

**RADON PROGRAM**  
**Updates**

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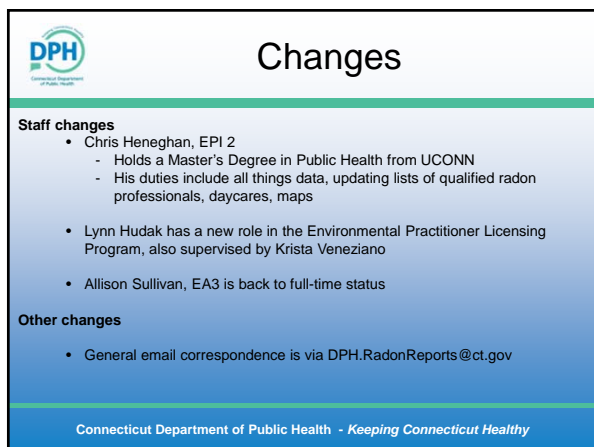
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**Changes**

**Staff changes**

- Chris Heneghan, EPI 2
  - Holds a Master's Degree in Public Health from UCONN
  - His duties include all things data, updating lists of qualified radon professionals, daycares, maps
- Lynn Hudak has a new role in the Environmental Practitioner Licensing Program, also supervised by Krista Veneziano
- Allison Sullivan, EA3 is back to full-time status

**Other changes**

- General email correspondence is via [DPH.RadonReports@ct.gov](mailto:DPH.RadonReports@ct.gov)

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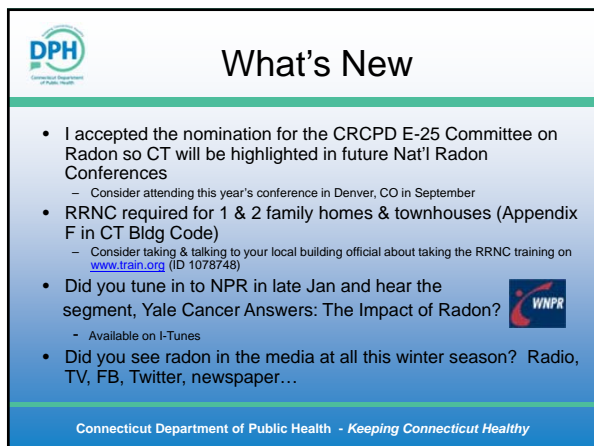
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**What's New**

- I accepted the nomination for the CRCPD E-25 Committee on Radon so CT will be highlighted in future Nat'l Radon Conferences
  - Consider attending this year's conference in Denver, CO in September
- RRNC required for 1 & 2 family homes & townhouses (Appendix F in CT Bldg Code)
  - Consider taking & talking to your local building official about taking the RRNC training on [www.train.org](http://www.train.org) (ID 1078748)
- Did you tune in to NPR in late Jan and hear the segment, Yale Cancer Answers: The Impact of Radon? 
  - Available on I-Tunes
- Did you see radon in the media at all this winter season? Radio, TV, FB, Twitter, newspaper...

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## More Updates

Radon measurement and mitigation in CT Public Schools regs still in the works (takes time...)

Consider joining the Radon team in the  Lung Force Walk in East Hartford on June 2 at 9:30am.

Check out the new WAR campaign on the CanSAR website

*Women Against Radon (WAR) is dynamic campaign to raise awareness about the danger of radon among the most influential members of our communities: Women. Through sheer numbers, as well as their impact on the health and welfare of their families and their communities, women can – and will – win the War Against Radon.*

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## 2019 Radon Challenge

 (Survivors Against Radon) is an organization dedicated to preventing radon-induced lung cancer and saving lives through advocacy, awareness, and outreach.  
<http://www.cansar.org/>

Rachael Malmberg, President of CanSAR and radon-induced lung cancer survivor, is issuing her Radon Challenge so that others will avoid her experience. Save your life and the lives of those you love. Accept Rachael's Radon Challenge at:  
[radon.com/challenge](http://radon.com/challenge)  
(Challenge extended into March)

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## 2019 Local Health Partner Map

Circular letter distributed in Oct

Deadline of Nov 30, 2018



34 LHD partners

2000 test kits distributed in more than 112 CT towns

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## 2019 Local Health Partnerships

- CT DPH no longer giving out free test kits during NRAM
  - Community distribution of test kits to our 34 LHD partners and other partners instead
  - Test kits are from AirChek  and RTCA 
    - No more dups & blanks to worry about
    - Radon results will go to resident directly
    - DPH will get the results in a monthly report that **can be shared by written request**
  - Though the DPH lab will still analyze the LS vials you may still have, no more will be given to LHDs
    - If you still have some, remember to add postage since USPS rates have changed since the envelopes were stamped
    - The lab can also analyze radon in water for LHDs and provide sample bottles by request
- Radon test kit return rate data will be compiled and shared monthly with partners
- If you haven't partnered with us, please consider it for next year...

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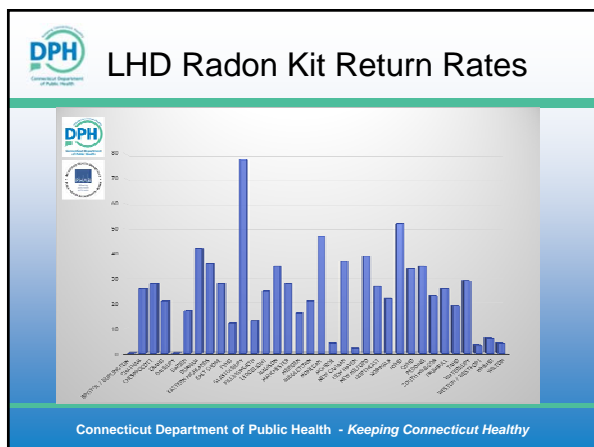
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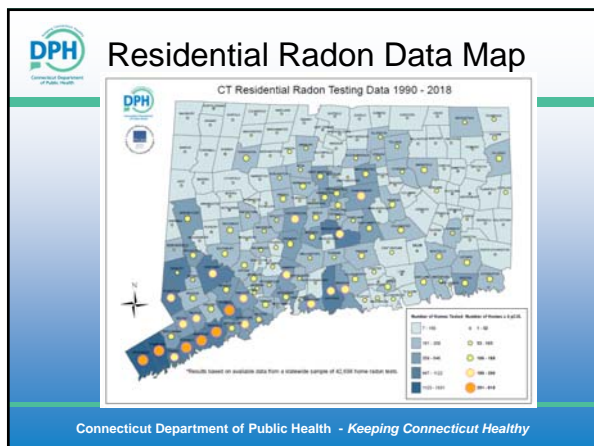
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 **2018/2019 Poster Contest**

**CT State Radon Poster Contest**

- Starts in September with notification to schools
- Judged in December by EHS staff
- Awarded in January with Amazon gift cards
- Winning posters and a sample from each participating school is displayed in the 2019 Radon Calendar which is distributed to every participant and teacher
- Select posters hang in the LOB concourse for two weeks in Jan
- First prize poster gets submitted to national radon contest and usually the local paper highlights the project and winner in January
- When possible, posters and students are highlighted at our half day radon conference in Jan
- Consider joining this outreach project in your community schools
  - Talk to Maura or Kate at Chesprocott, our only partner in this fun project
  - We have template presentations/lesson plans to share

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 **LOB Display in January**



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 **First Place Winner**



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 **Second Place Winner**



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 **Third Place Winner**



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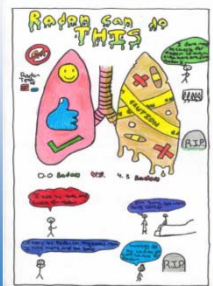
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 **Honorable Mention Winner**



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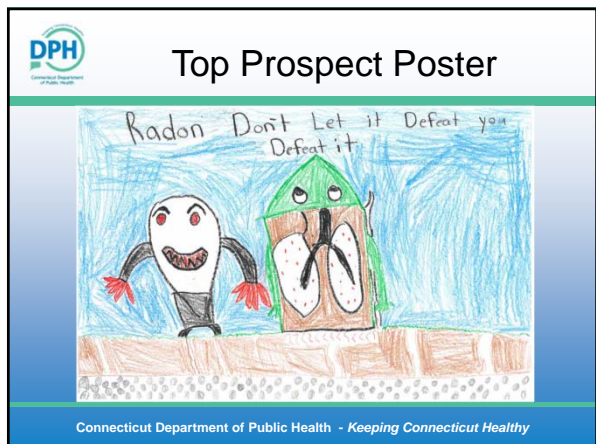
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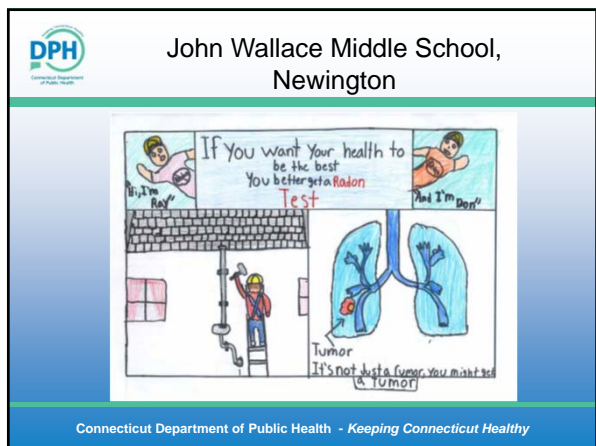
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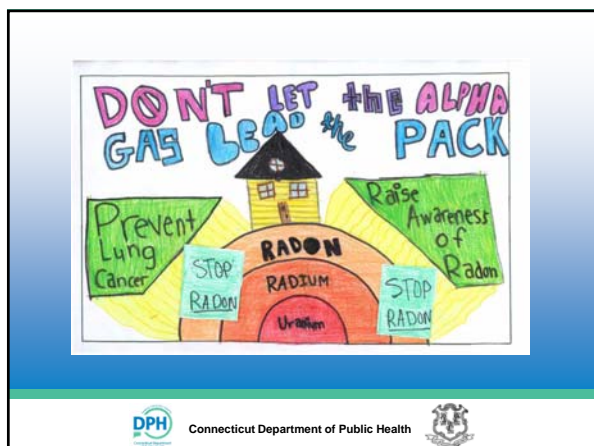
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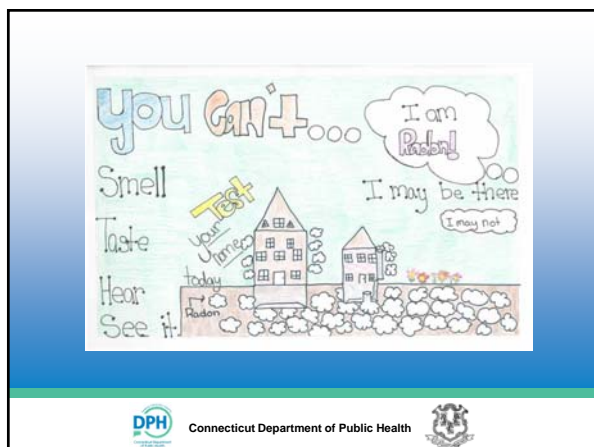
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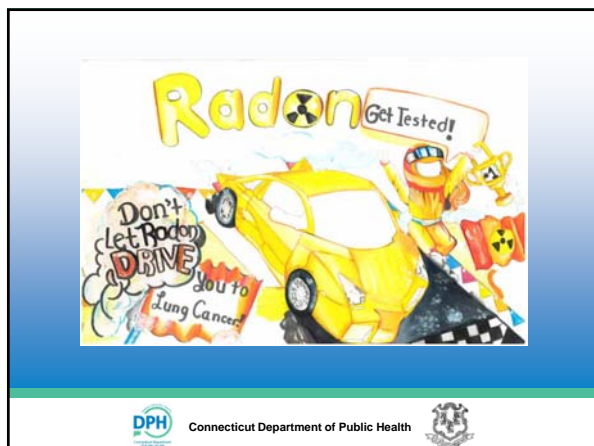
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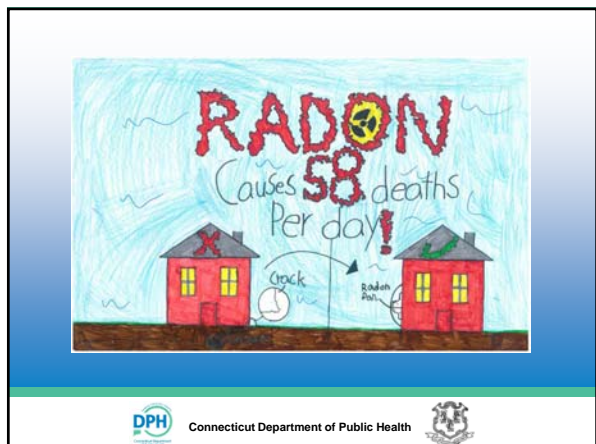
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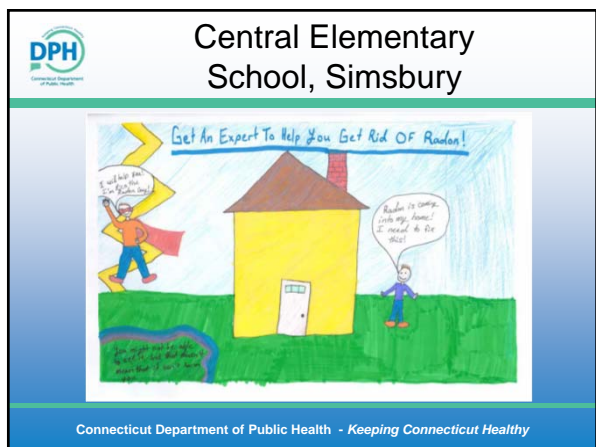
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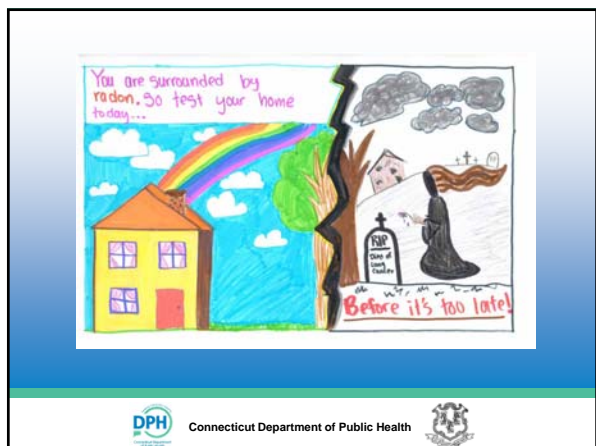
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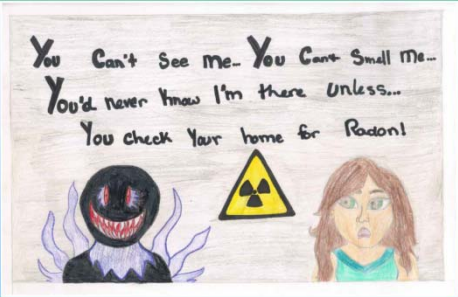
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 Wheeler Middle School, N. Stonington

You Can't See Me... You Can't Smell Me...  
You'd never know I'm there unless...  
You check your home for Radon!



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*The Radon Program appreciates the work of its local health partners...*

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