

Radon Awareness Week 2022



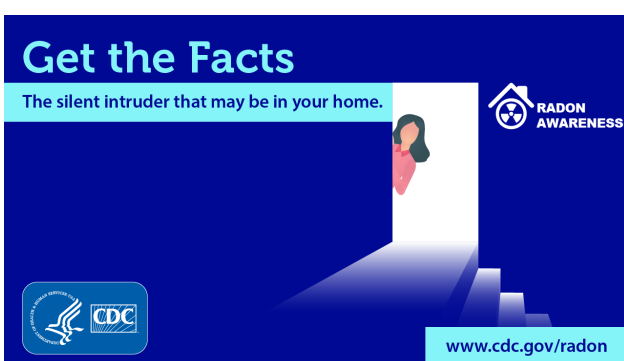
Radon is estimated to cause around 21,000 lung cancer deaths in the United States every year and is the second leading cause of lung cancer, according to the U.S Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Radon is a naturally occurring radioactive gas that can get trapped in homes and buildings and expose the people who live and work inside, increasing their risk of developing lung cancer later in life. This risk is even higher among those who smoke cigarettes.

The good news is that exposures to high levels of radon are preventable. CDC's 2022 Radon Awareness Week, observed on January 24-28, raises awareness about risks and encourages prevention by highlighting a different theme each day of the week. Partners are encouraged to use the social media messages below and include the hashtag #RadonAwarenessWeek.

Environmental Nexus Webinar for Radon Awareness Week

This special webinar will broadcast on Monday, January 24, from 1:00-2:00 p.m. ET via Zoom. To register for this event, please visit [Webinar Registration - Zoom \(zoomgov.com\)](#). Closed captioning will be available.

Visit the Environmental Health Nexus [website](#) for more details.



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Monday

Radon is an odorless and invisible radioactive gas released from rocks, soil, and water. Radon can get into your home and build up. Over time breathing in high radon levels can cause lung cancer. Learn more: <https://bit.ly/2S9itPT> #RadonAwarenessWeek

Radon is an odorless and invisible radioactive gas that can get into your home. Test your home for radon and take actions to reduce high radon levels to prevent lung cancer. <https://bit.ly/3wI1DZK> #RadonAwarenessWeek



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Tuesday

Radon causes about 21,000 lung cancer deaths each year, according to the #EPA. Smoking & radon exposure increases the risk of lung cancer. Call 1-800-QUIT-NOW for help quitting smoking. Lower radon risks: <https://bit.ly/3wI1DZK> #RadonAwarenessWeek

After smoking, #radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer in the United States. Nearly 1 out of 15 homes has high radon levels. Learn more: <https://bit.ly/2S9itPT> #RadonAwarenessWeek



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Wednesday

Any home, new or old, in any state, can have high levels of radon. Radon can cause lung cancer. Check out data on testing and radon levels for most states: <https://bit.ly/3CjMrSb> [↗](#) #RadonAwarenessWeek

Your home could have high levels of radon, putting you and your family at risk for lung cancer. Contact your state radiation control program for resources on testing and radon reduction: <https://bit.ly/3qlyTNS> [↗](#) #RadonAwarenessWeek

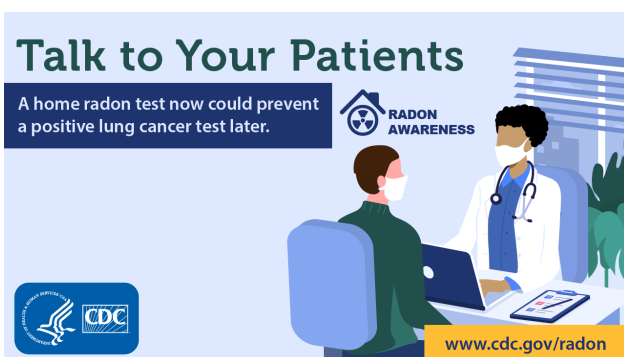


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Thursday

Radon is a natural gas that can build up inside any building and can cause lung cancer. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recommends testing all schools for radon. Learn more: <https://bit.ly/3kKVfAX> [↗](#) #RadonAwarenessWeek

Teachers can educate kids about #radon with resources from the #EPA. Kids can take home what they learn and may even help protect their families from lung cancer. <https://bit.ly/3wQH77E> [↗](#) #RadonAwarenessWeek



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Friday

Healthcare providers: Ask if your patients have tested their homes for radon and share information about the risks and prevention. View new guidance for healthcare providers from the Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors: <https://bit.ly/3CjD84F> [↗](#) #RadonAwarenessWeek

Healthcare providers: Radon can cause lung cancer in anyone. If your patient smokes, it is even more important to make sure they are aware of the risks of #radon. Provide your patients with information. <https://bit.ly/3CjD84F> [↗](#) #RadonAwarenessWeek

Keep an eye out for other resources and activities in observance of Radon Awareness Week and [subscribe here](#) to the Radiation and Health Newsletter.