



*"Do you know lung cancer kills more women than any other cancer?"<sup>1</sup>*

*"No! I'm not a smoker though, but hey, have you heard about radon?"*

*"Yes, can you believe it? According to the Surgeon General, radon is the second leading cause of lung cancer."*

*"Really? I've heard of radon, but what is it?"*

*"Radon is the leading cause of lung cancer among non-smokers. Radon is a form of radiation that builds up in homes. It comes naturally from the soil. But it's no problemo! All you have to do is test your home."*



## You as a woman can take action!

Testing for radon is easy and inexpensive. Testing is the only way to know if you have a high radon level in your home.

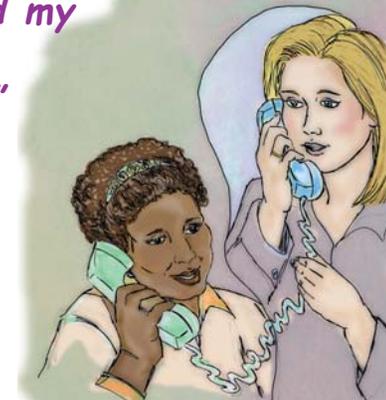
The potential hazard of high levels of radon gas exists in new homes, old homes, two-story homes and one-story homes. All homes, located anywhere in the state, should be tested for radon.

<sup>1</sup> [www.lungcancer.org](http://www.lungcancer.org)



*"I've tested my home, you should too."*

*"Where do you obtain test kits?"*



Test kits may be available at your county health department, local extension office, hardware store, or home improvement store.



## What does the test mean?

Radon results will be sent directly to you after completing your test. If your home has radon (4.0 pCi/L or more) the Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA) has a list of licensed radon reduction contractors (mitigators) that can fix your radon problem.

IEMA recommends hiring a licensed mitigator because they have the proper equipment, specialized training and technical skills needed. Using a professional can offer peace of mind. Don't let radon be a problem in your house.

## Where do you get information about radon?

To learn more about radon call the IEMA toll free line at 1-800-325-1245 or visit us online at [www.radon.illinois.gov](http://www.radon.illinois.gov). For more information on radon, check out [www.TakeActionOnRadon.uiuc.edu](http://www.TakeActionOnRadon.uiuc.edu), or if you are in McLean County, call the McLean County Radon Awareness Program at 309-438-5295.

*The smallest deed is better than the best intention.*

*- Road to Success*

*"Never doubt that a thoughtful group of individuals can change the world, indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."*

*- Margaret Mead*

## Questions about Lung Cancer

If you have specific questions about Lung Cancer call the American Lung Association of Illinois at 1-800-LUNG-USA or visit them online at [www.lungil.org](http://www.lungil.org).



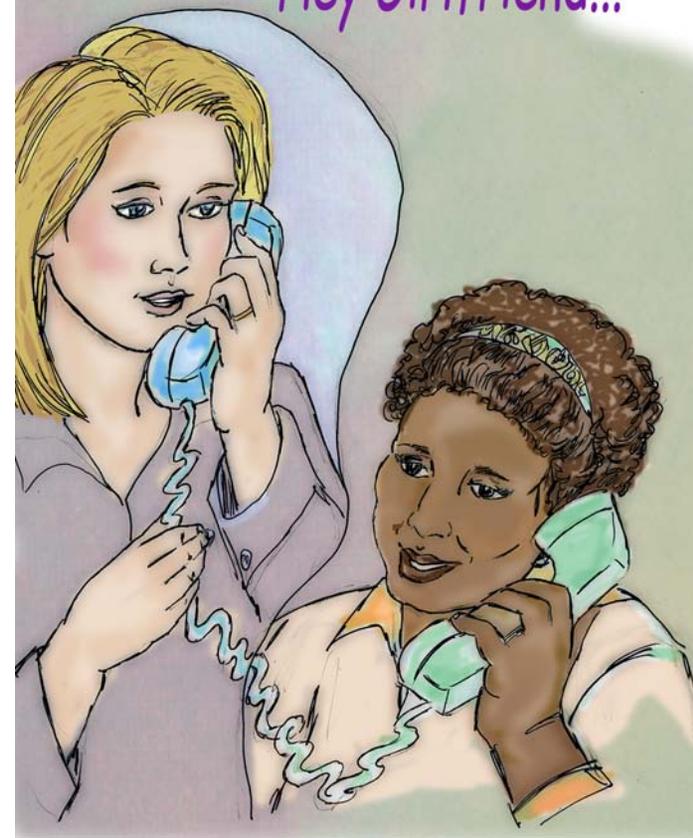
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## Let Me Tell You About Radon!

*"Hey Girlfriend..."*



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