



Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors, Inc. (CRCPCD)

E-25 Working Group AND National Radon Action Plan (NRAP)

Region 3 Stakeholder Meeting

Hershey, PA

Tuesday September 26, 2023

Denise Bleiler, Committee Member E-25

A Partnership Dedicated to Radiation Protection

CRCPD Purpose

- To provide a common forum for the exchange of information among State and local radiation control programs.
- To provide a mechanism for States to communicate with the federal government on radiation protection issues.
- To encourage and support programs that will contribute to radiation control for all.
- To promote and foster uniformity of radiation control laws and regulations both nationally and internationally.

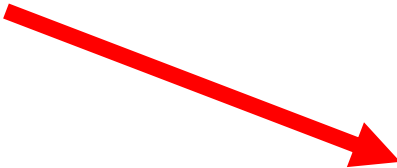
CRCPD E-25 Committee on Radon

- **Joshua Kerber, Chairperson****, Minnesota
- Chrystine Kelley, Colorado
- Eleanor Divver, Utah
- Denise Bleiler, Pennsylvania
- Brian Giancola, New Jersey
- Leslie Smith, Michigan
- Brandy Toft, Tribal Representative
- John Yowell, EPA

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E-25 Committee on Radon

May 2022



Chairperson: **Joshua Kerber (MN) 06/13**
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Continuous Working Group (Rotation required annually, last rotation 4/22)

Members		Advisors	
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Resource Individuals			
EPA	John Yowell	CDC	Michele Monti
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Notes and Comments			
* Melinda Lewis (IL) last name change to Enstrom.			

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Charges:

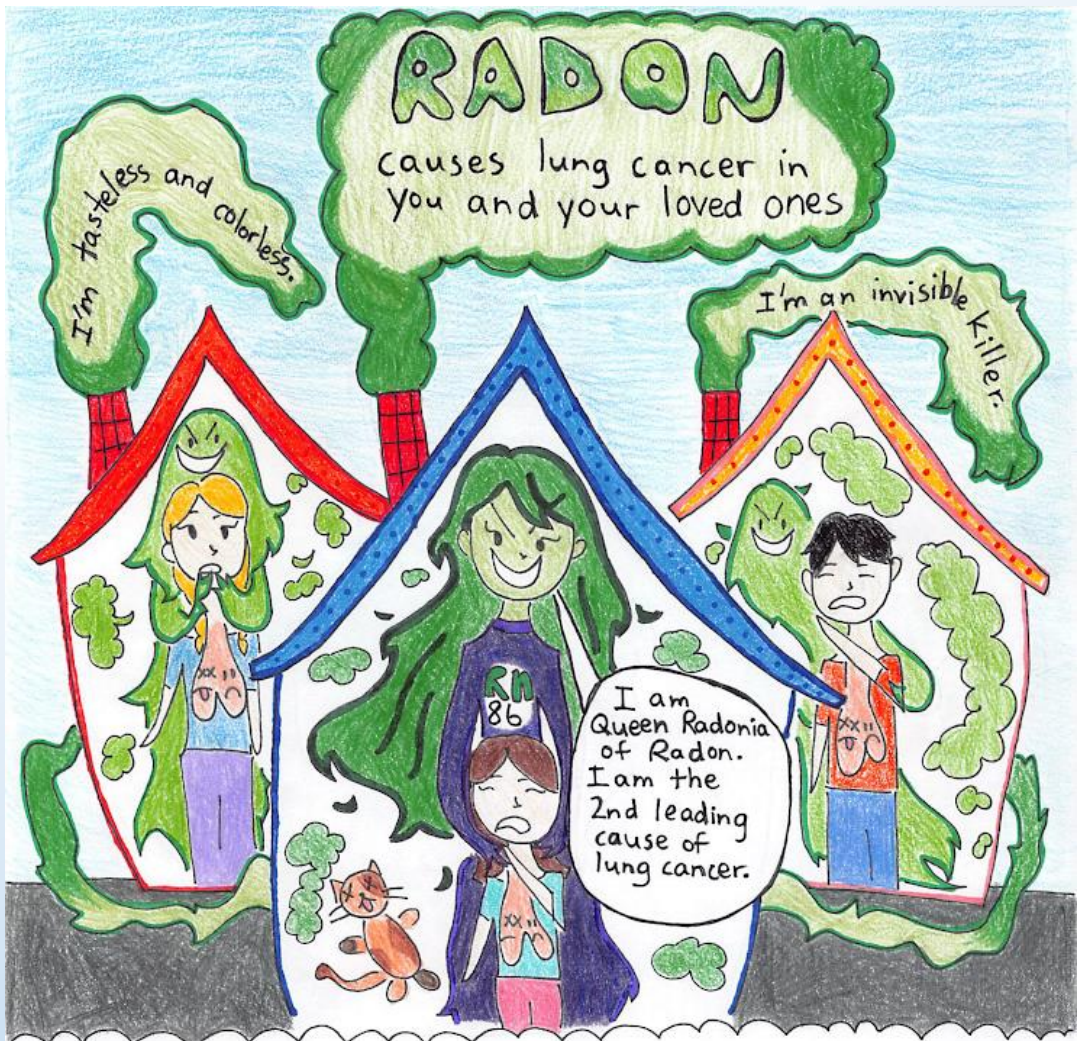
1. Review and comment, as resources are available, on draft and existing publications, standards, and policies. [G2 - O1, O2]
2. Plan the agenda and assist in the coordination of the National Radon Training Event. [G3 -O3, O4] [G2-O1, O2]
3. To provide liaison for CRCPD with the American Association of Radon Scientists and Technologists (AARST). [G5 - O1, O2, O3]
4. Develop and provide technical training to support state radon activities in conjunction with the National Radon Training Event, and as needed. [G3-O1, O3]
5. Coordinate the judging of the National Radon Poster and Video Contest. [G2 – O2] [G5 –O2]
6. Maintain an email distribution list of state and tribal radon contacts.

Note: When a Letter/Number combination appears in brackets after a charge, it denotes how the charge links to CRCPD's Goals and Objectives, as listed in [CRCPD's Strategic Plan](#).

If interested in serving on this working group, contact the Chairperson at Joshua.kerber@state.mn.us

CRCPD Radon Activities

- Planning Nashville, TN meeting agenda now
 - October 30 – November 1
 - State and Tribal Track at International Radon Symposium: <https://aarst.org/symposium/>
- Selected 2023 Radon Hero Award Recipient
 - Dr. Phil Jenkins
- Conducted the National Radon Poster and Video contests: radonleaders.org



First Place -
Alaska

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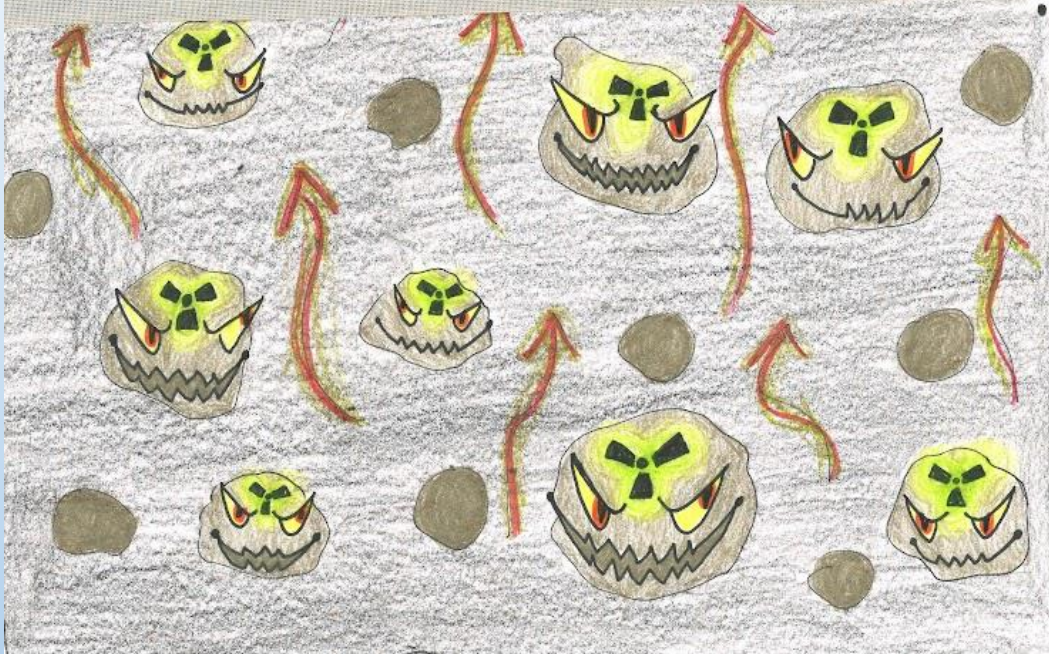


Second Place –
Iowa

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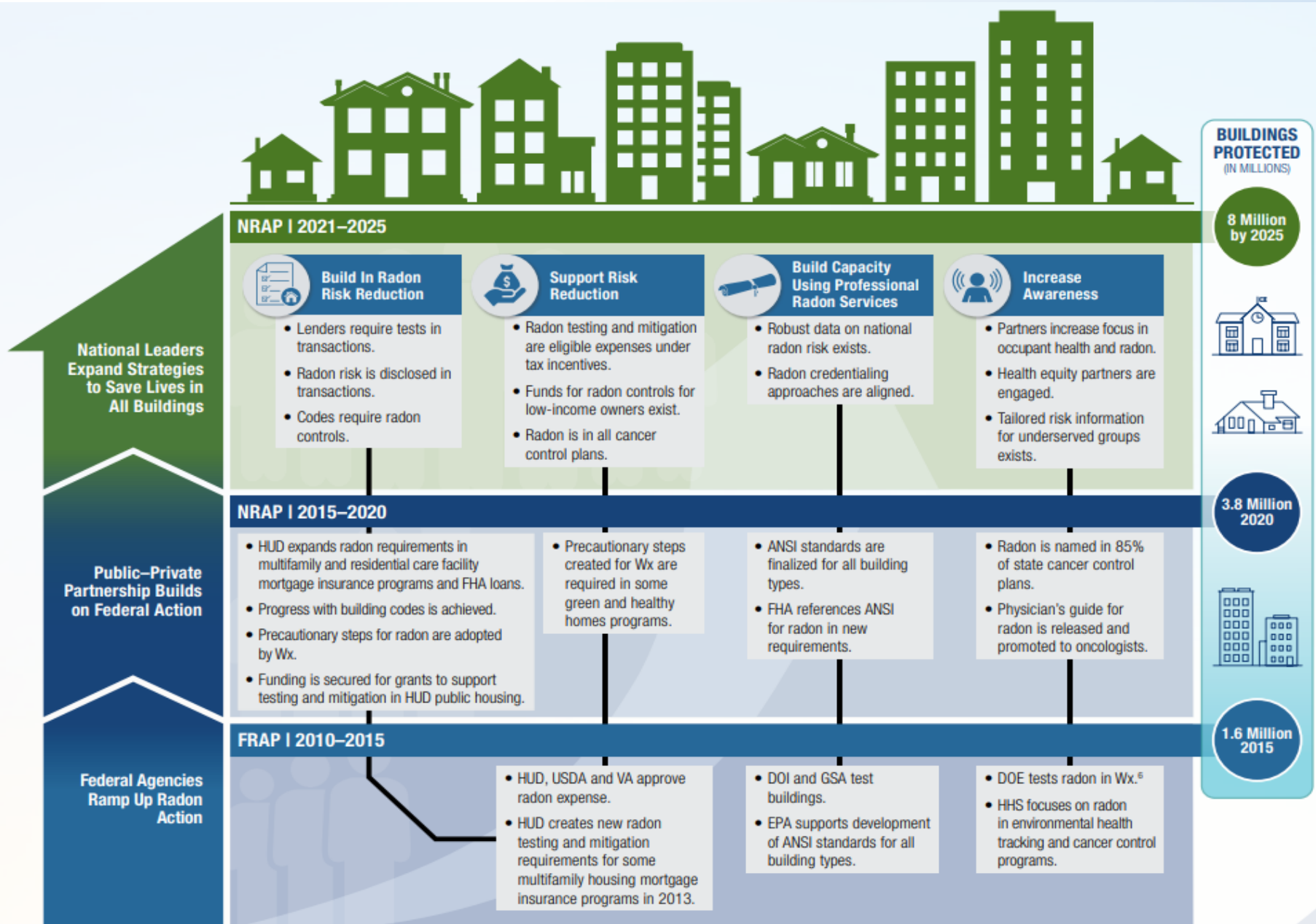
GET YOUR HOUSE TESTED FOR RADON



Third Place-
Colorado

CRCPD Radon Activities

- Submitted Public Comments:
 - Federal Housing and Finance Agency (FHFA)
 - Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
 - EPA Proposed Radon Credentialing Criteria
- **National Radon Action Plan (NRAP) goal areas**



★ Please see page 3 for a list of acronyms found in this graphic.

Organizations Participating

- **ALA - AARST - EPA - HUD - CRCPD - CDC**
- **ARRST Foundation**
- American Society of Home Inspectors - **ASHI**
- **CanSAR**
- Children's Environmental Health Network- **CEHN**
- Citizens for Radioactive Radon Reduction- **CR3**
- Environmental Law Institute – **ELI**
- National Center for Healthy Housing - **NCHH**
- National Tribal Air Association - **NTAA**

NRAP 2021-2025 Goal Areas

- Goal 1: *Build in Radon Risk Reduction*
- Goal 2: *Support Radon Risk Reduction*
- Goal 3: *Build Capacity to Test and Mitigate Using Professional Radon Services*
- Goal 4: *Increase Awareness of Radon Risk and Control Strategies*

TABLE 1. NRAP | 2021–25: STRATEGIES FOR EXPANDING PROTECTIONS FOR ALL BUILDINGS

GOAL AREA	NRAP STRATEGIES, 2021–25	OUTCOMES WE SEEK
Build In Radon Risk Reduction	1.1 Embed comprehensive radon notification and health risk warning statements, and radon test result disclosure, in real estate sales and rental transactions.	Prospective buyers, tenants and loan borrowers receive and acknowledge receipt of information that equips them to take self-protective actions, including obtaining radon testing and mitigation.
	1.2 Work with government, quasi-governmental and private sector lending entities to adopt radon testing and mitigation requirements.	Lending entities require radon testing and mitigation in all residential, educational and commercial buildings.
	1.3 Promote radon control requirements for new construction within building codes and standards.	State and local building codes require that buildings be built to allow for radon control.
	1.4 Seek local, state and federal policies and codes that require all existing buildings to be tested for radon and mitigated as needed.	Building owners and managers, employers, and school districts ensure that the radon levels in their buildings are protective of occupant health.
Support Radon Risk Reduction	2.1 Increase access to government-backed and other sources of housing financing for property owners of low-income housing to cover radon testing and mitigation.	Property owners are able to obtain financing for radon testing and mitigation in low-income housing from new and existing funding sources.
	2.2 Support establishment of tax incentives to cover radon mitigation costs.	Tax incentives exist that increase voluntary radon testing and mitigation.
	2.3 Increase radon testing and as-needed mitigation by local, state and tribal programs that conduct physical upgrades of existing housing.	Radon testing and mitigation is routinely addressed by housing rehabilitation, home repair, energy upgrade, weatherization and similar programs.
	2.4 Support state cancer control programs to include radon indicators and interventions.	All state cancer control programs include radon risk-reduction interventions in their primary prevention strategies for lung cancer.
Build Capacity to Test and Mitigate Using Professional Radon Services	3.1 Expand the scope and usability of radon testing data in the National Environmental Public Health Tracking Network by increasing the number of participating states and laboratories.	Decision-makers nationwide have access to a robust national data set for use in characterizing radon exposures, quantifying risk reduction actions and informing a research agenda.
	3.2 Continue to promote adherence to consensus standards for testing, mitigating and measurement device accuracy.	Quality professional standards to support the effectiveness of radon services are widely recognized, disseminated and adopted.
	3.3 Support issuance and implementation of a federal framework to align private and state radon credentialing programs.	A clear standard of quality for assessing radon service provider competencies and skills is widely recognized and adopted, and credentialing programs are more consistent in standards and practices used to license and certify service providers.
	3.4 Promote the adoption of radon credentialing by states that do not currently regulate radon service providers.	Radon testing, mitigation and laboratory services nationwide are provided by credentialed professionals.
	3.5 Expand the availability of credentialed radon practitioners through the training and certification of qualified professionals.	Credentialed radon professionals are available nationwide to meet increasing demand.
Increase Awareness of Radon Risk and Control Strategies	4.1 Promote integration of radon into coordinated messaging to decision-makers about health risks in housing, schools and workplaces.	Decision-makers with responsibility for occupant health in housing, schools and workplaces include radon risk reduction in their policies and practices.
	4.2 Promote radon awareness through nontraditional radon stakeholders—including clinical, health equity, social service and faith-based organizations—through consistent outreach using targeted materials.	Nontraditional radon stakeholders educate and equip their constituents to take radon risk-reduction action.
	4.3 Tailor effective radon messaging to underserved racial, ethnic and low-income populations.	Culturally competent information about radon risk reduction is available to underserved racial, ethnic and low-income groups.

Please help us reach our goals
Pick up a graphic and list of members
Questions?
Thank you.

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