Radon Causes Lung Cancer!

Radon is the leading cause of lung cancer in nonsmokers and the second leading cause of lung cancer in general. For smokers, the risk of developing lung cancer is increased dramatically if they also are exposed to excess radon. Lung and bronchus cancers are the number-one cause of cancer-related fatalities in Somerset County. Radon does not cause any immediate symptoms, such as asthma or respiratory problems. The risk of developing lung cancer is the only known health effect.

- Radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer in humans.
- According to the U.S. EPA, radon is the leading cause of lung cancer for non-smokers.
- Lung cancer has one of the lowest cancer survival rates.
- Radon is responsible for about 21,000 lung cancer deaths each year.
  - About 1/7 of deaths occur in people who have never smoked.

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Radon-caused Lung cancer can Be prevented!

Protect your family and home from radon by conducting a Radon Test.
Radon Testing Kits may be purchased from the Warren Health Commission for $10.

Town Hall,
46 Mountain Boulevard, Warren, NJ

Limited quantities available.

For further information contact:
Kevin G. Sumner, Health Officer/Director
Middle-Brook Health Commission

- The Radon Section holds outreach activities to educate the public on the harm of radon and how homes can be protected.
  - Activities include: slide presentations on radon awareness, exhibits and conventions
- Information for the public on testing procedures and mitigation techniques is offered at (800) 648-0394.
  - Free Information packets are available upon request.
- According to NJ state laws, all company-conducted radon testing and mitigations must be D.E.P. certified.
- Contractors conduct diagnostic tests to evaluate how to prevent/limit radon contamination
  - Ex. Soil suction draws the radon beneath a home and releases it through a pipe to the air above the house where it is diluted.

Consumer's Guide to Radon Reduction
http://www.epa.gov/radon/pubs/consguid.html#reductiontech

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