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HUD Kicks Off National Healthy Homes Month

In a [press release](#) last Friday, HUD's Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes ([OLHCHH](#)) announced that it has kicked off National Healthy Homes Month ([NHHM](#)) to educate families about potential health hazards in a home and empower them to create the healthiest environment possible.

According to the [NHHM page](#), this year's theme, "Healthy Housing for All," highlights the importance of safe and healthy living, no matter the address, through stressing the importance of home maintenance and highlighting the connection between health and the internal environment.

To emphasize the theme of the month, HUD Secretary Ben Carson is releasing a podcast series outlining the "8 Principles of A Healthy Home." The series includes helpful information for families and individuals about home health hazards, such as lead, mold, and carbon monoxide from subject matter experts across the Department. The first [podcast](#) is available to stream on [HUD's website](#). In addition to the podcast, HUD's Office of Healthy Homes will hold a series of webinars throughout the month. These webinars are designed to help educators and other stakeholders to stay abreast of healthy homes guidelines and emerging issues.

HUD has also posted an NHHM [Campaign Resource Toolkit](#) and other resources to help stakeholders understand the importance of healthy homes as it relates to overall health. While the pandemic is still impacting communities, the digital toolkit provides guidance on conducting education virtually. You can find links to these and other related materials on the [NHHM page](#) at [HUD's website](#).



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