

## Pesticide Control Office Reporting Pesticide Exposure

Reporting exposures to pesticides helps to provide the Pesticide Control Office with comprehensive information on the consequences of exposure to pesticides that affect people and the environment.

Pesticides are any substance or mixture of substances intended for preventing, destroying, repelling, or controlling any pest. Pesticides also include household disinfectants and sanitizers. Handling or using a pesticide correctly and in accordance with the pesticide's label directions minimizes your risk to exposure.



symptoms of pesticide exposure include: headache, rash, nausea, vomiting, fatigue, dizziness, stomach cramps, and eye, nose or skin irritation.

**SEVERE** symptoms include: difficulty breathing, burns or blistering, shaking, tremors, blurred vision, and eye injuries.

When seeking care for a pesticide exposure, the information that you are able to provide over the phone or in person to your health care provider is





very important. Be sure to tell your doctor that you may have been exposed to a pesticide. Have the pesticide label, Safety Data Sheet (SDS), or the name of the pesticide product readily accessible.

With this information, your healthcare provider can administer more effective

treatment if they know you work with pesticides or have recently been exposed to pesticides.