

Healthy Communities Network - Issues Identified

What/Where	Barre	Bennington	Brattleboro	Burlington	Hartford	Middlebury	Morrisville	Newport	Rutland	Springfield	St Albans	St Johnsbury	Statewide
Are there resources to physically and financially help people with removal?													x
Breaking cycle (moving as only fix)												x	
Clarity re: legal responsibility/tenant & landlord re: bed bugs				x		x				x			x
Clarity re: roles/procedures for schools, etc. re: bed bugs										x			
Culture of "more"/accumulation via QVC, etc.				x									
Denial of services because of level of bed bug infestation		x							x				
Do we have a statewide hoarding task force? Should we?													x
Don't know where to go for referrals													x
Economics/Cost - tenants/landlords (costs \$2-3K to clean out one BDR apt)		x		x		x			x			x	
Education/outreach (reduce stigma)		x		x					x				x
Fear		x					x		x				
Fleas						x							
Healthcare		x							x				
Hotels/Basic Resources - what do they do to inspect/prevent		x			x				x				
Housing		x							x				
How do we resolve denial there is a problem? (Hoarding) E.g. solutions can be mandated re: removal of personal effects, but it will be reaccumulated													x
Lack of funding			x				x						
Lack of stakeholder coordination: landlords/managers, fire safety, town health officers, Dept of Mental Health, family members, etc.													x
Lack of therapeutic/mental health options (hoarding similar to eating disorders); work takes time/build relationships					x	x	x					x	
Lack of inconsistent resources, time, classe, experts, physical help				x									x
Landlords		x							x				
Legality - ability to help, enforcement			x										
More data re: local numbers re: hoarding - how do we know what this looks like in our communities?										x			
No collective group in area			x										
No David or Kate (hoarding experts) in our community - how are they funded?			x		x	x							
Oversight/Accountability/Enforcement re: bed bugs; Town Health Officer - currently not considered a major code violation; can this be changed? Enforcement mechanisms not effective, i.e. fines, court orders, eviction		x							x	x		x	x
PHO cannot help with privately-owned home					x								
Prevention/Early Intervention				x									
Re-use of furniture/recycle/need to treat items (LISTEN, SEVCA, COVER, Rent-A-Center)				x	x								
Risk of children being removed from parents			x										
Risk of losing housing/Section 8			x										
Self-spraying pesticides/health		x							x				
Stigma/Case Info Sharing/Right to Know		x					x		x	x		x	
Storage lockers												x	
Transportation		x							x				