

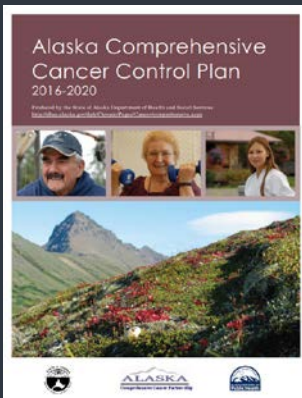
# Alaska Radon Fact Sheet

## ALASKA RADON AWARENESS PROGRAM

<http://www.uaf.edu/ces/energy/radon/>

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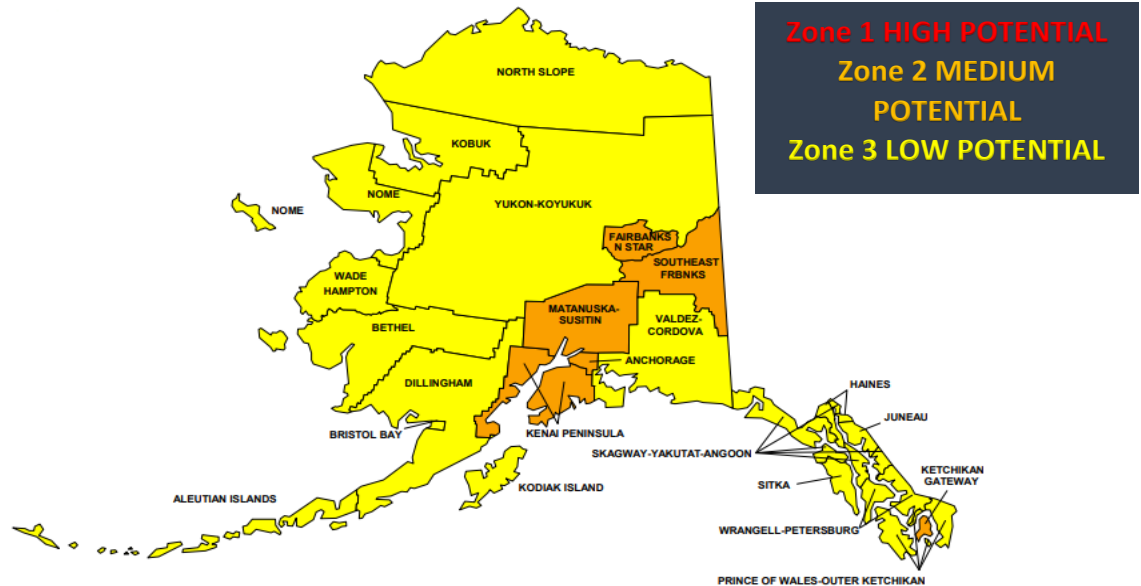
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### Alaska Cancer Control Plan

<http://dhss.alaska.gov/dph/Chronic/Documents/Cancer/assets/>

*AlaskaCancerPlan2016-2020.pdf*



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- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3EOt-iyk5MA>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zww4yPgv3XA>
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pytSjq4eHfs&t=8s>.

Geophysical surveying and residential units found that Alaska's strongest natural concentrations are in the Yukon-Tanana uplands and parts of the Matanuska and Susitna valleys. These areas are generally underlain by schist bedrock, from which radon gas is released, but you will find radon anywhere there is decaying uranium with an escape route to the atmosphere.

Testing has been done in homes, schools and daycare centers over the past six years with collected information being remapped with GIS to give an indication of prevalence throughout the state. Education has been rolled out to medical providers, real estate agents and home inspectors as well as homeowners. A new mapping project is being held in conjunction with the creation of an information exchange information database. Primarily data points are collected from inspectors, residents and tribes as there are no regulations requiring testing to be done and reported back in any of the municipalities or boroughs.

Alaska's Radon Program, through the EPA State Indoor Radon Grant (SIRG) Program, is managed by Art Nash, Assistant Energy Professor at the School of Natural Resources and Extension -University of Alaska, Fairbanks.

# Cancer Prevention and Control Plan

Objective 2.5: Reduce the impact of environmental carcinogens on Alaska's cancer incidence and mortality

Strategy 2. Increase testing of Alaska homes for radon.

## Alaska Enacted Legislation

**Alaska Statutes §§ 34.70.010--200** Requires transferors of an interest in residential real property to provide to transferees a written disclosure statement prior to a written offer of transfer, and directs the Alaska Real Estate Commission to establish the form. Form developed by the Commission requires disclosure of knowledge of materials deemed to be environmental hazards, including radon gas, formaldehyde, asbestos, and lead-based paint, as well as knowledge of mold or mildew issues. (See <https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/portals/5/pub/rec4145.pdf>.)