

Indoor Air Quality Fact Sheet

The University of Maryland is committed to providing a work environment that is free of recognized hazards and investigate concerns which may be related to indoor air quality (IAQ).

What affects indoor air quality?

Indoor air quality may be affected by deficiencies in the ventilation system, vapors, dust generated in the work environment, materials infiltrating from outside sources (such as pollen or engine exhaust), or mold associated with moisture-affected materials.

I have concerns about air quality in my work place. What can I do?

If you have concerns regarding IAQ in your work place, contact the Department of Environmental Safety, Sustainability and Risk (ESSR). ESSR personnel will speak with you to collect information on the issue(s) in the space(s).

Additionally, a service request for an IAQ survey may be placed here: https://essr.umd.edu/forms. Choose "Service Request" under the "Most Requested" section.

What can I expect during an IAQ survey?

Typical IAQ surveys include:

- Real-time measurements for carbon dioxide, temperature, and relative humidity
- A visual inspection of accessible areas
- Review of the building ventilation

What happens after the IAQ survey is conducted?

ESSR will prepare a written report of survey results, including reported background information, measurements taken, and conclusions/recommendations. Copies of the report will be forwarded to the service requestor and any other associated personnel.