

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND SAFETY COURSES

Healthy Homes for Community Health Workers

Length: 1 day (7 hours)

Who Should Take This Course: The Healthy Homes for Community Health Workers course is intended for individuals who work as health advocates in their communities, whether they are community health workers, health educators, public health nurses, cooperative extension agents, or social workers.

Course Description: This course trains CHWs to deliver one-on-one and large group education on healthy homes, provide advice about specific healthy homes problems, and be able to recommend healthy homes approaches to be taken by families, landlords and other community members. Participants will gain insight into how housing and health are related along with actions they can take to improve the health of their clients by identifying causes of health problems in a home and linking them to the seven principles of healthy housing: keep it dry; keep it clean; keep it pest-free; keep it ventilated; keep it safe, keep it contaminant-free; and keep it maintained.

CEUs: This course has been approved for 6 contact hours by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

Prerequisites: None

Cost: \$30

Code Inspection for Healthier Homes

Length: 1 day (6 hours)

Who Should Take This Course: Health and housing advocates, home inspectors, landlords, Code Administrative Staff, Code Enforcement, housing inspectors and realtors.

Course Description: The Code Inspection for Healthier Homes course is a one-day course for code inspectors. Participants learn about the prevalence of common housing maintenance problems from data based on the American Housing Survey. This course also provides information on the health-related provisions of state and local housing codes and the

international Property Maintenance Code (IPMC). Participants also learn about the strengths and weaknesses of various enforcement strategies on resident health.

CEUs: The American Association of Code Enforcement approves 0.6 CEUs for Code Enforcement Officers and Zoning Professionals. Approval is valid through April 1, 2017.

Cost: \$45

Seven Keys To a Healthy Home

Length: 90 minutes

Who Should Take This Course: Homeowners and renters

Course Description: This 90-minute presentation introduces homeowners and renters to the seven principles of a healthy home. We will highlight common hazards found in homes and apartments and discuss how these indoor issues affect the health of children and adults.

Issues covered include: This interactive workshop will help participants explore low-cost solutions for eliminating these hazards through group discussion and the use of an instructional DVD. This work-shop is especially useful for families who have children with asthma or for residents of older homes or apartments.

Cost: Free

Eco-Healthy Child Care Course

Length: 1 day (5 hours)

Who Should Take This Course: Child care professionals, including: child care trainers, child care licensing staff, and child care health consultants.

Course Description: The 5-hour Eco-Healthy Child-Care[®] Train the Trainer (TtT) Curriculum offers information on 11 core content areas: pesticides, poor air quality, household chemicals, lead, mercury, furniture and carpets, art supplies, plastics, arsenic, radon and recycling. In each content category the TtT prepares individuals to become an Eco-Healthy Child-Care resource for their localized communities. Thus, child care providers have a local contact that can provide training and technical assistance and offer direction to helpful resources pertaining to children's environmental health.

CEUs: U.S. Center for Disease Control and Prevention provides 0.5 CEU's for the following professionals: Child care professional, child care health consultants, child care licensing staff, child care trainers, child care Resources & Referral (CCR&R) staff, child care Quality Improvement Rating Program (QIRP) staff.

Prerequisites: None

Cost: \$15

Additional course information: http://healthyhousingsolutions.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/EHCC_CEHN_Overview_1403.pdf

EPA Lead Safe Renovation, Repair and Painting (RRP)

Knowledge/Experience Level: Entry

Length: 1 day (9 hours)

Who Should Take This Course: Contractors who perform retrofit work in housing and child-occupied facilities built before 1978.

Course Description: This course was developed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), in collaboration with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to train renovation, repair, and painting contractors to work safely in housing with lead-based paint and comply with EPA's Renovation, Repair, and Painting (RRP) Rule and HUD's Lead Safe Housing Rule. This course also includes covers New Jersey's Regulations on Lead Safe Work Practices.

Certification: This class prepares students for certification that complies with EPA's RRP Rule and HUD's Lead Safe Housing Rule.

Prerequisites: None

CEUs: 4

Cost: \$180

Lead Safe Renovation, Repair and Painting (RRP)-Refresher

Length: 4 hours

Who Should Take This Course: Contractors who perform retrofit work in housing and child-occupied facilities built before 1978.

Course Description: This course was developed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), in collaboration with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to train renovation, repair, and painting contractors to work safely in housing with lead-based paint and comply with EPA's Renovation, Repair, and Painting (RRP) Rule and HUD's Lead Safe

Housing Rule. This course also includes covers New Jersey's Regulations on Lead Safe Work Practices.

Certification: This class prepares students for certification renewal that complies with EPA's RRP Rule and HUD's Lead Safe Housing Rule.

Prerequisites: Students must have an EPA Lead Safe Renovation, Repair and Painting certification that is not yet expired.

CEUs: 4 **Cost:** \$135.00

Home Performance, Weatherization and Healthy Homes

Knowledge/Experience Level: Experienced/Moderate **Length:** 1day (8 hours)

Who Should Take This Course: Energy Auditors and Weatherization Managers for any WAP funded program (LIHEAP, DOE, HIP, etc.)

Course Description: This course will prepare Energy Auditors and Weatherization Managers to understand and apply the new Weatherization Plus Health standards that are being required of WAP service providers. Based on the National Center for Healthy Housing course, "Health Opportunities in Energy Audits and Upgrades", this all day workshop will help participants learn and understand:

- The relationship between residential energy upgrades efforts and a healthy indoor environment
- Typical hazards found in homes
- Potential improvements suitable for minimizing health hazards

- How to address weatherization issues with required health and safety protocols (i.e. lead, moisture, pests, radon, ventilation, etc.)

Certification: None **CEUs:** 4.5 **Cost:** \$240

Prerequisites: Field experience with energy audits under any DOE funded program.

Lead Safe Weatherization (LSW)

Knowledge/Experience Level: Experienced **Length:** 1 day (9 hours)

Who Should Take This Course: Designed for weatherization technicians, this course covers the essentials of the EPA Lead Safe RRP AND adds information specific to the needs of

weatherization technicians and energy retrofit installers. LSW will soon be a required course for all weatherization workers.

Course Description: Lead Safe Weatherization (LSW) is a set of protocols established by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to be used when disturbing surfaces that may have lead-based paint in pre-1978 housing. These work practices reduce and control the amount of lead dust and paint chips that are generated during weatherization work. The protocols address compliance with applicable regulations and may reduce the risk of liability associated with the work. Workers performing weatherization must be trained in the unique applications of Lead-Safe Weatherization using this curriculum developed by the Montana State University Weatherization Training Center in partnership with DOE.

Certification: none

Prerequisites: none

CEUs: 4.5

Cost: \$180

Lead Abatement Worker-Housing and Public Buildings

Length: 4 days (32 hours) **Cost:** \$475

Who Should Take This Course: This course is designed for anyone who will be responsible for performing lead abatement work, including: General Contractors, Roofing Contractors, Demolition Contractors, Renovation Contractors, Flooring Contractors, Siding Contractors, Supervisors/Foremen, Project Managers, and Laborers.

Course Description: This training is approved by the New Jersey Department of Health's Lead Program and provides information on lead-based paint abatement and regulatory guidelines for individuals who conduct lead abatement work. Through hands-on training and lecture, students learn procedures for containment and decontamination systems, worker protection and safety, health effects of lead poisoning, history of lead exposure, waste disposal, clean-up tactics and clearance protocols. Abatement is any set of measures designed to permanently eliminate lead-based paint hazards. Abatement work that is not conducted by a certified Lead Supervisors and Lead Workers is subject to heavy fines by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) or applicable Authorized State Lead Program.

Requirements for Successful Completion of the Course: Students must be able to read, understand, and speak English, attend the course in its entirety, and pass a written, multiple choice exam.

Certification: Students will receive a certificate of completion. It is strongly recommended that you contact [your state's lead program](#) before taking training from an outside source.

Hours- 8:00 am to 5:30 pm

Participant must complete full 32 hour schedule to be certified.

Lead Abatement Supervisor-Housing and Public Buildings

Length: 5 days (40 hours) **Cost:** \$575

Who Should Take This Course: This course is designed for anyone who will be responsible for supervising or performing lead abatement work, including: General Contractors, Roofing Contractors, Demolition Contractors, Renovation Contractors, Flooring Contractors, Siding Contractors, Supervisors/Foremen, Project Managers, and Laborers.

Course Description: This training is approved by the New Jersey Department of Health's Lead Program and provides information on lead-based paint abatement and regulatory guidelines for individuals who plan and/or oversee lead abatement work. The course focuses on essential abatement procedures including site preparation, contract planning, project management, abatement implementation and record-keeping.

A certified Lead Abatement Supervisor can perform all the duties of a Lead Worker, and is also responsible for occupant safety during the abatement process as well as writing the abatement plan. At least one certified Lead Abatement Supervisor must be assigned to a lead abatement job. Abatement is any set of measures designed to permanently eliminate lead-based paint hazards. Abatement work that is not conducted by a certified Lead Supervisors and Lead Workers is subject to heavy fines by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) or applicable Authorized State Lead Program.

Requirements for Successful Completion of the Course: Students must be able to read, understand, and speak English, attend the course in its entirety, and pass a written, multiple choice exam.

Certification: In New Jersey, Lead Abatement Supervisors must complete an approved training, pass a third-party state examination, and have met specific education and experience requirements (according to N.J.A.C. 8:62-3.2(e)). A permit will be issued only to those applicants who meet the following: **1. A minimum of one (1) year experience as a lead abatement worker;** and **2. A minimum of two (2) years experience in a related field or the construction trades).** It is strongly recommended that you contact [your state's lead program](#) before taking training from an outside source.