

Why is it important to protect our families from pesticides?



Children are more vulnerable.

- Children are more easily exposed to pesticides because of their small bodies and behaviors.
- Sometimes, without realizing it, a parent can expose his or her child to pesticides.



Pesticides are dangerous.

- Pesticides are chemicals that are used to kill insects and weeds.
- Pesticides are used in the fields and also in our homes.
- These chemicals can make us sick, even kill us.



Exposure is constant.

- Contact with pesticides can occur throughout the day.
- Exposure to pesticides sometimes happens without us realizing.
- You can be exposed at work or at home with the family.



Do your part!

- Everyone at home can be affected by pesticide residue.
- Parents, teachers, and children can all help to reduce the risk of pesticide exposure around families.

Another tip to protect your family from pesticides...Write your own!



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How can we protect our families from pesticides?



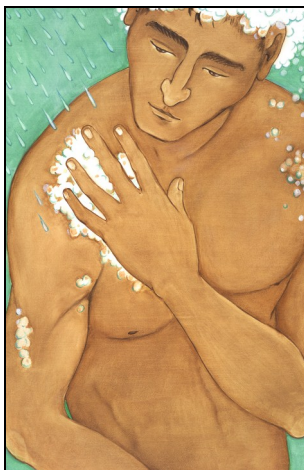
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Clean thoroughly the places where pesticide residues can be found. ☐



Bathe with shampoo and soap directly after working. ☐



Remove work boots before entering the house. ☐

Wash your work clothes separately from the family's clothes. ☐



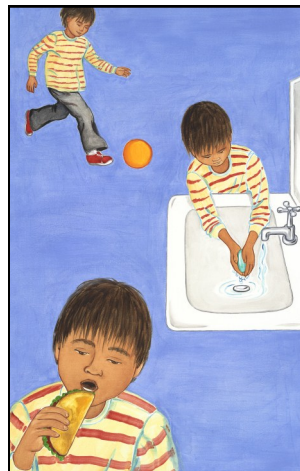
Mark the box when the step has become part of your family's routine. ☒

Protect your family from pesticides...
It's easy!



Wash fruits and vegetables before eating them. ☐

Have the whole family wash their hands before eating, drinking, or going to the bathroom. ☐

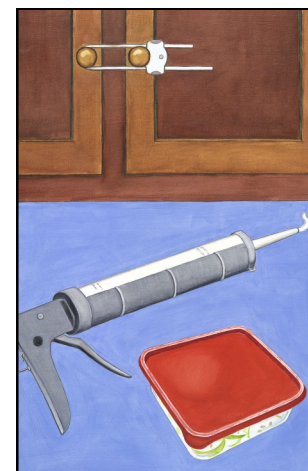


Prevent insects from entering your home by sealing cracks and keeping the house clean and dry. ☐



Do not bring agricultural pesticides home. ☐

Avoid areas where pesticides are being sprayed. ☐



Keep all cleaning and pesticide products outside of children's reach. ☐



Close windows, turn off ventilators, and cover outside equipment when pesticides are being sprayed near your house. ☐