



# PREVENTION

## The best ways to prevent radon exposure are:

- If your home or apartment has not been tested for radon, perform a radon test in accordance with the EPA method. Radon test devices, including analysis, are available from the NYS Department of Health Center for Environmental Health for \$11.00.
- If radon levels are greater than 4 picocuries per liter (pCi/l), then a radon mitigation system should be installed and retesting performed to determine if it achieved the required radon reduction. Radon mitigation techniques vary depending on the home foundation construction type, slab on grade, crawl space or full basement. The EPA website provides guidance on the proper mitigation for each construction type.
- If radon levels are greater than 2 pCi/l but less than 4 pCi/l, EPA recommends that radon mitigation steps be taken to lower radon concentrations as low as possible.
- If radon levels are less than 2 pCi/l then no action is necessary.
- To achieve the best results, use a certified radon mitigation contractor. NYS DOH does not have a certification program but has a list of contractors certified by nationally recognized organizations.

## For more information and resources visit:

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