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### News Release

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### Immediate Release

#### ***January is National Radon Action Month***

Kingsford and Iron River, Michigan – December 21, 2021. Radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer deaths in the U.S. claiming approximately 20,000 lives annually or slightly more than two every hour.

Radon is a radioactive odorless gas produced from the decomposition of uranium. Therefore, it could be lingering in a private home or public building without the occupant being aware of its presence.

Fortunately, scientists have provided the tools that can help protect us from radon, such as a simple test that can determine the approximate level of radon exposure in buildings.

In observance of “Radon Action Month” the Dickinson-Iron District Health Department (DIDHD) has reduced the cost to \$5 for the short-term test kits for the month of January.

The kits can be purchased at the Iron River Office, located at 601 Washington Avenue, Iron River or in the Dickinson Office, located at 818 Pyle Drive, Kingsford. Our office hours are 8-4pm, Monday-Friday.

Anyone seeking further information regarding the department’s Radon Program can call DIDHD at (906) 779-7239.

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