



# CHAMACOS

## PROTECTING YOUR HOUSEHOLD FROM PESTICIDES

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- 1. KEEP CHILDREN OUT OF THE FIELDS.** Don't let children play in fields or irrigation ditches. If children must go to the fields, they should be bathed or showered immediately after, and should wear clothes that protect them: long sleeved shirt, hat or hood, long pants, socks and closed-toed shoes or boots.



- 2. KEEP PETS OUTSIDE AND BATHE THEM FREQUENTLY.** By keeping pets outside, it keeps them from bringing pesticide dust into the house on their fur and paws. Wash them frequently to remove this dust. Minimize the use of flea collars or flea powder and keep these away from children.



- 3. CLOSE WINDOWS AND DOORS TO KEEP OUT PESTICIDE SPRAY.** Close windows and doors when pesticides are being applied nearby.



- 4. COVER UP OUTDOOR TOYS AND WASH THEM OFTEN.** If you live near a field, cover up outdoor toys or bring them inside when they aren't being used. Wash them frequently to get off any pesticides from nearby spraying.



- 5. DON'T BRING PESTICIDE CONTAINERS OR PESTICIDES HOME FROM THE FIELDS.** Do not bring pesticide containers home from work or use them for anything else. Also, do not bring pesticides home. They are not safe to use around the home.

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