**Staying Safe while Staying Warm: Heating Safety**

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| Post 1 | As temperatures drop in Western NC, the NC Department of Health and Human Services urges everyone to prioritize safety while heating their homes. Ensure you’re prepared!  **Using a wood-burning stove?** Here are some safety tips:   1. **Burn only dry, seasoned wood.** 2. **Never burn household trash.** 3. **Keep flammable items away.** Stay safe and warm this winter! | Wood-Burning Safety Tips   * Burn Dry, Seasoned Wood Only * Do NOT Burn Household Trash * Keep Flammable Items Away |
| Post 2 | As temperatures drop in Western NC, the NC Department of Health and Human Services urges everyone to prioritize safety while heating their homes. Ensure you’re prepared!  **Beware of Carbon Monoxide!** This odorless gas can be deadly.   * Never use generators indoors. * Keep rooms ventilated. * If you feel dizzy or sick, seek fresh air immediately! #CarbonMonoxideAwareness #NCHHS | Carbon Monoxide Awareness   * Never Use Generators Indoors * Keep Rooms Ventilated * Dizzy or Sick? Seek Fresh Air! |
| Post 3 | **Using a generator?** Remember these safety tips:   * Place it outdoors at least 20 feet away from doors and windows. * Never use indoors or in garages. Stay informed to stay safe! | Generator Safety Tips   * Place Outdoors, 20 Feet Away * Never Use Indoors or in Garages |
| Post 4 | Have questions about heating safety? Contact the NC Division of Public Health at 919-707-5900. For resources on Hurricane Helene impacts, visit ncdhhs.gov/helene. | Heating Safety |
| Post 5 |  | Fire Safety  DO/DON"T image including this info:  **What NOT to burn:** Do not burn household trash (including cardboard, plastics, foam, magazines, boxes and wrappers), coated wood, painted wood, pressure-treated wood, driftwood, plywood, particle board, wood with any glue on it, wet or green wood, rotted wood, moldy wood, asbestos, rubber, manure or animal remains. These materials can release toxic or harmful chemicals when burned and may also damage your stove.  **What to burn:** Try to burn mainly dry, split, well-seasoned wood. Properly seasoned wood is darker, weighs less and sounds hollow when hit against another piece of wood. You can also use branches, sticks or limbs from fallen trees that are off the ground. Do not use wet or green wood. |