

**For more on drug related behaviors:**

[www.healthline.com/health/addiction/illicit-drugs](http://www.healthline.com/health/addiction/illicit-drugs)

National Institute on Drug Abuse

[www.drugabuse.gov](http://www.drugabuse.gov)

**For more on signs of a drug lab:**

[www.verywellmind.com](http://www.verywellmind.com)

**If you suspect a drug lab on your property contact:**

- Local Law Enforcement
- Anonymous Drug Lab Tip Line  
1-800-453-4756



Indiana State  
Department of Health

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Preventing Drug Labs on  
**RENTAL**  
Property



*Small changes can protect your investment*

# Be Aware

## To Avoid Costly Damage

### FACTS

- Over half of residential drug labs are found on rental property.
- Property owners are responsible for decontamination costs.

### When drug criminals operate on rental property, owners pay a high price:

- Loss of rent.
- Civil penalties.
- Damaged property.
- Decline in property values.
- Dangerous, threatening tenants.
- Resentful and angry neighbors.

# Take Action

## To Protect Your Property

### At the time of rental application:

- Ensure application is complete.
- Conduct background check:
  - Rental history.
  - Employment history.
  - Credit report.
  - Criminal background.
- Meet every adult moving into the unit and require picture identification.
- Be aware of applicant's appearance and behaviors.

### Regularly maintain your property:

- Drive by the property.
- Schedule visits with tenants.
- Talk with neighbors.