

**To report cases of work-related pesticide illness or injury, contact:**

Occupational and Environmental  
Medicine Michigan State University  
117 W. Fee Hall  
E. Lansing, MI 48824-1315  
1-800-446-7805  
Fax: 517-432-3606  
Via e-mail: [ODreport@ht.msu.edu](mailto:ODreport@ht.msu.edu)  
[www.oem.msu.edu](http://www.oem.msu.edu)

**To report a misuse of pesticides, or  
for information on the Worker  
Protection Standard, contact:**

MI Dept. of Agriculture and Rural Dev.  
Pesticides and Plant Pest Management  
P.O. Box 30017  
Lansing, Michigan 48909  
1-800-292-3939  
[www.michigan.gov/mdard](http://www.michigan.gov/mdard)

**To learn more about MIOSHA  
requirements, contact:**  
Michigan Department of Licensing and  
Regulatory Affairs

7150 Harris Drive, P.O. Box 30643  
Lansing, MI 48909-8143  
(517) 322-1814 (general information)  
1-800-866-4674 (hotline)  
[www.michigan.gov/miosha](http://www.michigan.gov/miosha)

**For educational materials about  
pesticides and their use, contact:**

Michigan State University  
Pesticide Education  
B18 Food Safety & Toxicology Bldg.  
East Lansing, MI 48824-1302  
(517) 432-7392  
[www.pested.msu.edu](http://www.pested.msu.edu)

Michigan Department of Community Health  
201 Townsend St.  
PO Box 30195  
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# Michigan Occupational Pesticide Illness and Injury Surveillance Project





## What Do We Do?

The Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH)'s occupational

pesticide illness and injury surveillance program gathers information about people with acute work-related pesticide illnesses and injuries. We receive reports about these people and then find out how they were exposed to pesticides and how the pesticides affected their health. We provide information or referrals so they and their employers can reduce pesticide hazards at work.

We work with two other state agencies which are responsible for worker health and pesticides. These are the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD) and the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs (LARA). MDARD enforces state and federal legal requirements for the sale and use of pesticides. MDARD certifies people who apply pesticides and licenses businesses to apply pesticides. They also train farm workers and enforce provisions of the Worker Protection Standard. LARA enforces Michigan Occupational Safety and Health Administration (MIOSHA) standards and does training in health and safety.

We combine information about all the pesticide illness cases (without names) to learn more about pesticide problems at Michigan's work sites. This helps us find ways to prevent dangerous exposures to pesticides at work. We share this information with the public so that others can also take action.

## How Does Michigan's Workforce Benefit?

Our goal is to prevent workers in Michigan from getting sick from pesticides. We do this by providing information and helping make sure that laws are followed.

## Who Reports Pesticide Poisonings?

Health care providers, health care facilities and employers are mandated by law to report all cases of pesticide poisonings that are related to work. They must also report all other diseases related to work. This is required under the Michigan Public Health Code.

Michigan State University (MSU) maintains the occupational disease reporting system as an agent of the state, in collaboration with MDCH and LARA. Information about how to report a work related pesticide poisoning can be found at [www.oem.msu.edu](http://www.oem.msu.edu). You can also get reporting forms or more information about reporting by calling MSU at 1-800-446-7805.

## Is Information Reported to the Project Confidential?

All personal identifying information is confidential. By law, we may not release this information without the person's permission.

## How Are We Funded?

We are funded by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health. This agency is part of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.



## Whom Can I Contact for More Information?

Michigan Department of Community Health

Division of Environmental Health  
Occupational Pesticide Illness and Injury Surveillance Project

201 Townsend St.

P.O. Box 30195

Lansing, MI 48909

Phone: 1-800-MI-TOXIC and ask for 'Pesticide Project'

Fax: (517) 335-8800

[www.michigan.gov/mdch-toxics](http://www.michigan.gov/mdch-toxics)

For information and management of **acute health effects** call the Poison Control Center at **1-800-222-1222**. For information and management of chronic health effects call the MSU Division of Occupational and Environmental Medicine at **517-353-1846**.