Protect yourself and your family from toxic mold!

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What is mold?

Mold and mildew are types of fungi like mushrooms, and yeast. Fungi are found both indoors and outdoors.

Hundreds of different kinds of mold are commonly found in New York. Mold needs moisture to grow and generally grows in damp places. It can be slimy dry or powdery. It can look fluffy or furry and sometimes smells bad.

In order to grow and survive mold needs food and water. It can feed on paper, sheetrock, fabric, wood and many other household surfaces if there is enough moisture. Often times mold can be visible but it is sometimes hidden behind walls and other surfaces that have gotten wet or damp. Mold can release spores in the air.

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Is mold dangerous?

Yes! You can breath in mold particles or spores without even knowing about it.

What are some symptoms of toxic mold exposure?

Molds are known to cause allergies in people. Mold exposure can cause asthma, hay fever, sneezing, wheezing, eye allergies and rashes. Some of these symptoms sometimes get better when the person is away from the source of the mold.

Mold should not be taken lightly as it can cause more serious and sometimes fatal breathing conditions such as asthma, systemic fungal infections, respiratory failure and pneumonia. Studies have also shown a link between mold and autoimmune diseases. Children, the elderly and people who have compromised immune systems may be at greater risk.

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What should be done?

Your landlord or property manager must keep your building in good condition so mold will not grow. Your landlord or property manager must repair water leaks and correct areas that have high humidity.

If you have a lot of mold or it keeps coming back after you have cleaned it, ask your landlord to fix the problem.

If the problem is not fixed contact your local department of health.

In NYC Call: 311.
Westchester County Dept. of Health: 914-813-5000
Putnam County Dept. of Health: 845-808-1390
Dutchess County Dept. of Health: 845-486-3400
Rockland County Dept. of Health: 845-364-2000
Orange County Dept. of Health: 845-291-2331

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