*Presents the fifth annual Twitter chat in support of*

**National Healthy Homes Month 2023**

**Wednesday, June 28, 2023, 3 to 4 p.m. ET (12 to 1 p.m. PT).** **#NHHMchat**

The National Healthy Housing Center (NCHH) is hosting a **National Healthy Homes Month**-themed Twitter chat **(#NHHMchat)** to exchange ideas, spread awareness, and take action on home hazard prevention and the implementation of effective healthy homes policies. As in years past, we’re hosting the chat near the end of HUD’s National Healthy Homes Month to collect and share the great healthy homes learning opportunities and resources that appear throughout the month of June.

 The **#NHHMchat** aims to:

* Raise awareness of the importance of home assessments and their impact on health.
* Discuss available resources for local government, communities, property owners, and residents.
* Encourage strategic partnerships, regulatory action, and policies that promote healthier homes and communities.

**NHHM partners, please:**

1. Participate in the live chat on June 28 at 3 p.m. ET (12:00 p.m. PT).
2. Help promote #NHHMchat widely to your followers, members, and partners to ensure broad participation.

**To participate**, follow [@NCHH](http://twitter.com/nchh) and RSVP at <https://bit.ly/NHHMchat23>. On Wednesday, June 28, @NCHH will post questions starting at 3:00 p.m. ET (12:00 p.m. PT). Follow along using the **#NHHMchat** hashtag and share your thoughts and ideas on policies and practices to address housing health issues and response. *Be sure to include* ***#NHHMchat*** *in your tweets so that the chat participants can easily follow you and others during this event.*

**Promote the chat widely** for maximum participation! Follow [@NCHH](http://twitter.com/nchh) and retweet our Twitter chat promotions during the days leading up to the chat. The more that people see the chat, the more people tune in to read what *you* have to say, and the more this community can accomplish toward making safe, healthy homes a reality for all Americans.

As an NCHH and/or National Safe and Healthy Housing Coalition partner, you have an excellent opportunity to highlight some of your exciting initiatives and projects! Use the **#NHHMchat** questions to formulate your answers now. (Learn more about the National Safe and Healthy Housing Coalition at <http://bit.ly/NSHHC>.)

Have a Conflict?
If you’re scheduled to be elsewhere but would still like to participate, you have options. It’s okay to join the chat late. As long as you’ve identified which answers correspond to what questions, the audience will figure everything out. Another option is to pre-schedule your tweets using [TweetDeck](https://tweetdeck.twitter.com/), [Hootsuite](https://hootsuite.com/), or other tweet/post management service.

Format Your Tweets

When writing your tweets, be sure to remember these tips:

* Include the hashtag **#NHHMchat** in all your tweets.
* Start your answers with A1, A2, A3, et cetera, to correspond to the question number.
* You have only 280 characters per tweet, including spaces and links (note that links on Twitter always use 23 characters, regardless of their actual length), but you’re not limited to one tweet per answer to a question. You may also use A1a, A1b, A1c, and so on, to indicate a multipart answer or multiple responses to a given question.
* Use links to your website, programs, initiatives, and partners in your tweets! Promote the good work that you and your community or organization are doing! (Note: Links on Twitter always use 23 characters, regardless of their actual length.)

Join us for what should be a lively and informative discussion and let us help you to highlight all the exciting work you’re doing to encourage healthier home environments!

**If** **you haven’t already, RSVP here now!** [**https://bit.ly/NHHMchat23**](https://bit.ly/NHHMchat2023)

**You can also register for our next #NLPPWchat on Wednesday, October 25, 2023, at 3 p.m.:** [**https://bit.ly/NLPPWchat23**](https://bit.ly/NLPPWchat23)

*The #NHHMchat question schedule begins on the next page.*

#NHHMchat Question ScheduleTo help you out, we’ve preformatted the answers for you. To appear in the chat, your answers must include the **#NHHMchat** hashtag.

**Check-In.
*Check-In Question: Where are you tweeting from today and how hot is it? Bonus points for using image or video files (such as a jpg, gif, or an mp4) to share your answer! Regardless, the conversation about improving housing quality is about to heat up! #NHHMchat #NHHM23***

**3:03 p.m.**A: #NHHMchat #NHHM23

**Question 1.**

***Q1: @HUDHealthyHomes' #NHHM23 theme this year is “Connecting Home, Health, and YOU.” Who do you hope sees that message and thinks that "you" means them? In other words, who needs to better understand their connection to housing and health? #NHHMchat***

**3:10 p.m.**

A1: #NHHMchat #NHHM23

**Question 2.**

***Q2: Which policies, programs, or efforts make the biggest difference in preventing exposure to unsafe housing conditions? How can we (or how are you or your partners) proactively improve housing quality to PREVENT illness and injury? #NHHMchat #NHHM23***

**3:15 p.m.**

A2: #NHHMchat #NHHM23

**Question 3.**

***Q3:*** ***With historic levels of federal funding available, how do we ensure that investments make it to the communities most in need and that housing is prioritized? Local folks: What do you wish decision-makers and funders understood about your community’s needs? #NHHMchat #NHHM23***

**3:20 p.m.**A3: #NHHMchat #NHHM23

**Question 4.**

***Q4: What are some of the greatest barriers for your community or constituents in improving health and safety in homes? What are some promising opportunities? #NHHMchat #NHHM23 #HealthyHousing #HealthyHomes***

**3:25 p.m.**

A4: #NHHMchat #NHHM23

**Question 5.**

***Q5: Having a trained and empowered #workforce is critical to local efforts to improve housing quality. What successes have you had to help promote #workforcedevelopment? What barriers? What are some promising opportunities? #NHHMchat #NHHM23***

**3:30 p.m.**A5: #NHHMchat #NHHM23

**Question 6.**

***Q6: Climate change is affecting communities unequally. What are you doing to drive more equitable solutions for climate-resilient #HealthyHousing and help others understand the link between climate, housing, health, and racial justice? #NHHMchat #NHHM23 #ClimateChange***

**3:35 p.m.**A6: #NHHMchat #NHHM23

**Question 7.**

***Q7: Rural health and mental health are often left out of conversations about the impacts of unhealthy housing. What should we know about the connection between housing and #RuralHealth and/or housing and #MentalHealth, and what can we do to address it? #NHHMchat #NHHM23***

**3:40 p.m.**A7: #NHHMchat #NHHM23

**Question 8.**

***Q8: With everything else going on in the world (racial injustice, economic inequality, climate change), why should young people care about healthy housing? What advice do you have for people considering or just starting a career in healthy housing? #NHHMchat #NHHM23***

**3:45 p.m.**A8: #NHHMchat #NHHM23

**Question 9.**

***Q9: Our understanding of the role of healthy housing in making the world a better place is constantly evolving. What healthy housing issues aren’t we talking about at all or enough? What else would you like to see the field focus on? #NHHMchat #NHHM23***

**3:50 p.m.**A9: #NHHMchat #NHHM23

**Question 10.
*Q10: What is something that you know or believe about healthy housing that if everyone knew, it would change the world? #NHHMchat #NHHM23***

 **3:55 p.m.**A10: #NHHMchat #NHHM23

Final Reminders and Notes About the #NHHMchat
If you had something you wanted to tell the world related to healthy housing, but we didn’t give you the question, go ahead and tweet it anyway!

* Make sure that your tweets include **#NHHMchat** in them so they’ll be seen by the chat audience (and also **#NHHM23** for even more exposure), but we recommend not assigning them to a particular question. In other words, you may not want to begin your tweet with “A3” if it has nothing to do with “Q3.”

If you’re not able to join the chat when it starts, that’s okay!

* Just join when you can, but make sure that your tweets include **#NHHMchat** in them so they’ll be seen by the chat audience.
* If you’re replying to one of the chat questions on this document, don’t forget to include the A1, A2, A3, et cetera in your tweet as well.

If you miss the chat completely but still want to participate, that’s okay!

* We’ll collect all the tweets marked with #NHHMchat for a Wakelet record starting the next morning, so as long as you’ve posted on the day of the chat, it’s okay with us; however, the visibility of your posts will be less than if you’d been posting during the chat hour.

**If you want to chat some more, that’s wonderful!**

* **You can already register for our next National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week chat (#NLPPWchat) on Wednesday, October 25, 2023, at 3 p.m. here: https://bit.ly/NLPPWchat23**