them no place to hide
  - Change surrounding landscape
  - Block pest entries, passages, hiding places
- Reduce food availability
  - Practice proper food storage and disposal
  - No dirty dishes in the sink overnight
  - Clean crumbs, grease etc.
- Knock down population
  - Traps
  - · Appropriate pesticides







## PEST CONTROL • No spray and fogging for roaches • Monitoring pest populations and complaints • Reduce asthma triggers \*\*PROPERTY OF THE PROPERTY OF THE PROP





Contaminant	Health Issue
Lead and lead-based paint	learning difficulties, neurological problems
Environmental tobacco smoke	lung cancer, heart problems, SIDS
Radon	Lung cancer
Asbestos	cancer, mesothelioma
Volatile Organic Compounds	breathing issues, allergic reactions, headaches
Formaldehyde (a VOC)	respiratory issues, nasal cancer
Carbon monoxide	death, fatigue, headache



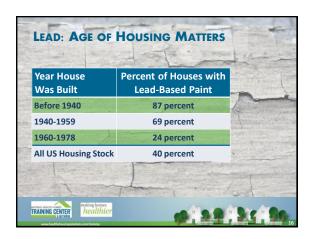


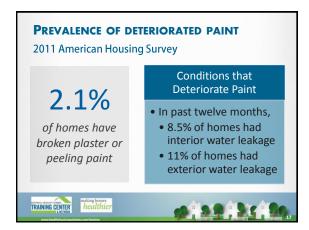
## WHY AVOID LEAD?

- Reduced IQ
- Learning disabilities
- Impaired hearing
- Reduced attention spans, behavior problems
- Anemia
- Kidney damage
- Damage to central nervous system
- Coma, convulsions, death











## EPA RRP RULE Renovation, Repair and Painting (RRP) Rule • Effective April 22, 2010 • Pre-1978 housing (target or child-occupied) • Triggers • 40 CFR 745.80 to 745.91 • April 22, 2008 Federal Register





## SUMMARY OF CHANGES FROM RRP

- "Certified Renovation Firm" Disturbs Paint
- "Certified Renovators" Supervise Work
- Mandatory Work Practices
- Post-renovation Cleaning Verification
- Documentation!



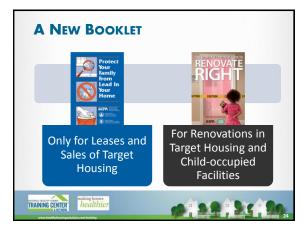


## **HOW CLEAN IS CLEAN?**

• Clearance testing is required for jobs receiving HUD funding and as the clients requests

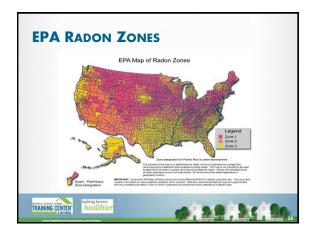


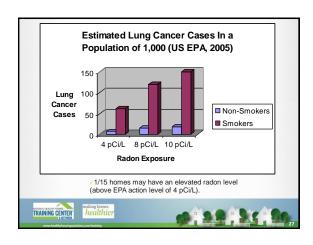




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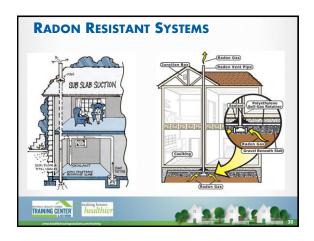




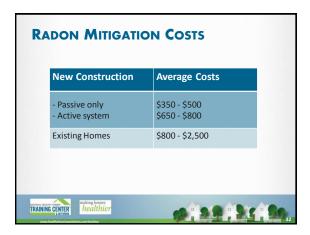


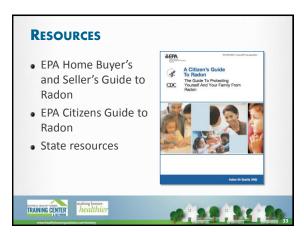


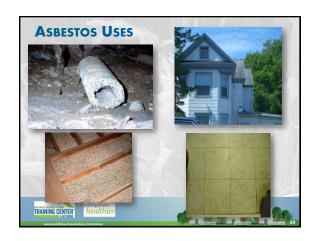


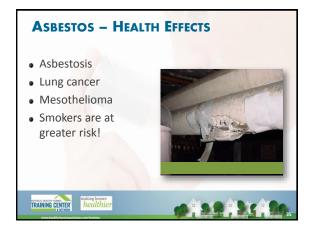










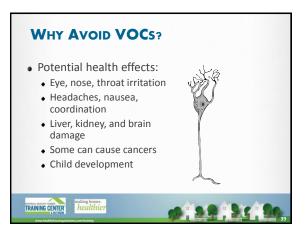




## VOLATILE ORGANIC COMPOUNDS EPA found concentration of VOC's to be 2-5 times greater in the home. During or immediately after paint stripping activities, VOC levels can be 1,000 times higher than outdoors.

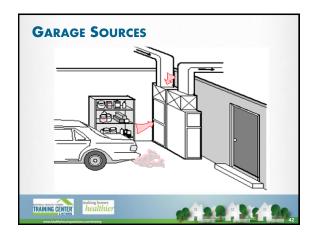
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## Air Fresheners Cleaning Products Sprays & Coatings Wood Products Carpets Vinyl Floors Hobbies Home Maintenance



Betentially Created	Possibly Brought in During	
Potentially Created	Work	
Lead Hazards	Cleaning Products	
Carbon Monoxide Hazards	Spray Foam	
Elevated Radon Levels	Paints, Coatings, Flooring	
Elevated Vocs & Formaldehydes When Homes Are Air Sealed	Pressed Wood Cabinets and Products - Renovation	
Spread Of Pest Droppings Or Molds During Air Sealing Or Insulation	Removal or Installation of Insulation	





## STEPS TO CONTROL VOCS

- Control the source
  - Avoid using products that contain VOCs
  - Use lower VOC options (i.e. paints)
  - Seal containers; store far from air intake
  - Remove unwanted products from home
- Ventilate
  - - Open doors and windows, run fans
- Seal between garage and home, avoid air handlers or duct work in garage





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## **THIRD-PARTY CERTIFICATIONS**

- Buildings
  - Green Communities www.greencommunitiesonline.org
  - Energy Star with Indoor Air Package www.energystar.gov
  - LEED for Homes www.usgbc.org/LEED/homes/
- Products and Services
  - Green Seal www.greenseal.org
  - EcoLogo www.ecologo.org
  - EPA's Design for the Environment www.epa.gov/dfe
  - GreenShield Certified (for pest control) www.greenshieldcertified.org







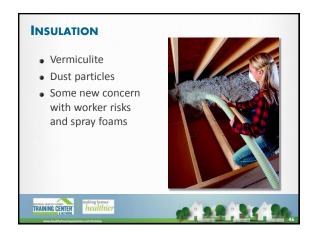
## **INDUSTRY STEWARDSHIP PROGRAMS**

- Understand the Motivations & Research the Options
- Examples
  - QualityPro Green for Pest Management www.qualityprogreen.org
  - Green Label for Carpet and Rugs www.carpet-rug.org
  - Environmental Stewardship Program for Kitchen Cabinet www.greencabinetsource.org
  - Ingredient Communications for Consumer Chemicals www.cspa.org/public/media/info/cpici.html
- Other Programs

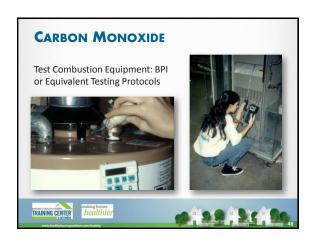




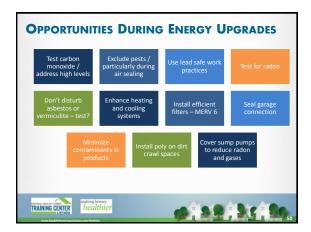


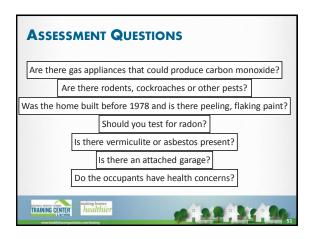






# Nemove unvented space heaters Secondary heat source allowed under WAP if meets ANSI Z21.11.2 TRANSPORTED SPACE HEATERS A Remove unvented space heaters The secondary heat source allowed under WAP if meets ANSI Z21.11.2





## YOU NEED TO PROTECT YOU: HEALTH RELATED WORK PRACTICES

- Safe spray foam use gloves, respirator etc.
- Work lead safe





## **WAP REQUIRED ACTIVITIES**

- Combustion safety testing and proper venting
- Lead Safe Work Practices and EPA RRP





## **WAP ELIGIBLE EXPENSES**

- Pest removal and exclusion where infestation would prevent weatherization
- CO alarms
- Radon testing, poly on dirt floors and other radon control precautions
- Unvented space heater removal, except secondary sources complaint with ANSI







EPA PROTOCOLS FOR ENERGY UPGRADES
Identify EPA minimum precautions
Identify EPA additional actions
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