



# *The Environmental Health Publisher*

Keeping you in the Lead, Radon & Healthy Homes loop

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**Lead, Radon and Healthy Homes Semi-annual Meeting**

**September 26, 2019**

**Meriden Public Library**

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# The Built Environment and Health



Above: Alexandria, VA

Life Expectancy, 81.7 years

Where do you want to live?

Right: Clairton, PA

Life expectancy, 78.5 years



Photos credit: Elizabeth Wiley

As we work to make our populations healthier, we must keep in mind that societal structures, such as the built environment, greatly impact the health of community members. Today there are several organizations that are collaborating with a wide array of partners, including public health, to remove barriers, and create communities where healthy choices are easy and available to all. To learn more about tackling health at the community level click on the links below and see what others are doing.

[The Built Environment and Health](#)

[Social Determinants of Health](#)

[Read how unstable, unsafe housing harms children.](#)

[Find what your zip code may tell you about life expectancy](#)

# A New Wizard is Available

**Event Summary**

Basic Information		Notes (Add/Edit   Sho
Event ID:	102091608	
External ID:	102091608	
Event Type:	Non-EBLL Property	
Name:	<a href="#">555 Get Otta Here Place, Waterbury, CT 06710 *</a>	
Address:	<a href="#">555 Get Otta Here Place, Waterbury, CT 06710 (Edit)</a>	
Dates:	Create Date: 04/08/2019	
Investigation Status:	Open	
Linked Events:	0 linked event(s) ( <a href="#">View</a> )	
Attachments:	0 attachment(s) ( <a href="#">Add</a> )	
Additional Information:	<b>Workflow Status (1)</b> Event is in workflows ( <a href="#">View List</a> )	

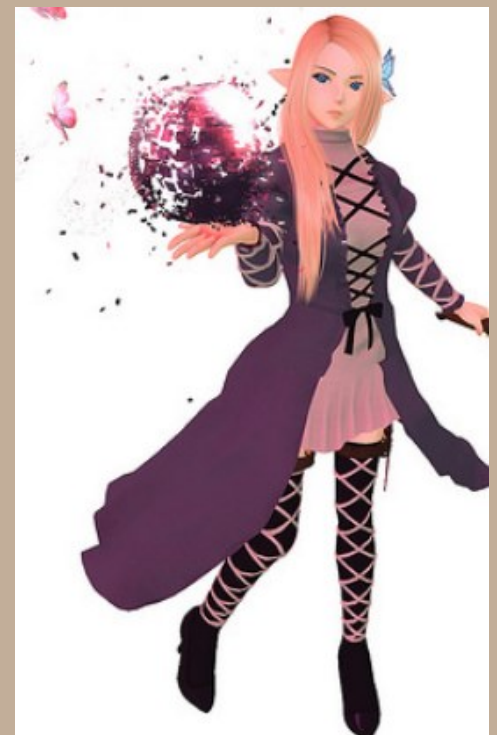
[Edit Event Properties](#) [Copy Case](#)

[Event Data](#) [Lab Results](#) [Concerns](#) [Property Information](#) [Tasks](#) [Event Properties](#) [Event His](#)

Question Packages		
Question Package	Name	Last Update
Administrative	<a href="#">555 Get Otta Here Place, Waterbury, CT 06710 *</a>	04/08/2019
Property Information	<a href="#">555 Get Otta Here Place, Waterbury, CT 06710 *</a>	04/08/2019
Environmental Lead Inspection	<a href="#">555 Get Otta Here Place, Waterbury, CT 06710 *</a>	04/08/2019
Lead Hazards	<a href="#">555 Get Otta Here Place, Waterbury, CT 06710 *</a>	04/08/2019
Lead Remediation & Abatement	<a href="#">555 Get Otta Here Place, Waterbury, CT 06710 *</a>	04/08/2019

[View Question Package](#) Wizards [Property Case Data Entry Wizard](#) [View Wizard](#)

We have created a new question package wizard to help with entering environmental data into Maven. The wizard was created for Property and Non-EBLL Property cases in the Lead Surveillance System and is similar to the one that is available for Blood Lead – Child cases. This new wizard is called “Property Case Data Entry Wizard.” This wizard allows for ease of data entry by allowing one to enter data all on one screen instead of having to click on each of the individual question packages to enter the respective data. This function is available by selecting the wizard as seen above and clicking the “View Wizard” button. Try it out and let us know what you think.



# Healthy Homes Coalition



**Every Connecticut resident has the right to live in  
a healthy and safe home environment!**

Currently, partners from community hospitals, local health departments and state agencies are working to advance Healthy Home programs, initiatives and activities across the state...but more assistance is needed.

**Help make our communities a healthy and safe place to live for all of us by joining  
one of the Healthy Home Coalition Workgroups.**

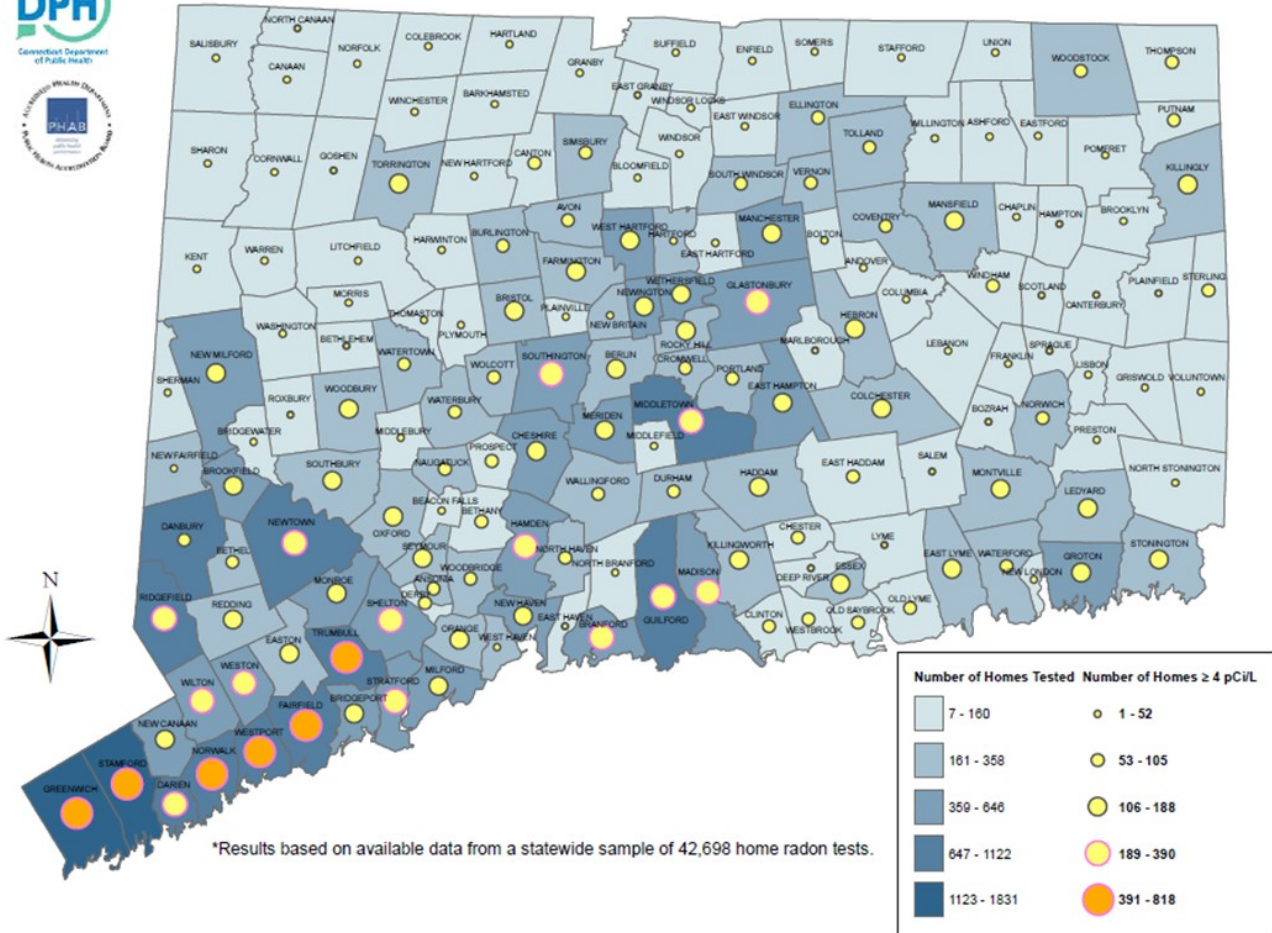
Next meeting:

Monday, May 6, 2019 at Meriden Public Library

2:00— 3:30 pm

# Radon Program

## CT Residential Radon Testing Data 1990 - 2018



\*Results based on available data from a statewide sample of 42,698 home radon tests.

As part of radon action month, DPH's Radon Program set up an information table in the Legislative Office Building. Legislators, legislative staff and visitors could find information about the radon program and see the winners of the radon poster contest.



## New Staff

My name is Manish Watts. I am a Physician from India with widespread training and education in the field of medicine and public health. I always believed that the world of Medicine is intertwined with the world of public health. The passion of public health led me towards pursuing a Master of Public Health from Southern Connecticut State University. I graduated from the program in 2016. I consider myself immensely fortunate having gotten to work on the Environmental Health



Training Program (EHTP) from start of my graduate program (2014); first as a graduate assistant and later as the program assistant. EHTP introduced me to various facets of public health that impacts the health of the population and I am very positive that it will help me with my current job at DPH as an Epidemiologist.

I have a beautiful wife and an angelic daughter. I love working out and I am a big soccer fan.

Looking forward to working with the wonderful team at DPH.

### 2019 LIRA Refresher Courses Still Open

#### April 24

Stratford Health Dept.  
468 Birdseye St. Stratford

#### May 2

Sessions Woods  
341 Milford Street (Rt. 69), Burlington

#### May 9

Sessions Woods  
341 Milford Street (Rt. 69), Burlington

To register for one of the open courses, go to  
[https://www.train.org/connecticut/course/1032694/live\\_event](https://www.train.org/connecticut/course/1032694/live_event)

# Lead Testing Posters



**All children  
by age 2**

...must be  
**tested  
for lead**

...by their doctors.  
**It's the law.**

Talk to your child's doctor  
or contact the Connecticut Lead  
Poisoning Prevention and Control  
Program at (860) 509-7299.

   
[www.ct.gov/dph/lead](http://www.ct.gov/dph/lead)  
860-509-7299

#1. Poster in English



**Todo niño  
a los de 2 años**

...deberá someterse  
**a la prueba  
de plomo en  
la sangre**

...indicada por el médico.  
**Es la ley.**

Hable con el médico de su niño o  
comuníquese con Connecticut Lead  
Poisoning Prevention and Control  
al (860) 509-7299.

   
[www.ct.gov/dph/lead](http://www.ct.gov/dph/lead)  
860-509-7299

#2. Poster in Spanish

To order posters, email Jim Vannoy at [jim.vannoy@ct.gov](mailto:jim.vannoy@ct.gov) with your request.



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