

Internet Access sites:

- EPA facts www.epa.gov/iaq/molds/moldresources.html
- Indoor Air Quality Council www.iaqcouncil.org
- CDC factsheets www.cdc.gov/nceh/airpollution/mold
- Flooding & cleanup www.fema.gov
- Industrial Hygiene www.aiha.org
- Energy & Envir Bldg Assoc. www.eeba.org (moisture control, vapor barriers)
- American IAQ Council www.indoor-air-quality.org
- Allergy website www.niaid.nih.gov/publications/allergens/mold.htm

The Genesee County Health Department does not recommend testing as the first step in remediating a water incursion or mold growth.

All molds can become a potential problem if they are in high enough concentrations indoors, and you or your family have susceptibility to respiratory ailments.

As recommended by the EPA and State of Michigan Dept of Community Health, we also recommend repairing the water leak so there will not be a recurrence. Clean up any water intrusions within 48 hours to reduce the amount of mold growth. Clean and sanitize previously flooded areas with an agent known to kill mold spores, such as a 10 % bleach and water solution. Be sure to reduce the humidity in the area so drying can occur. Maintain humidity levels within the 'comfort range' of 30% to 60% to inhibit mold and mildew growth.