

Prevent Hantavirus Infection in 3 Simple Steps!

SEAL UP

- Seal holes larger than a dime inside and outside of residences to keep rodents out
- Store food items in sealable containers to prevent rodent entry



TRAP UP

- Trap rodents around your residence to help reduce rodent populations
- Consult with an exterminator if there is a serious rodent infestation

CLEAN UP

- NEVER sweep or vacuum areas that have potential rodent infestations as this can result in the aerosolization and inhalation of the virus.
- Buildings or areas that have been abandoned, out of use for an extended period of time, or show signs of rodent infestation should be “aired out” by opening windows and doors to promote air circulation.
 - This should be done for at least 30 minutes, and people should leave the area during the ventilation process.
- Wear rubber, latex, or vinyl gloves when cleaning areas potentially infested or contaminated with rodents.
- Spray potentially contaminated surfaces with a disinfectant such as a 1% (1:100 dilution) bleach solution and wipe the area clean. Soak heavily infested or contaminated areas with a disinfectant such as a 10% (1:10 dilution) bleach solution and wipe the area clean.