

New Requirement: Radon Testing for Child Care Facilities

Has your child care facility been tested for radon? The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment's (CDPHE) Rules and Regulations Governing the Health and Sanitation of Child Care Facilities now require radon testing to be completed by May 1, 2017, if your facility was licensed before January 14, 2016.



If your facility was licensed after January 14, 2016, you have 6 months after the building is occupied to test. While family child care home providers do not follow the health and sanitation regulations, they are still encouraged to test their homes, especially if care is provided in the basement or on the main level of the home.

Between October and April is the ideal time to test for radon and the deadline to test your facility is coming soon. There are two different options for testing:

1. You can have a certified professional complete the test. A list of radon measurement contractors can be found [here](#).
2. You can do the testing yourself. Click [here](#) for additional information on testing guidance, low-cost test kits, and free training opportunities.

Did you know that several local public health agencies, cities, and Colorado State University Extension are offering assistance to child care providers with radon testing? Some agencies are completing radon testing, some are offering free radon test kits, and others are offering training opportunities to assist child care providers. Click [here](#) to find out if there are resources available in your area.

Should you have any questions please contact your local health department or the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment at 303-692-3645.