

Assessing Preparedness: Natural and Hazardous Material Release Emergencies in the Community

Directions: Please answer the following questions about your community's current safety and health status. Please circle your response from the three possible answers: Yes, No, or Not Sure. If you do not know the answer, circle the "Not Sure" option.

	Yes	No	Not Sure
1. Do community members know about the Toxic Release Inventory (TRI)?	1	2	3
2. Do community members know about the Integrated Risk Information System (IRIS)?	1	2	3
3. Do community members know how to access emission data for manufacturing companies?	1	2	3
4. Do community members know the types of information to gather for a report if you witness a tanker overturn?	1	2	3
you see drums in an abandoned lot, that were not there previously?	1	2	3
notice odors from an incinerator or other facility?	1	2	3
5. Do community members know who to contact if there are environmental incidents such as... illegal dumping?	1	2	3
black smoke or flares from a smoke stack?	1	2	3
oil slick on a body of water or waterway?	1	2	3
6. Do community members know if local hospitals/schools participate in emergency response drills?	1	2	3
If so, do they practice the drills?	1	2	3
7. Do community members know who to contact in case of a local emergency?	1	2	3
8. Do community members know who will contact them in case of a local emergency?	1	2	3
9. Do community members have a home emergency evacuation plan?	1	2	3

	Yes	No	Not Sure
If so, do you practice the plan?	1	2	3
10. Do you know what 'shelter in place' means?	1	2	3
11. Do you know what constitutes a hazardous chemical?	1	2	3
12. Do you know about safety precautions concerning hazardous chemicals?	1	2	3
13. Do you know about hazardous chemicals in your community?	1	2	3
14. Are you familiar with green alternatives to chemicals used in the community?	1	2	3
15. Do you know about hazardous chemicals in your home?	1	2	3
16. Are you familiar with green alternatives to household chemicals used in the home?	1	2	3
17. Are you aware of the air quality index?	1	2	3
18. Do you know what to do in case of poor air quality/ozone days?	1	2	3
19. Do you know what <u>not</u> to do in case of poor air quality?	1	2	3
20. Do you know what "living a green lifestyle" means?	1	2	3
21. Is "green" part of your lifestyle?	1	2	3
22. Do you think your lifestyle could be "greener"?	1	2	3

Count up the number of responses

Yes _____ No _____ Not sure _____

What would you like to do next?

Learn more

Take an action, such as _____

Talk with friends/neighbors

Other _____

How can the Midwest Consortium for Hazardous Waste Worker Training help you accomplish this next step?

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