

AdvantaClean of Kansas City Warns of Health Risks Tied to Sewage Damage in Kansas City

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AdvantaClean of Kansas City is raising awareness about the health hazards posed by sewage backups as aging sewer infrastructure and seasonal storms continue to increase the risk of contamination in area homes and businesses. The company reports that untreated black water from sewage backups can introduce dangerous pathogens, including E. coli, Salmonella, and Hepatitis A, into living spaces within hours of an incident.

Sewage backups frequently occur when heavy rainfall overwhelms municipal systems or when older pipes fail, allowing contaminated water to enter structures through drains, toilets, and basement floors. According to the company, what many property owners initially view as a plumbing inconvenience can quickly escalate into a serious public health concern when contaminated materials are not addressed promptly and properly.

Black water contamination carries bacteria, viruses, and other microorganisms that can remain active on surfaces and within porous materials such as drywall, carpet, and insulation. The company notes that

exposure can occur through direct contact, contaminated surfaces, and airborne particles, placing households at risk even after visible water has receded.

Kevin Full of AdvantaClean of Kansas City said the timing of the reminder reflects the seasonal patterns the region experiences each year. "Sewage backups are among the most misunderstood emergencies a property owner can face," Full said. "People see standing water and assume it is a cleanup they can handle on their own, but black water contamination is a different category entirely. The pathogens involved can cause real illness, and the window to respond safely is short."

The company emphasizes that proper sewage damage cleanup in Kansas City involves more than removing water and drying affected areas. The process typically requires containment of the contaminated zone, removal of materials that cannot be safely disinfected, application of professional-grade sanitizing agents, and verification that moisture levels have returned to safe conditions to prevent secondary issues such as mold growth.

Full added that early response makes a measurable difference in outcomes. "Every hour matters once contamination enters a home," Full said. "The goal is to contain the affected area, remove the hazard, and restore the space to a safe and healthy condition before the problem spreads further into the structure."

The company encourages property owners who experience a sewage backup to avoid contact with affected water, keep children and pets away from the area, and arrange for professional assessment as soon as possible. Attempting to clean contaminated areas without proper protective equipment and disinfection methods can increase the risk of exposure and leave hidden contamination behind.

AdvantaClean of Kansas City has served residents and businesses in the Kansas City area for over 25 years, offering water damage restoration, mold remediation, air duct cleaning, moisture control, fire damage cleanup, sanitization, and related services. The company is certified by the Institute for Inspection, Cleaning and Restoration Certification and maintains additional certifications through recognized mold inspection and remediation organizations. Available for emergency response at all hours, the company serves commercial, residential, and government clients across the region as part of a broader family of home service brands.

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