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PRESS RELEASE

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Marquette County Health Department Offers FREE Radon Test Kits throughout January

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January is National Radon Action Month – an opportune time for residents to test for radon in their homes.

The US Centers for Disease Control (CDC) estimates that exposure to radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer in the United States.

Radon is tasteless, odorless, colorless gas that enters your home through the building foundation. Radon occurs naturally during the decay of uranium in soil and rock.

Heating during the winter months can increase the level of radon in your home, making January a good time to test for radon.

Testing is the only way to know if you and your family are at risk for health issues caused by radon.

The Marquette County Health Department (MCHD) is offering **free short-term radon test kits through January 31st**. Test kits are available at the Environmental Health Division office, located at 184 US 41 East, Negaunee, MI.

Radon test kits are also available for purchase at local hardware stores, home improvement centers, or directly from a laboratory. For more radon information, contact MCHD at (906) 475-4195, or the State of Michigan Radon Program at 1-800-RADON-GAS.

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